

Grace A Dow Memorial Library Board
Director's Report
October 14, 2010

Adult Services Activities

Sudi Kotecha, Reference Librarian, presented a book review program to the Literary Focus Book Club.

Katherine Redwine, Reference Librarian, organized a meeting with the Midland Genealogical Society members who volunteer at the library to discuss any issues or concerns. Computer training will be conducted on areas identified by the volunteers.

Youth Services Activities

Staff participated in the Picture Parent orientations held at the Midland Center for the Arts.

The Battle of the Books kickoff will be Saturday, November 13th with children's author Linda Sue Park. The schedule for the 2010-2011 Battle is on the library's website.

Virginia McKane with input from the Youth Services staff has developed the "Birthday Club" to encourage donations. With a \$15.00 donation, the library will purchase an age appropriate title to add to the children's collection. A special bookplate will be placed inside the book to honor the child. A "Happy Birthday" postcard will be sent when the book is received and processed. The forms will be available at the library and online by the beginning of November.

Other

The library did experience two power outages in October. Two story times had to be cancelled.

The library is participating in the "I Love My Library" Sweepstakes sponsored by Taped Editions. Everyone is invited to tell why they love their library through the website, www.TapedEditions.com. The library with the most votes by December 15th will receive a new audiobook collection valued at over \$500.00. There is link to the website on the library's web page.