

Donald W Reynolds Community Center & Library

January 2021

Library is open w/limited access, services, & hours

Statistical Report

Attendance monthly total -----	<i>only 8 computers open & up to 50 in library to check out</i> -----	2,973
<i>We were open only 24 days this month due to holidays.</i>		
Attendance daily average -----		123
Circulation monthly (physical units)-----		3,470
Circulation average daily -----		144
Computer usage total -----		356
Computer users average daily-----		15
Computer usage average time-----		39 min
Computer guest passes-----		160
Computer guest passes average daily-----		6
New Library card holders-----		50
Materials donated -----		1,152
		(135 put in collection)

Interesting Statistics

Attendance: We have one entrance open, the west one, and are only allowing a limited amount of people in the library during the day. We have modified our hours to M-FR 9:00am to 6:00pm and SA 10:00am to 2:00pm. There are 8 computers open still and we've not had anyone who needed to wait to use a computer. The community center saw several events in December. Patrons must check in at the west desk to gain entrance into the library and all the tables and chairs are available for patrons who need to work on laptops or use the wifi. Areas are sanitized after use. The statistics do not include the traffic at the drive thru window. Many are requesting copies, faxing, and scanning to email through the window as well as picking up request/hold items.

Revenue: \$1632.45 for Jan. There were two meetings in the community center – a training & bday party for \$200 in revenue; \$400 in copies, \$77 in faxes, \$438 in fines, \$40 in notary charges, \$60 in replacement cards, 2 out of county memberships for \$50, and \$293 from the coin op (copies & prints).

What's Happened

- The library continued handing out the "take away" program bags in January. There were **53** bags given out to Early Childhood patrons (ages 2-4) & **106** bags to School-Aged patrons (ages 5-12). This makes over **150** young patrons served in the month of January.
- The "Very Hungry Reader" food program resumed evening meals and snacks (M-F from 4:00pm to 6:00pm) w/a total of **630** for the month with an average of **26** meals per day.
- The Durant Fire Dept held training classes the last week of January with about 15 firefighters in attendance for the officer training program. They used the theater for four days with the final day being testing.
- The library hosted court ordered mediations, literacy sessions, GED classes in the computer lab through the Ardmore Adult Ed. Center, Girl Scout meetings, a county blood drive, local sports sign ups for kids, & AARP tax aid trainings.

Community Engagement/FOL

- The FOL was due to co-sponsor a Quilt Celebration in April and the group, Heritage Quilters, decided to cancel the event for 2021 due to the Covid emergency. They booked days in 2022 for this celebration and looking forward to the community event.
- The Murder Mystery Dinner Theater will not happen in February and we hope to be back in 2022. Local businesses usually donate for this program and this just won't be feasible for most businesses due to drops in revenue because of COVID. We also lost a major person who helped make this event possible, Bill Mullen. Bill designed and produced the event's playbill every year free of charge, this was a huge contribution for the event.
- The library has been extended as an evening food site through 5/31/21. These meals and snacks are provided by the Oklahoma Food Bank program and are a part of the library's "Very Hungry Reader" program. The meals are picked up in the drive thru and are available from 4:00-6:00pm weekdays.

Projects

- The city's IT dept is working to help get a new phone system with the plan to install in January/February using State Aid funding. IT will replace the laptops in the theater & meeting room as these laptops are used by groups renting these rooms and the current computers are not working at full capacity (they are almost 10 years old.) The library's State Aid funds will be delayed until the end of February.
- The library parking lot will be evaluated for new striping and painting when the library receives their state aid funding. The library is also looking at replacing the microfilm reader in the genealogy section of the library as it has not been functioning for well over a year. These older machines are out of date and cannot be repaired so quotes have been sought for replacement and then evaluated based on the library's budget and needs.
- The library hopes to help with the covid relief grant program to help City of Durant utility customers with their bills. This program will help citizens needing help with their water bills for two years.
- The city installed a new kiosk for water bill payment inside the library, in the circulation area outside the computer lab entrance. The library will also be able to take water bill payments through the drive thru window later in the year.

Library Promotion

Library Website – www.donaldwreynolds.okpls.org

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<http://www.facebook.com/home.php?#!/rlwpubliclibrary>

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