

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>
Friendship Bracelets	7/6	13+			4		4
TOA Mandalas	7/11	10+			7		7
Build All Together Now! With Lego	7/12	0-18	5	4	4	3	11
Paint Magnetic Canvas	7/13	0-18	2	6	2	3	13
Let's Read All Together Now!	7/18	0-12	7	2	1	4	14
Build All Together Now! With Lego	7/19	0-18		8	1		9
Aquarium in a bottle	7/20	0-18	5	16	4	5	30
Let's Read All Together Now	7/25	0-12	3	3	1	4	11
Emperor's New Groove movie & Llama Looms	7/26	0-18	1	5	2	3	11
In-house Scavenger Hunt: Art School of Fish	6/22-7/1	0-10 yrs.					50
In-house Scavenger Hunt: Families Reading	7/2-7/14	0-10 yrs.					45
In-house Scavenger Hunt: Beatles	7/15-7/31	0-10 yrs.					51

- Summer reading has been a great success so far! We have had an increase in participation over last summer in all age groups. A more comprehensive Summer Reading Program report will be included in the September board report after all programs conclude.
- Tracking reading ended July 21st and our raffle winners were announced July 26th. Thank you to The Butter Meat Co for donating \$10 ice cream gift cards to raffle off weekly. Thank you also to Tompkins Bank of Perry, who donated four \$25 gift cards to local businesses which were raffled off as end-of-summer raffle prizes. They were a great motivator for patrons of all ages.
- Julia Stewart-Bittle was our last Taste of Art visiting artist. On July 11th, she guided the patrons in creating a mandala on black paper using a white pencil.
- Our aquarium in a bottle program was a huge success! It has been our most popular program yet with standing room only in the gallery and patrons waiting in the Children's room for a seat to open up. Luckily Annabelle and Rhiannon, two members of our teen advisory group (TAB), came to volunteer their time to help during this program. Thank you, ladies!

OUTREACH

- I helped at the Farmer's Market at the Read Around Perry booth the weekend of the Chalk Festival. We rewarded participants with a prize and a free book for playing a game. I passed out our calendar of events and talked to community members about our Summer Reading Program.

- We are distributing approximately 35 free lunches to area youth daily. Lunches are available on Mondays through Thursdays from 12:15 to 1:30 pm until August 10th. The majority of families take their lunches to go, but we have had a steady group of new friends that have enjoyed eating together at the library. The Free Summer Lunch program's benefits far surpass just feeding our young patrons. A HUGE thank you to the Rotarian volunteers who are transporting the lunches to and from Mt. Morris this summer. This program is only made possible through their help.
- Julie from M&T Bank came to read stories to patrons on July 25th.

FACILITIES/ COLLECTION

- The titles on the fall and spring Page Turner lists have been ordered. They will be marked with identifying stickers for easy retrieval.
- Books that have not circulated in many years were identified and reviewed for weeding in the juvenile collection. This cleared up a lot of space on the shelves and I now have a more focused list of topics that could use a refresh in our nonfiction collection.
- The library continues to be a very popular place for our pre-teen and teen patrons in the afternoons. They come in to enjoy the AC, Wi-Fi, cocoa, and each other's company. It is awesome the turn to us for somewhere to go and reiterates the need for a dedicated clerk scheduled downstairs after 3 pm, in addition to Saturdays.
- The dehumidifier has not been working properly and is affecting the condition of our new soft cover books. A temporary one has been acquired while a decision is made regarding a permanent solution.
- The skylight in the Gallery is beautiful, but poses a lighting issue when we try to show a movie. This summer we got a new projector that has greatly improved the movie quality. A huge thank you to the Friends of the Library group for donating the funds to purchase our new projector and the appropriate public performance rights. Our patrons really enjoy movies in the gallery and the new projector makes a significant difference.

FUTURE PLANS

- On Aug 2nd from 2-4 pm, we will hold an interactive movie experience for patrons between the ages of 8 and 18 years old. We will watch Disney's Z*O*M*B*I*E*S and follow along with a fun script of things to do, such as shake your pompoms, and things to eat, such as watermelon sour patch candies to give the zombies a boost of power. All props and snacks are provided. Members of our teen advisory group (TAB) will attend to help facilitate the movie and interactions.
- The Seneca Park Zoomobile is coming August 9th! Due to the number of attendees expected, we will hold the program outside and encourage patrons to bring lawn chairs. If the weather is poor or too hot for the animals, a consideration with the Zoomobile, we will have to move to the Stowell-Wiles Art Gallery inside the library and limit the audience to the first 20 attendants so there is ample space for the patrons and animals.
- On August 22nd at 5:30 pm we will hold an evening storytime for our youngest patrons and their families followed by free play time to connect with friends. This event is intended for patrons entering preschool or kindergarten and their caregivers, but is open to all patrons under 6 years old and their families.
- August 24th at 5:30, teens are invited to the library to watch Disney's Teen Beach Movie and eat candy in the gallery.