

Librarian's Report

August 2026

Programming:

Kids:

- ✚ Summer Reading Program wrapped up in July. The dinosaur theme was very popular!
- ✚ Some highlights:
 - 14,011 attendees across 125 programs
 - 986 registered which is 26 more than 2025
- ✚ Now onto fall programs!
- ✚ The Reading Dragons program will continue. Having it as part of our summer reading introduced Reading Dragons to a large number of our families and we hope to keep up the enthusiasm for the program over the school year as a way to encourage leisure reading!

Teens:

- ✚ July programming has been going great with wonderful attendance:
 - 16 teens came to July's Teen Hang Zone
 - 9 attended Vintage Afternoon Tea.
 - 12 made pressed flower candle jars at Workshop Wednesday
 - 11 made s'mores pudding cups at Teens in the Kitchen
 - 10 attended book club (*Lovely War*) and 9 attended graphic novel club (*Divine Incursions*)
 - 15 teens signed up for July's snack club.
- ✚ Jenny visited the Teen Center at the Boys & Girls Club again this month and 7 of the kids made pressed flower candle jars.
- ✚ July' bricks and flicks, a partnership with Mikaela, was a success with 28 attendees!
- ✚ The first half of August will wrap up the summer reading program, and then the last half will be program-free to allow for back-to-school events. The fall schedule and cadence of programs will resume in September.

Adults:

- ❖ Silent Book Club is going to occur monthly throughout the rest of the year, as survey feedback showed a preference for more frequent meetings. We will reevaluate for 2027.

- ❖ This summer's Bricks and Flicks events brought in 62 patrons over 2 events. Jenny and Mikaela will be rebranding this event as "Film and Fidget" where we'll provide a small activity, such as Lego kits, air dry clay, coloring, etc., to work on as they watch a classic film.
- ❖ Two July crafts were so popular that we're doing a second round of each! We had 24 people at the beaded plant craft with 21 on the waitlist and 20 people at the book nook tin craft with 36 on the waitlist.

Other:

- ✧ New flooring has been installed in the upstairs kitchen.
- ✧ New flooring is going in in the Maker lab.
- ✧ Waiting on finalizing the breakroom work with Cindy.