

Librarian's Report  
August 2023

**Programming:**

**Kids:**

- ❖ We had a great summer reading program. August 14-17 were the last chance for those who missed turning in their reading logs to do so.
- ❖ The floors in the Children's activity room have been stripped and waxed and are all ready for the next round of Children's activities.

**Teens:**

- ✧ The inaugural Teens in the Kitchen was a major success! The kids had fun and left with a successful end product, in this case, bubble tea.
  - The Rotary Club has \$1,400 left from the career grant for the Library to spend out. We will be using these funds to purchase more supplies so Jenny can keep growing the program.
- ✧ Teen Hang Zone continues to be popular, with anywhere from 10-17 kids attending every other week.
- ✧ Next week's back to school program is teen bullet journaling, and there's already been quite a bit of interest in that.
- ✧ Summer reading program will wrapped-up on Friday, August 11 with the Library Olympics.

**Adults:**

- We had 188 people attend the Pet Parade and had 25 pet participants.
- The Library had a booth at Crazy Days downtown and we had 210 people stop by, 15 card sign ups, and had 126 keychains painted!
  - In total this summer we've had booths at 6 events, with 49 card sign ups and an estimate of 510 or more people stopping by and interacting with the booth! We still have one to go in August.
- The VisABILITY outreach programming has gone well so far. We've had 12 people from Advance at both the yard games in June and the craft in July (including helpers), and we're reaching out to groups beyond Advance to bring in more participants.
- Giant Oregon Trail was played on the south lawn of the Library, August 7-9. Registration filled up quickly and all had a great time attempting to get to Willamette, Oregon!
- We've got some really great Maker Lab workshops planned in the coming months with the Glowforge, like embroidery on wood, fall pumpkin décor, mini bookshelf ornaments, and more.
- We received a grant from the Public Library Association/AT&T focused on digital literacy. As part of it, we will be teaching some digital literacy basics courses. Nancy will be teaching several for Activity Center users in September and October, and has also schedule some for the general public in September as well. For these classes, we'll be covering Internet Basics, Cybersecurity

Basics, and Email Basics. Once we receive the check, Nancy will be ordering tablets to use for programming as well.

- We are looking for facilitators for the Intergroup Dialogues program this fall. All facilitators will be trained on Saturday August 26<sup>th</sup> from 10am-3pm and then they will be eligible to lead a group in a 5-week series of discussions over timely, tough topics throughout September and October. If any board members would like to facilitate or if they want to pass the information on to people they know/work with, they can email me! If they don't feel comfortable facilitating, but would like to participate in the discussions, they can email me to be added to the participant recruitment list.

**Other:**