

RECAP

<u>Program</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Audience</u>	<u>0-5 yrs.</u>	<u>6-12y</u>	<u>13-17y</u>	<u>18+</u>	<u>Total</u>
Storytime	7/31	0-10 yrs.	6	2	2	5	15
Storytime	8/7	0-10 yrs.	3	0	1	3	7
Up! painting	7/30	All Ages					29
Family Movie Up!	8/1	All Ages	0	0	0	0	0
Ringo Brill Drumming Show	8/7	5-12 yrs.					25
Sewing Fabric Bookmarks	8/27	13-108 yrs.	0	0	1	1	2
Scavenger Hunt	7/29-8/3	0-10 yrs.					43
Scavenger Hunt	8/5-8/10	0-10 yrs.					26
Scavenger Hunt	8/12-8/17	0-10 yrs.					13
Scavenger Hunt	8/19-8/31	0-10 yrs.					37

- Our Summer Reading Program (SRP) is officially over. We surpassed last year’s participation, added several new subscribers to our monthly newsletter, and had multiple programs break previous attendance records. In the past, we have not needed to require registration to our programs but this summer, we made several events ‘registration only’ due to the popularity of the programs and the limited space to hold them. We will continue this practice for our programs that are not regularly occurring this fall. Detailed SRP statistics will be in September’s report.
- Our Up! painting program was very well attended. It is clear that our patrons love to paint! We are taking this into consideration for fall programming and adding more painting programs to our calendar.
- We once again had a summer intern from Community Action for Wyoming County. This summer, we were lucky to have Gemma L. as our extra set of hands to pass out lunches and help run programs. We couldn’t have done it without her!
- We opened up our fabric bookmark program on August 27th to anyone over the age of 13 years old. We had a mother-daughter team that came and each created a



beautiful bookmark. Thank you to Mary Hotchkiss for the donation of the supplies and your expertise!

OUTREACH

- Our free lunch program was well received again this summer, serving on average 35 lunches daily to area youth, four days a week from July 8th to August 8th. Thank you to the members of our local Rotary Club, who volunteered to deliver the lunches to the library throughout the summer.

FACILITIES/ COLLECTION

- We were able to spine label the whole Graphic Novel section this summer. This was a big project that took attention to detail and a lot of time to complete. Thank you to Gemma who did the lion's share of the work to accomplish this goal.
- We are weeding our nonfiction 500's section (Science) for outdated and uncirculating books.

FUTURE PLANS

- We are adding a reoccurring program aimed at our patrons ages 2 to 6 years old, Perry Playdate. Once a month, we will get out our dramatic play sets and invite families in to play with them in Children's Library. It will be held in the evenings so caregivers that work during the day are able to attend. We have had a several requests to bring out our train set, pretend kitchen, etc., and the children loved the games we played after storytime this summer. With limited space and staffing in the Children's Library, we cannot leave them out or have them available on an 'as-requested' basis, so we are going to offer monthly thematic playdates. These programs will consist of unstructured, themed play centers that allow families to get out of the house and interact with other families who have children the same age. Our first Perry Playdate will be held on Thursday, September 19th from 5 to 6:30 pm.



Storytime friends practicing taking turns playing *Scatterpillar Scramble*, a new storytime favorite game.

- Drop-in crafts with Miss Briana will resume on September 28th at 10 am. Patrons 2 to 14 years old are invited to come to the library and make a colorful leaf crown. No registration is necessary.
- Storytime will resume the first week in October.
- Thanks to Friends of Perry Public Library, we will be offering babysitting training and staying home alone safely courses on October 11th. The courses will be taught by Epic Trainings and hosted at the Perry Public Library. Registration is required.