

## YASD Meeting Minutes

January 10, 2008 10 – 11:30 a.m.

North Shore Public Library

Attendance=28

### 1. 2008 Board Introductions

- A. President- Candace Reeder, Northport-East Northport Public Library
- B. Vice President/President Elect and *Teen Talk* Editor- Tracy Van Dyne, Connetquot Public Library
- C. Secretary- Jennifer Chivvis, The Smithtown Library
- D. Treasurer- Margie Hartough, Half Hollow Hills Community Library
- E. Webmaster- Michelle Vagner, Northport-East Northport Public Library
- F. SCLS Liaison- Barbara Moon, SCLS YA Specialist
- G. Immediate Past President- Laura Panter, Middle Country Public Library

### 2. 2008 YA Related Meetings and Events

- A. February 7, 2008, 9 a.m.-12 p.m. at SCLS- Joint SCLS and Suffolk/Nassau YASD Meeting- Fun and Games in the Library and Eric Luper author visit
- B. March 5, 2008, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. at SCLS- Performers Showcase
- C. March 12, 2008, 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m. at Suffolk County Community College, Shea Theatre- James DeVita author visit
- D. March 22, 2008, time TBA at NYPL- Books for the Teen Age
- E. March 27, 2008, 9:30 a.m.-3 p.m. at Harborfields Library- Fran Romer Memorial Teen Services Workshop
- F. April 11, 2008, time TBA at Melville Marriott- NYLA YSS Conference
- G. May 8, 2008, time TBA at Crest Hollow Country Club- Long Island Library Conference
- H. June 12, 2008, time TBA at The Smithtown Library- YASD meeting
- I. September 11, 2008, time and location TBA- YASD meeting
- J. October 16, 2008, time and location TBA- YASD luncheon
- K. October 24, 2008, time TBA at Sheraton in Smithtown- Literature Conference
- L. November 13, 2008, time TBA at Port Jefferson Free Library- YASD meeting
- M. December 11, 2008, time TBA at Emma S. Clark Memorial Library- YASD meeting
- N. January 8, 2009, time and location TBA- YASD meeting

### 2. Teens and Technology

- A. Kathy Welch, North Shore Public Library
  - a. Sports game tournament using WII system- bought system (console plus 1 wand) and bought an additional bundle package with 3 wands. Large turnout with mixture of guys and girls. Tennis can play 4 at a time, faster moving rounds. Bowling and boxing can play 2 at a time, slower moving rounds. Will consider offering prizes for teens at next tournament.
  - b. Cell phone clinic- teens earn volunteer credit by assisting senior citizens with basic cell phone skills.
- B. Kate Riley, Bayport-Blue Point Public Library
  - a. Gaming Day- held for teens since 2006. Computer tech brings in gaming systems for teens to play games; provide food and gift cards for prizes. *Refer to handout 1.*
  - b. Teen Tech Week- various technology related programs including internet search skills and gaming. *Refer to handout 1.*
  - c. Teen Internet Café- grand opening held in January 2008 from 3-7 p.m. Place for teens to do homework or study, listen to music, play games, etc. Approx. 13 laptops for teens to use with parental permission. Frequency of Teen Internet Café to be determined. *Refer to handout 2.*
- C. Andrea Graham, South County Library
  - a. Uses the term “DIY” instead of “craft” programs- more gender neutral. Check online for some interesting DIY ideas (e.g. [www.etsy.com](http://www.etsy.com)) *Refer to handout 3.*
  - b. Gadget covers- measure and sew felt for customized gadget covers. Use heavy duty felt and

embroidery thread.

- c. Bitz and Botz- can use Fimo or Sculpty brand clay (can buy sampler packs at Michaels or other craft stores). Baking instructions included with clay. Teens can bake at Library if oven available or print baking instructions for teens to bake at home.
- d. Cell phone charm- can purchase kits in craft catalogs (e.g. Oriental Trading).
- e. Mecha Robot Models- snaps together, no glue. Starter kits for \$7-\$20 from Gundam- [www.gundamofficial.com](http://www.gundamofficial.com) or other online sites or hobby stores.
- f. Tech Headz- topics have included Runescape tournament, learn how to set up computer network, etc. Run inhouse by Computer Tech, Dominic.

D. Kerrilynn Hurley, Mastic-Moriches-Shirley Community Library

- a. Tech Fair- 10 Best Buy and Geek Squad representatives came to MMSCL for a free demonstration of tech-related items for all staff (librarians, clerks, pages, etc.), including gaming systems, iPhone, IPOD, HDTV's, etc. MMSCL also set up computer stations for staff to browse Facebook, MySpace, etc. It was a huge success and allowed staff to get a feel for new technologies. UTube clips available of staff playing Rock Band (keyword "MMSCL").
- b. Game On! The Internet Café Unplugged- set up 12 computers, 1TV, gaming systems, etc. Teens have Guitar Hero, DDR and Rock Band tournaments, etc. held 2 Fridays per month, call in advance if you would like to observe.
- c. Screen savers on TVs and computers throughout the Library promoting programs, services, etc.
- d. Circulate video games- 2 games per card for 1 week
- e. Second Life- library in process of creating a MMSCL Avatar.
- f. MMSCL has a Teen MySpace and Battle of the Books MySpace.

E. Laura LaSita, Riverhead Free Library

- a. Teens knit cell phone holders for Teen Tech Week. Mary Turnow is the program person.

F. Stefanie Gangone, Copiague Memorial Public Library

- a. DJ Academy- teens learn to DJ on full boards, 1.5 - 2 hour program, 20-25 kids. Company information can be found at [www.idjnow.com](http://www.idjnow.com)

G. Candace Reeder, Northport-East Northport Public Library

- a. Created an Internet Scavenger Hunt for teens to complete during Teen Tech Week. *Refer to handout 4.*

G. Some discussions and considerations with gaming

- a. Video/computer game ESRB ratings- permission slips required? Some suggested dividing room between teens with signed permission slips to play "mature" games (e.g. Halo) vs. teens allowed to play "everyone" rated games (e.g. Mario Kart Dash)

3. Mock Printz Workshop

- A. Committee comprised of Barbara Moon, Renee McGrath and other Suffolk and Nassau librarians selected 12 books published in 2007 based on literary merit for the workshop. Suffolk and Nassau librarians then gathered on January 4, 2008 to present book defenses and discuss the books. A vote was held and the winner was *The Absolutely True Diary of a Part Time Indian* by Sherman Alexie and the honor book was *Mistik Lake* by Martha Brooks. Stay tuned for the Printz Awards to be announced on January 14, 2008.

4. YA Listservs

- A. Some great listservs for program ideas, book discussions, ARC offers, etc. are Adbooks- [www.adbooks.org](http://www.adbooks.org) and YALSA-BK- <http://lists.ala.org/wvs/info/yalsa-bk>

5. Best Award

- A. Start thinking of teens to nominate. Librarians will be receiving paperwork shortly.

6. Treasurers Report

- A. Balance= \$1,872.12 as of 1/10/2008