

## Tween Program 2017

The summer of 2017 saw the Milo Library host its first Tween Program. This program was geared towards kids ages 10-14. It ran on Thursday afternoons from 2-4 pm. The idea behind this program was to give kids who were too old for the Summer Reading Program, a time to come and participate in fun games and challenges with their peers.

One of the more popular activities was called “Water Balloon Volleyball”. All of the participants are split up into pairs, and each pair is given a beach towel. They are then given a water balloon, and using their beach towel, they have to launch the water balloon over the net to the other team. Every time the water balloon touches the ground and either does or doesn’t break, the team that threw it gets a point. The results can be seen in the pictures to the right.

A second activity that was quite entertaining was called “Slimeball”. Plastic cups were set up in the sand, and the participants had to throw plastic balls that were half filled with solid silly putty into the cups. Every time the participant didn’t get the ball into the cup, they could take one step forward until they did get it in. Since the weight in these “slime balls” isn’t evenly distributed, accurately aiming them wasn’t always successful. This led to a few frustrations, as the kids couldn’t understand why they weren’t able to hit the cups. The pictures below showcase “Slimeball”.



Overall, the activities we participated in were quite fun, and the kids enjoyed themselves.

Attendance for the program was consistent. I hope that there will be increased interest in the program next year.

Have a great rest of your summer!

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