

# Donald W Reynolds Community Center & Library

## September 2021

### Statistical Report

Attendance monthly total ----Main Library----- 3,723

*We were open 25 days this month.*

Attendance daily average ----- 148

Circulation monthly (physical units)----- 4,136

Circulation average daily ----- 165

Computer usage total ----- 291

Computer users average daily----- 12

Computer usage average time----- 36 min

Computer guest passes----- 143

Computer guest passes average daily----- 5

New Library card holders----- 88

Materials donated ----- 3,358

( 82 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 :** \$4340.52 for September. The room revenue was \$2125.00 in September with payments for August’s foster parent training, a post-funeral luncheon, and two trainings for the Texoma Board of Realtors.

Revenue breakdown: \$470 in copies, \$95 in faxes, \$500 in fines, \$516 in lost items, \$87 in replacement cards, \$200 in out-of-county memberships, \$15 in laminating, \$15 in donations, & \$326 from the public printer/copier coin-op.

There was a variety of community events this month: Chess sessions on Saturdays, a city ward meeting, Durant Ok Kids baseball sign ups, 3 community genealogy class, a Daughters of the American Revolution meeting, a Bryan County Federation of Democratic Women meeting, and more.

### 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 **680** for the month with an average of **32** 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 began health/fitness related projects in September. Sarah Hoffman had **51** participants for 4 weeks of Yoga & Zumba classes with yoga being the more popular program. Self-defense classes will begin in October and go throughout the year, scheduled on Saturdays and Thursday evenings, and taught by Amy Hervey Cook. Diabetes LEAD classes will be in November and will be taught by Tommie James from the local OSU Extension office.
- 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 several families attend one day with four children and the story time had 2 programs with 5 kids attending, total. School – aged children's programs began with a special county fair themed program on pigs 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) began in the library's Story Room. Attendance is as follows: After School 3 out of 4 sessions with 14 kids, the Lounge 4 out of 4 sessions with 8 teens, and Lego Club 4 out of 4 sessions with 34 kids. Lego Club is by far the favorite program this fall! 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 applied for ARPA grant funds from the ODL in September. We were eligible for just over \$20,000 and will know if we are awarded the grant by 10/8/21. The grant funds are to help respond to the COVID-19 pandemic and the impacts of the pandemic on our community.
- The library was approved to move on to the engineering for the Library Park and it began 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.

## Library Promotion

Library Website – [www.donaldwreynolds.okpls.org](http://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 weekly edition of the Durant Daily Democrat. *Currently on hold.*