

## Director's Report – August 2013

1. Through a partnership with Washtenaw County Parks and Recreation, AADL hosted a Life-Sized Angry Birds program at the Meri Lou Murray Recreation Center, serving approximately 400 persons. Families were able to experience a real life interpretation of Angry Birds, one of the world's most popular games. We saw people who hadn't before attended library programming as well as many of our regular program attendees. Jon Keith, our partner representative at the Meri Lou Murray Recreation Center, said that it was clearly a well-planned event, and that they'd be open to repeating this event again, or to do something else with them in the future.
2. Associate Director Celeste Choate was one of 11 librarians (and the only public librarian) to receive a \$1300 Sewell Stipend from the Public Health/Health Administration section of the Medical Library Association to attend the American Public Health Association's Annual Meeting. She will be co-presenting a paper with MICHHR's Adam Paberzs, "Combining science and community benefit: The community engagement coordinating council pilot grant review process".  
<https://apha.confex.com/apha/141am/webprogram/Paper292025.html>
3. This year's 8th Annual AADL Lego Contest featured 185 entries across 6 age categories, from preschool to adult, and awarded 66 awards to the most outstanding work in each category. Over 500 people attended the awards ceremony at Kensington Court. The adult category included a 1st prize model of a Koi pond with life-size heron, and a 2nd prize model of Blimpie Burger complete with snow bears and a long line of customers. A winning Preschool model featured a Lego Laura Ingalls Wilder, and the winning 3-5th grade entry was a giant Go Blue Football bot that played "The Victors".
4. Summer Game wraps up August 30th and has passed 3500 online players in addition to thousands of paper game players. Over 500 players have earned the Josie's Catfish Badge, and we're closing in on 50 million points earned through reading, watching, listening and searching for codes at our buildings, community spaces, and online.