Amanda Park Timberland Library
2013 Action Plan

Services, Programs & Outreach:
• Continue to engage kids with books and art extensions by maintaining our monthly cooperative programs and interactions with local schools, Head Start programs, and other local agencies during the school year.

• Recruit and involve more volunteers for monthly K-4 class visits to the library.

• Provide monthly after school drop-in programs for children and teens at the library.

• Continue to host public programming for teens and adults that reflects the needs and interest of the local community.

• Continue to develop staff knowledge and service skills with special attention to reader’s advisory.

• Develop and institute strategies to advertise the depth and breadth of library resources.

• Continue to reach out to underserved groups with library programs.

Partnerships:
• Continue to collaborate with area Head Start programs to ensure their connection to the local library and support early literacy skills and habits.

• Develop in conjunction with Lake Quinault Museum and Lake Quinault School an educational/historical story time tour of the Museum.

• Explore opportunities with local businesses and resorts to partner and increase services to both local and tourist populations.

Accomplishments: January – June 2013:

Services Programs & Outreach:
• January through May saw grades K-3 down from Lake Quinault School for library story time visits once a month. Manager B. Pederson did outreach visits to Queets Clearwater Elementary School once a month and visits to Queets and Taholah Head Start programs every other month.
• DIY crafts for all ages, readily available on the Teen Space table, have become popular with after school kids and families out on weekend holidays.

• Based on local interest and investment in community veterans, a cooperative program with the Lake Quinault Museum and Lake Quinault Lodge was planned for Armed Forces Day, May 18th. It was a successful program with just over 90 attendees.

• All three of us AM employees are now using GoodReads to track our reading and get new reading suggestions. Reading online book related blogs (example: earlyword.com) is encouraged.

• In a monthly e-mail newsletter to the school and other interested community members, I have begun highlighting our research databases. Last month I advertised Ed2Go and have received lots of positive feedback.

• Working on outreach advertising to seasonal employees, travelers, and local Spanish speaking community.

Partnerships:

• Recipient of EAOP (Early Achievers Outreach Partnership) Grant to partner with local ESSS (Early Steps to School Success) Parent-Child group. The library will purchase a Block Play set and attend the Parent-Child group with the set. Activity and questioning suggestions that encourage the connection of constructive play with early learning will be reviewed with the group over the course of three meetings this summer.

• For the second year in a row, Manager B. Pederson will be doing weekly “Campfire Tales” during the month of July at the Lake Quinault Lodge.

• Attended a local Quinault Innkeepers Association meeting and highlighted library resources relevant to travelers.