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Three time winners!

Library teens win national video contest—again

With the help of the Georgetown Library, two local teens have turned their love of books into a riveting mini movie, and won a national prize for the third time.

Wyatt Hester and Sean England Morris shot an action-packed, futuristic video called “A Nod to Orwell,” in which a valiant group of teens save books in a computer-run world. The video was made for the Collaborative Summer Library Program, whose contest urged teens to make a video celebrating summer reading.



This video competition is in its fourth year, and each participating state selected one winning video to be named the official CSLP Teen Video Challenge state winner. Twenty-six states and over one hundred teens participated in the creation of these winning videos.

“Congratulations to the other state winners,” Hester said. “There are so many different ideas, and you can tell the teens had fun making them. I know I really enjoyed editing this year—we explored a lot of different special effects.”

The teens won a cash prize, and \$125 for the library’s summer reading program. Shelia Sullivan, Children’s Librarian, couldn’t be more pleased.

“Our summer reading program has events for kids and teens,” she said. “So our talented directors – and the scores of young actors – were helping to enhance their own summer events!”

Hester and Morris acted in the video when they weren’t directing, and are grateful to library video teacher Heather Pelham and parents who helped get the actors where they had to be.

“This was a team effort for sure,” said Morris. “Thanks to our actors: Shakira Deas, Niah S. Elder, Hunter Lee, Rowan Pelham, Alexander Pelham, and Harrison Pelham.”

To see the video, go to: <http://youtu.be/JYvKoqsu3Vw>. The video is also posted on the Georgetown County Library website and Facebook page.



Photos: (top) Sean England Morris and Wyatt Hester fan a giant book fire in a scene from their video. (bottom) Alexander Pelham acts as one of the teens who save books in the video.