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## Birds of a Feather: Computer Q&A: Holiday Edition — 5 attendees

Ron Kirsop answered computer questions and discussed the year's most popular gadgets.

#### **Announcements**

### Lauren (PLS):

- Introduced Ron Kirsop as PLS's new Consultant Librarian
- December 20th is Jeanna Ruter's last day as Director of Avon Free Library. She was in the position for 25 years. Jeanna introduced Rebecca Budinger-Mulhearn, Avon's new Director.

### Kathryn (PLS):

• System Meeting Refreshment List. Please sign up to bring refreshments to 2014 System Meetings.

### Ron (PLS):

• Library Vision Focus Groups. Ron will be organizing focus groups in each of PLS's four counties to evaluate the kind of system services needed to meet the future needs of our member libraries. Library directors, staff, and trustees are all invited to participate. If you'd like to host a Library Vision Focus Group at your library, please contact Ron.

#### Beth (GPL):

 Beth has accepted a position as the Director of Libraries at the Strong. Her last day at Geneva Public Library will be January 20<sup>th</sup>.

# **Best Books of 2013**

Attendees shared their favorite books of 2013.

### Kelley (CAN) - "Fave YA Fiction"

- Dream Thieves by Maggie Stiefvater
- Scarlet by Marissa Meyer
- Siege and Storm by Leigh Bardugo
- Rose Under Fire by Elizabeth Wein
- Eleanor & Park by Rainbow Rowell
- How to Lead a Life of Crime by Kristen Miller

## Read more book reviews by Kelley at:

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#### Patricia (PAL) - Favorite Audiobooks

- Louise Penny
- Good House by Ann Leary
- Alexander McCall Smith
- Sisterland by Curtis Sittenfield
- Sweet Tooth by Ian McEwan
- Graveyard Book and Ocean at the End of the Lane by Neil Gaiman
- Other attendees recommended And the Mountains Echoed by Khaled Hosseini, Life After Life by Kate Atkinson, All Girls Filling Station by Fannie Flagg

## <u>Lauren Moore (PLS)</u> - Bestgri Books for Book Snobs

- The Flamethrowers by Rachel Kushner
- & Sons by David Gilbert
- All That Is by James Salter
- Tenth of December by George Saunders
- The Color Master by Aimee Bender

## Anne Rehor (ONT) - Best Children's Books

- Flora and the Flamingo by Molly Idle
- Mo's Mustache by Ben Clanton
- How to Bicycle to the Moon to Plant Sunflowers by Mordicai Gerstein
- Gone Fishing: A Novel in Verse by Tamera Will Wissinger
- Grimm Conclusion by Adam Gidwitz
- Rose Under Fire by Elizabeth Wein
- Bad Unicorn by Platte F. Clark

#### Lindsay (PLS)

• Krampus: the Yule Lorde by Brom

#### Lisa (WAR) - Graphic Novels for Adults

- Hyperbole and a Half by Allie Brosh
- Marbles by Ellen Forney

### Angel (SS) - Best Book Trailer

• School for Good and Evil by Soman Chainani

#### Some Non-Fiction Recommendations:

- Sticks and Stones by Emily Bazelon
- One Summer: America, 1927 by Bill Bryson

## **PLS Trivia**

Lindsay and Kathryn (PLS) hosted a fun trivia game with questions about PLS stats, history, and people.

Dish-to-Pass Luncheon followed.