

Librarian's Report
July 2023

Programming:

Kids:

- 886 kids have registered for the summer reading program!
- We had over 576 people attend the Transportation Fair on June 28.
 - Insomnia Cookies provided the cookies for us this year, and where a hit!

Teens:

- ✧ 102 teens have signed up for the Summer Reading Program.
- ✧ Programs are going well and have lots of new faces!
- ✧ The re-organization of the YA area went well and we are getting lots of positive feedback on the change!

Adults:

- Nancy wrote and received a \$6000 grant from the Public Library Association/AT&T for digital literacy programming. Once Nancy goes through the required PLA webinars, she'll be purchasing tablets to use in programming and planning digital literacy classes to offer (ex: internet basics, email basics, Windows 10 basics)
- The video portion of the Cooper Room update is done, so we've got an entirely new audio/visual system in the Cooper Rooms! The new equipment will be more reliable than the old, and easier for staff and public use.
- New indoor signage has been hung and looks amazing!
- VisABILITY Grant-
 - The first VisABILITY yard games was a huge hit with a great turn out, 15 participants, and all had a wonderful time.
- Our Heritage in Song concert had 27 attendees.
- 15 attended the LGBTQ+ History Talk.
- Tuesday, July 18 is our ever-popular pet parade!
- Intergroup Dialogue Grant from the South Dakota Humanities Council- Planning for the facilitator training and dialogues themselves is coming along. In AUGUST, we will need people who would like to become facilitators- training is August 26. In SEPTEMBER, we will need people who would like to participate in the dialogues themselves- kick-off is September 12. This will be a commitment to the kick-off, plus 5 weeks of dialogues (meet for an hour once a week), and, if they can make it, a wrap-up on October 24. This is a really great opportunity to meet other people in the community and hear their perspectives on tough topics

Other: