

Librarian Report
June 5 2017

June is the beginning of the 2017 summer reading program, which kicks off June 17th with a visit from Modern Times Theater, a puppet and music-based performance due from Vermont. The performance is funded by VT Department of Libraries through a summer grant. Pam Jordan will continue playgroup through the summer and I'm hoping we can arrange another pre-K playgroup with a library volunteer. I have arranged to have one group from the Canaan summer school visit each day to read and enjoy some STEM-based activities.

I attended the Canaan Schools' Literacy Night last week to promote the summer reading program and connected with several parents. I also personally arranged two live Skype visits at the school by bestselling children's/YA authors Jodi Lynn Anderson and Ryan Gebhart during that week. Both speakers were responsive and informative. Often writers charge for such visits. Both writers talked to the kids at the school for free.

Robotics has started. We have two groups. The Monday group for rising grades 7-12 is full (14 people) and enthusiastic. The younger group (rising grades 4-6) had a lot of initial interest but a very small number of attendees. I believe much of this is due to sports practice overlap. I may change the meeting time and reach out again to the relevant ages through school (and Stewartstown).

VINS visited again (for the last time) and brought raptors to discuss nesting habits. Around 35 people attended, including about 20 kids.

Our playgroup had 18 kids in attendance on Friday June 2. It continues to thrive and grow.

I will be out of town on June 18 - 24th in Maine. I will make all necessary arrangements.