June 2018- Outreach Report- Laurie Kodet

Book Bike

June 2nd: Riverwalk Market Fair- Rain- Cancelled
June 9th: Riverwalk Market Fair- Becky – (1 hour-5 visitors- rain again)
June 13th: Old Memorial Pool- Summer Reading Promotion – (gave out 60 handouts)
June 16th: Riverwalk Market Fair-Rain- Cancelled
June 23th: Riverwalk Market Fair- 63 visitors, 15 story-time attendees

The weather finally cooperated on June 23rd, which enable library staff to have the book bike at the Riverwalk for the scheduled length of time. The book bike had many visitors and we were able to present our first storytime. Library volunteer, Gretchen did a great job entertaining the children. We hope to have many more sunny Saturday mornings.

Bookmobile

June 2nd: East Cannon River Trail opening (City Event)– 22 people
June 13th: Books & Stars – 120 people
June 19th: Northfield YMCA – 70 children, 7 camp counselors
June 19th: Tuesdays in the Park- 35 people, 4 library cards issued
June 20th: Books & Stars – Cancelled- rain
June 21st: Bring out the Vote – 50 people, discussed City ID program, distributed brochures and applications
June 26th: Tuesdays in the Park – 42 people, 1 library card issued

Layna and library volunteer, Ann visited the Northfield YMCA to promote the Summer Reading Program and Books & Stars. Seven groups of children toured the bookmobile and enjoyed a storytime.

Despite the rain, many people came out to visit the bookmobile at the first Tuesdays in the Park event of the summer. Angelica was able to not only able check out library materials and issue library cards but also answer questions about the City ID program. This collaboration with Growing Up Healthy is off to a fabulous beginning.

I accompanied Angelica on June 26th on the bookmobile at Tuesdays in the Park and it was a wonderful experience. Immediately upon our arrival, children were knocking on the bookmobile door wanting to come in. It was so fun to see children waiting and so excited to come on the bus. Angelica spent time mingling with people and promoting the summer reading program and Books & Stars. Her Spanish language skills are essential for this outreach to be successful – we are so lucky to have her! She does such a great job engaging people and making them feel welcome.