

RECAP

<u>Program</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Audience</u>	<u>0-5 yrs.</u>	<u>6-12 yrs.</u>	<u>13-18 yrs.</u>	<u>18+ yrs.</u>	<u>Total</u>
Drop-in Craft	5/9/2026	0-12 yrs	3	5		3	11
Afterschool Storytime	5/13/26	0-12 yrs		1		1	2
Perry Playdate: Household Helper	5/26/26	0-10 yrs.	4	3		5	12
Scavenger Hunt: Star Wars	5/2-5/16	0-12 yrs.					47
Scavenger Hunt: Gardening	5/18-5/31	0-12 yrs.					36
Nature Bingo	5/1-5/30	0-12 yrs.					10

- On May 9th at our Drop-in Craft program, participants made a 3D cherry blossoms picture.
- We held an afterschool storytime on May 13th at 3:30 pm. We had only one attendee that came and heard stories by Kate Messner and created a garden collage to take home.
- The new playdate theme, Household Helpers, held on May 26th was a huge hit! The children enjoyed sweeping ‘trash’ with a mini broom and dust pan the most. This is a theme that will definitely stay in our rotation. Playdates will be on hiatus until the fall and the cooler weather encourages indoor activities.
- Our scavenger hunts continue to be super popular. In fact, we are starting to run out of places to hide the clues!
- Nature Bingo, a bingo board for patrons to complete outside of the library and return for a prize, was not as popular as our regular scavenger hunts. This program has ended, but there are still prizes if patrons return their completed Nature Bingo in June.

FACILITIES/ COLLECTION

- This month’s displays included Mother’s Day, Memorial Day and war, gardening, spring sports and activities, and Mother Goose Rhymes.
- The dust and debris falling from the ceiling after the installation of the new heater in the vestibule has been resolved. The area just needs to be cleaned and the materials returned to their proper places so we can use the desk area again.

FUTURE PLANS

- *Mama Goose on the Loose* will be coming to the Library on June 1st for two performances, one at 11:30 am and one at 4 pm. Both shows will be the same, they are just at two different times to meet the needs of more families. Registration opened on May 4th. This program is made possible with funds from the *Summer Fun for Everyone* grant we received through the Statewide Community Re-grants Program, a regrant program of the New York State Council on the Arts with the support of the Office of the Governor and the NYS Legislature and administered by the Arts Council for Wyoming County.
- *Penn Dixie Fossil Park and Nature Preserve* will come to the Library on June 30th to present their Fossils: Clues to the Past Program. More information and the link to registration is available in June's newsletter.
- This summer we will have another book club where we crochet Granny Squares that match book covers. There will be four books and yarn kits this time, and they will join to make a book bag; hence the name *Book Bag Bookclub*. Book bags can be made from one, two, three, four, or eight Granny Squares, giving our patrons the freedom to choose the books and projects that suits them best. Our first kit will be available on June 29th and more information will be in our summer newsletter and on our social media pages.
- Summer Reading is almost here. Plans are coming together and the newsletter with all the details will be ready before the months end to send out.

OUTREACH

- We had a classroom from Perry Central Schools plan a field trip to see the library and learn how to find a book scheduled for May 18th. Unfortunately, they were unable to come that day, but the field has been rescheduled for June.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

- *Help Everyone Unearth their Story at Your Library!*, New York State Library, May 18, **1 hr.**
- Attached is a request to attend the ALSC (Association for Library Service to Children) National Institute biennial conference held in Buffalo, NY, in October 2026.