

**October RECAP**

<u>Program</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Audience</u>	<u>0-5 yrs.</u>	<u>6-12 yrs.</u>	<u>13-17 yrs.</u>	<u>18+ yrs.</u>	<u>Total</u>
Storytime	11/02	0-5 yrs.	3			3	6
Storytime	11/9	0-5 yrs.	4			3	7
Storytime	11/16	0-5 yrs.	3			2	5
Storytime (Stuffy Sleep Over pick up)	11/23	0-12 yrs.					28
Storytime	11/30	0-5 yrs.	2			1	3
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Perry Elementary Classroom Visit	11/16	6-12 yrs.					14
Taste of Art	11/21	10+ yrs.		1	2		3
Teen Advisory Group (TAB)	11/29	13+ yrs.			3		3
Stuffy Sleep Over	11/29	0-12 yrs.	3	8	3		14
Perry Elementary Classroom Visit	11/30	6-12 yrs.					10
Make-and-Take: Tangrams	11/1-8	3-10 yrs.					20
Make-and-Take: Bird Feeders	11/9-22	3-10 yrs.					40
Make-and-Take: Bead Insects	11/23	3-10 yrs.					10
Make-and-Take: Dinosaur	11/28-11/30	3-10 yrs.					10
Scavenger Hunt: Dinosaurs	All month	0-10 yrs.					34

- November was DINOvember with dinosaur themed stories, activities, and make-and-take crafts.
- Pottery was November's art medium for the Taste of Art series. On November 21<sup>st</sup>, Coppa Co facilitated a virtual field trip to their pottery studio where students learned about the science around pottery and clay, throwing pottery on a wheel, and the firing process before making their own pinch pots. Their pots will be fired, glazed, and returned for the spring's art exhibit.
- Storytime participation increased this month as we read about dinosaurs and created dinosaur themed crafts like dinosaur hats and dinosaur habitats. (Ask Chris Nolan about her hat.)
- The Teen Advisory Board played an integral part during the Stuffy Sleepover. They helped the little ones with drop off and with the pictures after we closed. Shout out to the A-Team!

- Patrons (under 12 yrs. old) dropped off a stuffed friends to sleep at the library on November 22<sup>nd</sup>. At drop-off they filled out a name tag with their stuffy's name and address and completed a graphic organizer all about their stuffed friend. The Children's Library had pint-sized tents and sleeping bags for them to borrow and after the library closed the stuffed animals (and TAB members) had some fun. A special storytime was held the next morning for patrons to pick up their stuffed friends from their sleepover at the library. Patrons wore their pajamas, heard a few stories, watched a slide show of the previous evening's activities, and took home a craft kit to do with their stuffies. We had a great turn out and feedback. This is definitely an event we will host again. Be sure to check out the video from that evening on Facebook or at the Circulation Desk.

## **FACILITIES/ COLLECTION**

- We added several new non-fiction books and YA graphic novels to the collection this month.
- Due to the mold discovered behind the toilet in the downstairs bathroom, the dry wall has been removed and the outside leak addressed. The bathroom will remain closed until the drywall and toilet can be re-installed.
- The downstairs bathroom closure has magnified the need to have a non-gendered bathroom to make our patrons feel safe and respected.

## **PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT**

- OWWL Youth Services Committee Meeting, November 8<sup>th</sup>
- *Cultivating Affirmation & Belonging for LGBTQIA+ Youth with the Kaleidoscope Youth Center* hosted by CSLP's Inclusion Committee, November 22<sup>nd</sup>

## **FUTURE PLANS**

- Our next TAB meeting will be on December 29<sup>th</sup> from 1:30 to 4:00 pm.
- A family movie marathon is planned for December 28<sup>th</sup>. We will show both *Frozen* movies in the Gallery, starting with the original at 12:15 pm. While enjoying the movies, families can also create a one-of-a-kind candle holder, decorative jar, or water bead bottle. We had great feedback from the creepy Halloween bottles, that we added a *Frozen* inspired twist to create this event. All supplies will be provided, but if you have a favorite old bottle, clean it up and bring it to decorate!
- I talked with members of the planning committee about being involved with December events at the PCSD. The committee met last week and will keep me posted/in mind when planning.
- A participant from this summer's D&D event shared that he started 2 D&D groups at Letchworth Middle/High School this year after attending our event. He and I are going to talk about the possibility of starting a middle school campaign over the summer.

## **OUTREACH**

- I read dinosaur stories to Ms. Warner and Ms. Stead's self-contained classrooms twice this month.
- I am working with the PCSD 1<sup>st</sup> grade teachers to plan a field trip to the library in December to learn about how to borrow a book from the library to correlate with their latest ELA unit.
- I met with the new PSCD school librarian and am looking forward to collaborating with her in the future.