

## Gutman-Scieszka-Kraatz!

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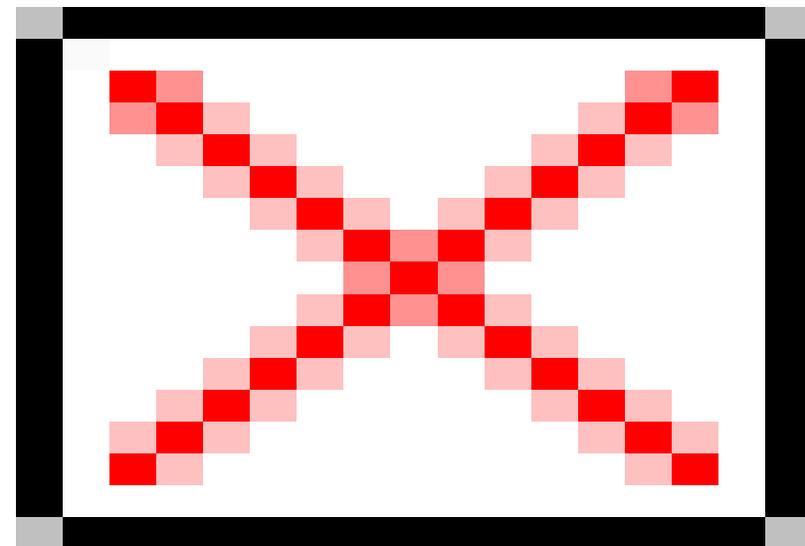
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What a busy past few weeks we've had! Lots of changes going on in the library with the Adult Services renovation - check out their new blog for [remodeling news and updates](#).

#### Gutman-Scieszka-Kraatz!

Last week a few of our Youth staff members and librarians had the pleasure of meeting Mr. Dan Gutman, Mr. Jon Scieszka, and Mr. Jeramey Kraatz at our highly anticipated author event. The authors talked a lot about the books they've written, as well as the importance of reading, which we gerbils definitely agree with!



Dan Gutman gave a preview of [awful, horrible] events in his new series, [The Genius Files](#) - we gerbils would certainly not like to be characters in any of those books! If we were, Mr. Gutman would probably have something awful and terrible happen to us just like the main characters in the book, Coke and Pepsi. The worst thing we can think of that he could write about happening to us is NO MORE FOOD FOREVER. We don't even like to *think* about that, let alone read about it - so we will stay readers of your books rather than characters, please, Mr. Gutman.

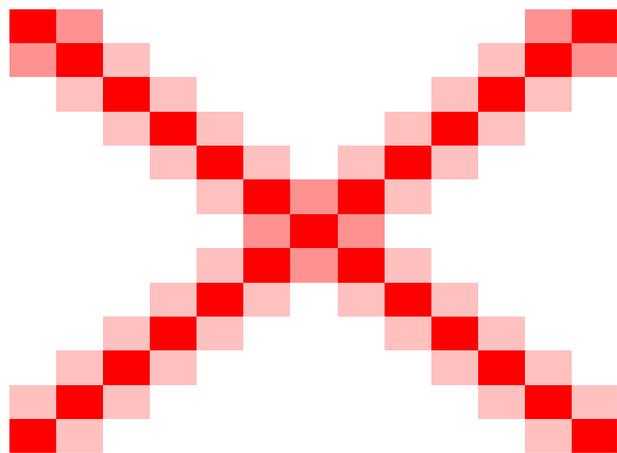


Jeramey Kraatz doesn't look too excited about any of the things on Mr. Gutman's list, either!

Jon Scieszka spoke about his literacy movement, [GuysRead](#), dedicated to reaching reluctant guy readers everywhere. (Our librarians are big fans.) He talked about the [Guys Read Library of Great Reading](#), a series of short story books focused on different genres. These books are great for everyone - you can dip in and out and in and out of the book because of all the awesome short stories! If you don't like one... skip ahead to the next.



Jeramey Kraatz, a brand-new author we gerbils think you all will **love**, talked about his new (and first) book, called [The Cloak Society](#). He's a big comic-book fan, which is partially what inspired him to write this novel - from the *villain's* point of view! Definitely check out the book & pay attention to Mr. Kraatz, we gerbils think you'll just love him.



A Kraatz fan gets his book signed.

Watch this video of the authors' memorable entrance to the program (future musicians, for sure) and check our Facebook page for [more photos](#). Thank you again to the Lake Forest Book Store, Elm Place, our librarians, and of course the three authors for this wonderful event!

### 125th Anniversary

Make sure to watch the 125th anniversary documentary - can you spot one of our librarians?

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