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Oak Park District 97 Board Members,

Dear Board Members,

Thank you for all you do to support the students and teachers of District 97. Once again, I am making a donation of books to the District 97 School Libraries.

I am donating books from the 2014 Jane Addams Children's Book Award list. I do this every year in honor and in memory of my mother and my mother's cousin who both worked for peace, justice, freedom and equality. My hope is that the children and teachers in District 97 will enjoy these books and be inspired by them.

The winning picture book for 2014 was *Brave Girl: Clara and the Shirtwaist Makers' Strike of 1909* by Michelle Markel. The honor books were *We Shall Overcome: The Story of a Song* by Debbie Levy and *Razia's Ray of Hope: One Girl's Dream of an Education* by Elizabeth Suneby.

The winning book for older students was *Sugar* by Jewell Parker Rhodes. The honor books were *Seeing Red* by Kathryn Erskine and *Brotherhood* by A. B. Westrick.

I got a total of 12 books which came to a \$173.30 donation. There are now several copies of each of these books throughout the District 97 libraries.

I wish you all a wonderful and productive end to the 2014-15 school year and thank you for your dedication.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Judy Chrisman".

Judy Chrisman
retired D97 teacher librarian