

Librarian's Report
April 2026

Programming:

Kids:

- ✚ The egg hunt was a huge success! 504 people attended! This is 140 more than there was last year!
 - Staff filled 10,000 eggs in February
 - Volunteers from SDSU and BHS, as well as staff took 45 minutes on Friday, March 27 to put out all the eggs.
- ✚ Science night with SDSU's Natural Science Department had a great attendance of 78, and all had a great time!
- ✚ Spring programming wrapped up the week of April 6. This allows Katherine and Kristen to pivot and focus on putting the final touches on the Summer Reading Program.
- ✚ Katherine will begin school visits to talk about the Summer Reading Program at the end of April.

Teens:

- ✚ Jenny partnered with Mikaela on the Bad Art Program on March 17. Everyone who attended had a great time!
- ✚ Air dry clay trinket dishes was the workshop Wednesday in March and 12 teens had a great time working with clay.
- ✚ Four teens attended Graphic Novel club to discuss *The Fox Maidens*.
- ✚ Six teens attended book club and discussed *Skipshock*.

Adults:

- ❖ The 3rd annual craft swap went so well! There were over 120 donors who brought in supplies for the swap and within the first 10 minutes of the donor preview, we had 105 people walk through the door. Overall, 260 people attended and we raised \$1,128 from freewill donations, which was split between the FOL and the Brookings Arts Council.
- ❖ Another Silent Book Club events was successful with 8 people attending. People were really into just hanging out and reading with refreshments and everyone was really engaged in conversation with each other during the social time. Mikaela is looking forward to the May and July sessions!
- ❖ Bad Art Night was a success with 13 people enjoying creating all sorts of fun things out of the bits and bobs leftover from the craft swap.

- ❖ We are offering Question, Persuade, Refer (QPR) Training in partnership with SDSU Extension on Wednesday, April 29 at 6pm. This hour and a half long training provides attendees with a simple three-step system that prepares them to be a source for suicide prevention in their families and communities. Just as people trained in CPR help save thousands of lives each year, people trained in QPR learn how to recognize the warning signs of suicide crisis and how to question, persuade, and refer someone to help. All are welcome to join in this learning opportunity. Space is limited, so please register starting April 22.

Tech:

- 📁 Looking into the cost and feasibility of changing/updating the printing/scanning/faxing setup.
- 📁 Nancy is talking to our website host, Revize, about how the new ADA requirements and how make sure our website meets those requirements.

Other: