

the Director's desk...Brenda Williams

The random survey is over. A computer program selected which addresses the survey was sent to. I want to thank everyone who completed the survey and returned it to us. I also want to thank the Board of Trustee members and my staff who went door to door with the survey this past two weeks. We will not know until all the surveys are tabulated if we will be eligible to apply for the federal grant. For those of you who wanted to fill out a survey but did not have the address that the computer gave us, thanks for offering to fill one out.

The Board of Trustees has been working with Jack Faber of Hafer Designs on the library expansion. We hope to be able to present an architectural drawing to you within the next two months.

Thank you also goes to Toyota who donated 480 pairs of solar glasses to the library on Thursday, August 17th. We received them that evening and they were gone by 3pm on Friday.

We are celebrating the start of school, the completion of the random survey, and the beginning of fall programming with a fine forgiveness month. For the whole month of September, you can pay off your fine by bringing in non-perishable food items that have not expired and are in good condition, or toiletries of regular size toothpaste, soap, or 4 pack of toilet paper. For each item brought in the library will forgive \$1.00 of your fine. You could also decrease your fine by \$5.00 by bringing in a package of diapers. This only applies to past due fines and fines for overdue items that you are returning. It does not apply for fines on items checked out at other libraries or for replacement cost of lost items. The items collected will be given to the local Salvation Army Food Bank.

We will begin all youth programs the week of Labor Day. There will be after school programs on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday. Storytimes will be on Tuesday morning. Legos and simple crafts will be available on Saturdays. Please check the calendars for more details.

For the people who have been concerned about the state of Gibson County cemeteries, the library is having Jeannie Regan-Dinius from the Indiana Department of Natural Resources come to speak on cemetery care – the legal way on September 18th at 6pm.

Sue, who has been a fixture in the youth room since 1993, will be leaving the library in September to move to Florida with her family. Her last day of work will be September 14th.

September is fine forgiveness month!



\$1 per non-expired, non-perishable food item, full size toiletry (toothbrush, toothpaste, soap, deodorant), or 4 pack of unopened toilet paper donated.

Or

\$5 per package of unopened children's diapers donated.



The donations will be applied to fines from the Princeton Public Library only. (It does not apply to fines at other libraries or lost materials.)

**Canned goods and non-perishable items will be donated to the Salvation Army of Princeton.*

**New Technology
Open Lab Hours:
Tuesdays, 5:30-7:30pm
&
Second Saturday of every
month, 2-4pm.**

Youth Services...April Yockey

Hooray for back to school! We do miss the kids hanging out in the Youth Department all day but school time is still library time. Educators and parents partner with us to provide the books our students need to keep on that path to academic success. Please stop in frequently to keep your child well supplied this school year with fun and educational reading!

Our Fall programs for kids and teens will be resuming on Tuesday, September 5, and we are pleased to offer some new activities.

Monday:
3:30-4:45pm, STEAM room: Maker activities and SNACKS

Tuesday:
9:30-10:00am, Toddler Songs and Stories (2-3 year olds)
10:30-11:30am, Storytime and Crafts (4 and 5 year olds)
3:30-4:45pm, Games and SNACKS

Wednesdays:
3:30-4:45pm, Anime Club & SNACKS

Saturday:
10am-Noon, Crafty Kids- Self-serve craft activities
2:00-4:00pm, Lego Building Time

Great New Books! Check Them Out!
Biographies: *Ada's Ideas* by Fiona Robinson- the story of the world's first computer programmer. *Manfish* by Jennifer Berne- a picture book account of Jacques Cousteau's life and legacy.

New Graphic Novels: *Skylanders*, *Breadwinners*, *Nathan Hale's Hazardous Tales*.