# Public Service Update for Board of Trustees Meeting: May 15, 2024

# **Program Update**

# **Recent Programs:**

#### ComicCon

Another great event with strong attendance - approx 300 throughout the day.

# **New & Upcoming Programs:**

#### **Summer Reading Program**

Registration officially launches on May 15; many outreach events with schools are upcoming to boost registration. Programs begin in June, including a family concert with Jim Gil on June 15 and the Acuity Kick-off Carnival for teens on June 18.

### Other:

# A Joyous Way to Learn with Jim Gill: Professional Development Workshop for Early Childhood Educators

Mead is hosting Jim Gill for a professional development workshop for early childhood educators **June 14 9:30 - 12:30**; currently nearly 60 teachers and librarians from all over Wisconsin are registered to attend.

In this energizing session Jim shares examples of his award-winning songs and musical books that combine opportunities for active movement with word play and rhymes. He also discusses:

- How music play inspires young children not only to move, but to regulate their movements.....not only to sing, but to make connections between the words they sing and the printed word and world of numbers.
- How music play can help create an inclusive environment for children with special needs and from all different backgrounds.

#### SASD Grade Class Visits:

• We have 17 SASD classes booked for library field trips May 14- Jun 6, 2024; approx 700 total students.