

**2008 MHLS Youth Services Department Report Outline  
MHLS Board of Trustees Meeting  
Wednesday, September 17, 2008**

**A. 2008 Summer Reading Program**

- a. Themes: Catch the Reading Bug – younger children & Metamorphosis @ Your Library – teens
- b. Statistics, programs presented
- c. Use of State funds given to MHLS to support member libraries' summer reading efforts
- d. Workshops offered by YS Department
- e. Ways libraries reach out to communities

**B. Traveling Pants Project**

- a. Based on popular teen novels
- b. Rotating project among libraries
- c. Activities libraries undertook

**C. 2008 Battle of the Books**

- a. Libraries involved
- b. Coordination process
- c. Focus of program
- d. Sponsorships to defray costs
- e. Cooperation of area schools

**D. Fall into Books Children's and Teen Literature Conference**

- a. Collaborative effort among seven public and school library systems
- b. Nature of program
- c. Reaction of attending librarians
- d. Resulting partnerships