

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	11/8/23	0-6	6			3	9
Storytime	11/15/23	0-6	3			2	5
Storytime (Stuffy Sleepover Pick Up)	11/22/23	0-10 yrs.	6	6		7	19
Storytime	11/29/23	0-6	1			1	2
1 st grade field trip TO PPL	11/8/23	6-7 yrs.		40		10	50
Teen movie night	11/9/23	13+			7		7
TAB: Stuffy Sleepover Drop Off Volunteer	11/21/23	13+			1		1
TAB: Stuffy Sleepover Pick Up Volunteer	11/22/23	13+			2		2
Stuffy Sleepover Drop Off	11/21/23	0-10 yrs.	4	10		12	24
In-house Scavenger Hunt: Pumpkins & acorns	11/1-/11/13	0-10 yrs.					20
In-house Scavenger Hunt: Dinosaurs	11/13-11/30	0-10 yrs.					31

- The teens voted on *The Greatest Showman* for their movie night. They had a Thanksgiving feast of potato chips to go with it, complete with stuffing and roasted turkey chips.
- The Stuffy Sleepover had a great turn out for both drop off and storyhour the next day. The video of the event can be watched by going to <https://youtu.be/7w Lia pZBY>.
- Members of our Teen Advisory Board (TAB) came to help with the Stuffy Sleepover. Their help putting name tags on the stuffies, taking pictures, and being an extra set of hands during storytime the next day was invaluable and a big part of the whole event running smoothly. Thank you!
- Storytime attendance is still low, but the families that do attend enjoy the extra attention that it provides. Storytime will continue at its regular time during the month of December, take a hiatus in January, and resume in February on Wednesdays at 11:30 am.

OUTREACH

- I helped to host a book give away table with OWWL at the Wyoming County Baby Shower held at the Breezeway Barn in Perry on November 18th.
- The 1st graders from PCSD came to the library on November 8th. After hearing a story and writing their name on mittens that they colored, students selected a book to check out and take back to the classroom to share with their peers. This is the 2nd year we have done this field trip as it coincides with their ELA unit. It was a great success with many of the students since returning to get a library card and show their caregivers their mitten that hangs in the library.

FACILITIES/ COLLECTION

- A generous library advocate donated 2 bookcases with bench seating. The new furniture really helps organize the sensory materials in the back of the library and provides a nice place to showcase new books. The benches fit perfectly in both the YA room, creating a little space for teens to ‘recharge’ (themselves and their phones) and in the Children’s Room, providing a place for storytime parents to be close, but not sitting on the floor. Thank you so much Shaver Family!
- We now have a significant collection of picture books written by Native American authors.

FUTURE PLANS

- The teen gnome craft will be on December 12th from 5 to 6:30 pm. All materials will be provided and registration is required for this 13 – 18 years of age program.
- I will host a table at the PCSD Special Education Department Sensory Santa event on December 13th.
- We will host a family movie with a craft on December 28th from 1 to 3 pm. Families can come for the whole movie and create with provided materials while they watch a movie or just drop in and create.
- Eclipse! This is approaching quickly and is going to be a huge for our area due to our location. I will add a section to the monthly report to relay information from local planning and OWWL meetings.

ECLIPSE: April 8, 2024 at 2:05pm until 4:31pm; Totality will last for 3 minutes 20 seconds at 3:19pm.

- Wyoming County’s Solar Eclipse Stakeholders meeting:
 - Participants from the WyCo Chamber of Commerce and Tourism, Buffalo Astronomical Association, WYCO Emergency Management Services and Highway Department, local business owners, and library workers.
 - They are expecting 5,000 to 7,000 visitors to the area between 12 pm and 4 pm. Safety is a major concern. They are looking at the safety issues that U.S. states in the path of totality faced in 2019 and trying to prevent similar problems. In particular, traffic on roads used to avoid 390 & 90 and where to hold people prior to totality if the weather is poor, both here or if Rochester and/or Buffalo are cloudy and our skies are clear. (Safety concerns, crowds, and traffic have also been major talking point at the 3 previous state-wide eclipse trainings I have already attended.)
 - Restaurants that are normally closed on Mondays are being encouraged to open on April 8th to serve the expected crowds. Other small businesses and area libraries are closing due to having inadequate facilities and staffing for the expected number of visitors to the area and safety concerns. All Wyoming County schools will be in session.
 - It is recommended that we hold programs leading up to the eclipse in regards to eclipse viewing safety and best practices, and pass out glasses starting in March. Schools will receive glasses from WyCo Chamber of Commerce and Tourism to distribute.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT/ SERVICE TO THE PROFESSION

- Youth Services Advisory Council meeting, November 8th, (1 hr.)
- WIC Information Session, November 12th (1.5 hours)
- Youth Services Advisory Council Chairs meeting, November 14th, (1 hr.)
- Wyoming County’s Solar Eclipse Stakeholders meeting, November 28th, (1 hr.)