



**WOOD LIBRARY 5K, FUN RUN & STORY WALK
GENERATES FUNDS AND EXCITEMENT FOR SUMMER READING**
Participants from as far away as California, Texas, and Florida run for Wood Library

Wood Library’s fourth annual 5K, Fun Run and Story Walk raised over \$8,000 for the library’s summer youth programs. 180 runners from as far away as California, Texas, Florida, and from all over the Rochester and Finger Lakes regions participated in the event which was held at Canandaigua’s community library on Saturday, July 14, 2018.

The 5K race male/female top finishers were Andrew Bucci (Rochester, NY) with a time of 17:47 and Caroline Bucci (Rochester, NY) with a time of 22:07. The Fun Run male/female top finishers were: Jack Spanagel (Canandaigua, NY) with a time of 5:43 and Elainna Nearpass (Canandaigua, NY) with a time of 7:13.

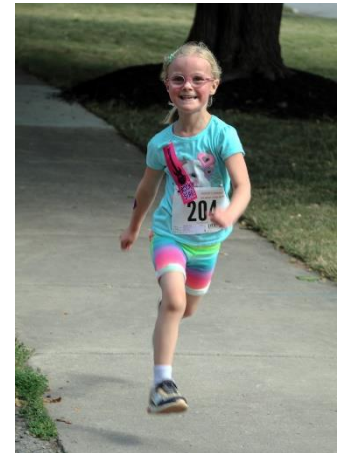


Medals and prizes were presented to the top 5K finishers in each age group. Several people completed their very first 5K race. Craig Ross of Canandaigua placed first among library trustees and Ulana Fuller of Canandaigua placed first among library employees.



“We are very pleased with the community’s response to this event,” exclaimed Library Director Jenny Goodemote. “We are especially grateful to our sponsors who help make this a profitable fundraiser for the library.” Sponsors included: Friends of Wood Library, Mobile Music, Potter Heating & Cooling, Oasis Acres, Wegmans Food Markets, Paul and Maggie Bringewatt, Eye Care Center, Finger Lakes Dental, Our Children’s Place, The Brocklebank

Firm, Five Star Bank, Gary and Christine Henahan, Peter and Peggy Kane, Lyons National Bank, Mitchell Pierson Realtors, Pampered Parents, Lindsay Pennise, Reliant Community Federal Credit Union, and Geoff Hallstead DMD.



A race-day raffle featured 20 baskets with items donated by library supporters. Other activities included a Main St. StoryWalk featuring Jarrett J. Krosoczka’s “Punk Farm,” a musical petting zoo sponsored by Mobile Music, Tornado T’s, glitter tattoos, music, and sidewalk chalk.

Proceeds from this event support the library’s summer youth programs. Reading clubs, teen game and movie nights, crafting programs, author visits, a writer’s workshop, the Wildlife Rockstars, Lego programs, Pajama storytimes, waffle workshops, and musical sing-a-longs are just a few of the dozens of activities planned for youth at Wood Library through the month of August.



For more information about Wood Library, go to www.woodlibrary.org or call 585-394-1381.