



PO Box 700
Jamestown, NY 14702-0700
Phone (716) 661-1680
Fax (716) 661-1617

**ELECTRIC
DISTRICT HEAT
WATER
WASTEWATER
SOLID WASTE**

For immediate release
Information: Becky Robbins 661-1680

August 15, 2018

BPU Personnel Visit “Children of the Book” Summer Program

Jamestown Board of Public Utilities (BPU) personnel paid a recent visit to the “Children of the Book Reading Camp” to discuss the importance of recycling and the BPU recycling program.

Communications Coordinator Becky Robbins introduced Garbage Hotline staff member Gloria Miranda and Recycling Employee Chris Coniff to the group of students entering fourth through sixth grades. Robbins showed how the orange recycling bins work to lower solid waste bills for residents who recycle, while Miranda explained what happens to recycling after it leaves the BPU recycling bins. Coniff demonstrated the recycling truck and how it scans recycling bins. Products manufactured with recycled materials were displayed.

The reading camp is volunteer-based and connects the students with the community through weekly-themed units and partner reading with adults from the community. The program, held at St. Luke’s Church, is designed to inspire students and parents to read together each day, to enhance literary skills and to celebrate the community. Students are evaluated at the beginning and at the end of the summer session to measure achievement.

According to program co-directors Cherie Burke and Kali Rinaldo, a goal of the program is to enrich the lives of the children over the summer while promoting literacy and learning. Meals spent with families is also encouraged, so the program provides breakfast and lunch to both campers and their families.

For more information about the Children of the Book Summer Program, contact St. Luke’s Church at 483-6405.