

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	12/7	0-5 yrs.	2			2	4	
Storytime	12/14	0-5 yrs.	1			1	2	
Storytime	12/21	0-5 yrs.					0	
Storytime	12/28	0-12 yrs.	7	1		3	11	
1 st Grade field trip to the library	12/14	6-12 yrs.					66	
Sensory Santa: Outreach	12/21	5-12 yrs.					45	
Perry Elementary Classroom Visit	12/23	6-12 yrs.	school cancelled due to blizzard					
Frozen Movie Marathon	12/28	6-12 yrs.	3	3	0	2	8	
Frozen Inspired Crafty Bottles	12/28	0-18+	4	3	0	3	10	
Teen Advisory Group (TAB)	12/29	13+ yrs.			2		2	
Take Home Storytime in a Bag: 3 picture books w/ 3 activities	12/21-12/31	0-5 yrs.					1	
Make-and-Take: Bird Feeders	12/1-12/10	3-10 yrs.					10	
Make-and-Take: Roll a Snowman	12/12-12/21	3-10 yrs.					10	
Make-and-Take: Winter Break Scavenger Hunt	12/22-12/31	3-10 yrs.					8	
In-house Scavenger Hunt: Winter	All month	0-10 yrs.					28	

- On December 28th we held a family movie marathon showing both of Disney's *Frozen* movies using our Swank movie license. We had families show up and stay for both movies. The glittery bottles and candle holders the patrons made while watching the movie turned out spectacular, with the water beads being the biggest hit with our youngest crafters. Having a movie playing for the children in the background allowed the adults to also craft for a little while; this was noted, appreciated, and requested for a future program.
- Storytime attendance dwindled as the weather got colder. It will move to virtual for January and resume in-person at the same day and time, Wednesdays at 11:15 am, on February 1st.
- I met with a teen patron about *Discord*, personalizing our *YouTube* channel, and possibly starting a summer teen technology interest group.

- Members of TAB came to the library on December 29th and created 2023 prediction/manifest BINGO boards using a variety of craft supplies and *Canva*. We will meet again in February.

OUTREACH

- At the Sensory Santa community event held on December 21st, a teen volunteer and I helped children paint paper mittens in a sensory sensitive manner using marbles in a bag.
- I attended a PCSD Outreach Committee meeting. Two resource fairs will be held before the end of the school year. E. Warner and I met to work on plans for her table that will be at the January fair and I reached out to WXXI on behalf of the Committee. There will be another fair in the spring where I plan to have a library resources table for the target audience.
- Four 1st grade classrooms came to the library for a field trip. Students rotated through stations where they heard a story, decorated a mitten, practiced writing their name, learned about the sections of the library, and selected a book to bring back to the classroom to share with their peers. This field trip correlates with PCSD's newly adopted ELA curriculum and was such a success that the teachers and principal have requested that it be a yearly event.

FACILITIES/ COLLECTION

- Winter books are on display in the Children's Library and it is decorated with mittens that patrons created this month at multiple events.
- A few of the featured authors from the Virtual Author Talk series write for Young Adults and we have their books in our collection.
- Wooden supports have been installed in some of the picture book bookcases to address the sloping top and increase the stability of the shelves.
- The wall in the back corner of the library, that was damaged by flooding in 2021, has been repaired. The molding needs to be replaced to fill in the remaining gaps and the wall painted.
- The downstairs bathroom is still closed.

FUTURE PLANS

- *Snoozer Virtual Storytime Adventure* will return in the month of January. Every Wednesday morning in January, a new video will be released on our *YouTube* channel. Each Snoozer Storytime has a read aloud and a correlating craft tutorial. Materials for the crafts can be downloaded from our website or picked up each week from the library. There are four storytimes in total.
- Our Taste of Art series resumes on January 30th from 4:30 to 6 pm with acrylic painting. Glass fusion taught by Jill Rossborough from *ArtSmart Studios* will be on February 27th from 5 to 6 pm. Both classes are for patrons ages 10 to 18 years old and registration is required.
- Take Your Child to the Library Day is February 4th. (So is Ice Cream for Breakfast Day.)
- In January, I am planning to use some PTO and begin Summer Reading Program plans.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

- CSLP 2023 Summer Reading Symposium, December 8th
- Diversify Your Library Services Through Sensory Spaces, December 13th