

Donald W Reynolds Community Center & Library

August 2021

Statistical Report

Attendance monthly total ----Main Library----- 3,717

We were open 26 days this month.

Attendance daily average ----- 142

Circulation monthly (physical units)----- 4,251

Circulation average daily ----- 163

Computer usage total ----- 487

Computer users average daily----- 19

Computer usage average time----- 37 min

Computer guest passes----- 170

Computer guest passes average daily----- 6

New Library card holders----- 112

Materials donated ----- 2053

(112 put in collection)

Statistics

Attendance: The attendance is slowly getting back to “normal.” The attendance that is counted is for those coming through the gates, into the library so it does not reflect those coming to the community center.

Revenue : \$2890.58 for August. The room revenue was \$725 in August with payments for a wedding Labor Day weekend and a meeting in the theater for the Texoma Board of Realtors in late August.

Revenue breakdown: \$400 in copies, \$175 in faxes, \$524 in fines, \$340 in lost items, \$66 in replacement cards, \$75 in out-of-county memberships, \$72 in laminating, \$17 in donations, & \$492 from the public printer/copier coin-op.

There was a variety of community events this month: Chess sessions on Saturdays, two blood drives, a city ward meeting, an Educational Instruction & Leadership meeting for SE, Medicare informational meeting, RPM Staffing bus in the parking lot, and the FOL hosted a sewing party for kids’ book pillows.

What’s Happened

- The “Very Hungry Reader” food program resumed evening meals and snacks (M-F from 4:00pm to 6:00pm, ending on Fridays at 5:00 due to going back to regular hours) w/a total of **619** for the month with an average of **28** meals per day.

-The library hosted court-ordered mediations, literacy sessions, GED classes in the computer lab through the Ardmore Adult Ed. Center, & a nutrition class through the OSU Extension office.

Community Engagement/FOL

- The library has been extended as an evening food site through through May 2022. 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, Fridays 4-5.
- The library has received a Health Literacy grant and will begin health/fitness related projects in September. Sarah Hoffman will start off with Yoga & Zumba classes beginning in September, evenings in the theater. Other programs to follow include: self-defense classes, healthy cooking classes, and diabetes education classes.
- The library programs for non-school-aged children started back up in August along with a new "Baby Lap Sit" program. The lap sit had one family attend one day and the story time had 3 programs with one family attending each time. School – aged children's programs begin in September with a special county fair themed program on 9/2 by Ms. Tommie from the OSU Extension office. Then the next week the Lego Club (Tuesdays at 3:30), The Lounge for Teens (Wednesdays at 3:30/4:00), and After School Program (Thursdays at 3:30) begin in the library's Story Room. These programs meet from September to April when Durant Public Schools is in session. Special holiday programs are done for all kiddos for Christmas and Spring Break and take place in the library's theater.

Projects

- The library's grounds were cleared out, removing the dead shrubbery and trees this month. The plan will be to let many areas "return to grass" and then in the fall plant trees behind the benches throughout the property. The grounds look amazing with all the dead items gone and the rose bushes and other trees flowering. It is currently in a "grow and fill in" stage for the next year so bear with us as we try to get our grass to fill in the lawn.
- The library was approved to move on to the engineering for the Library Park which will begin, tentatively, in August. This project is being funded by the Pendleton donation. The contract for engineering is ready to be implemented with the theorem company and Shane Knight.
- The library will house the covid relief grant program, Utility Billing Assistance Program, to help City of Durant utility customers with their bills. This program will help citizens needing help with their water bills for the next two years.
- The library has scheduled the windows to be cleaned in early September by a local worker, Matthew. The lower level of outdoor windows will be cleaned then scheduled on a quarterly basis.

Library Promotion

Library Website – www.donaldwreynolds.okpls.org

Donald W Reynolds & Donald W Reynolds Friends of the Library- FACEBOOK FOR PHOTOS AND INFORMATION

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

"Check it out at the Library" - weekly column with the Sunday edition of the Durant Daily Democrat. *Currently on hold.*