

Donald W Reynolds Community Center & Library

December 2021

Statistical Report

Attendance monthly total ----- 3,657

We were open 24 days this month.

Attendance daily average ----- 152

Circulation monthly (physical units)----- 3,596

Circulation average daily ----- 149

Computer usage total ----- 433

Computer users average daily----- 18

Computer usage average time----- 38 min

Computer guest passes----- 156

Computer guest passes average daily----- 6

New Library card holders----- 112

Materials donated ----- 759

(38 put in collection)

Statistics

Revenue : \$1916.37 for December. The room revenue was \$550.00 with payments for two bday parties and a meeting for Lighthouse Behavioral Health.

Revenue breakdown: \$358 in copies, \$88 in faxes, \$415 in fines, \$27 in replacement cards, \$75 in out-of-county memberships, \$12 in laminating, \$100 in lost/damaged item fees, & \$286 from the public printer/copier coin-op. The café revenue is separate and that was \$318 for the month.

There was a variety of community events this month: Chess sessions on Saturdays, a city ward meeting, Blood Drives, Bryan County Sheriff's Dept OSBI Training, FOL's Holiday Craft Show, Girl Scout meetings, Families Feeding Families Board meeting, City OMAG Training, Bryan County Basketball League sign ups, a book signing by local optometrist Dr. Greg Clay, several school visits 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 **390** for the month with an average of **16** meals per day.

This program will continue through the end of May 2022 and then switch to the in-person meals for the summer.

-The library hosted court-ordered mediations, literacy sessions, and GED classes in the computer lab through the Ardmore Adult Ed. Center.

Community Engagement/FOL

- The library has received a Health Literacy grant and began health/fitness related projects in September. In December there was a Self Defense class with a total of **3** attendees. Tai Chi had 3 classes and **4** total attendees. Jan will be FULL of health literacy classes with a 4 session Healthy Cooking course, Tai Chi, Yoga, Zumba, Self Defense, and Chair Yoga.
- The library programs for non-school-aged children started back up in August along with a new “Baby Lap Sit” program. There are two programs on Fridays, the Baby Lap Sit at 9:30am and Story Time at 10:00am. School-aged children have Lego Club (Tuesdays at 3:30), The Lounge for Teens (Wednesdays at 3:30/4:00), and After School Program (Thursdays at 3:30) in the library’s Story Room. Attendance is as follows: Lapsit had 1 session with 1 family in attendance & Story Time had no attendees. After School three sessions with 15 kids, the Lounge three sessions with 8 teens, and Lego Club two sessions with 32 kids. Due to the Christmas holiday, and school being out, there were no school-aged kids’ programs the week of Dec. 20 & Dec. 27.
- There were three school visits the week of 12/13: 110 Calera 5th & 6th graders that rotated through three stations, ate lunch and then watched a movie with Grinch punch & cookies in the theater; 95 Calera Kindergarteners that came for the “Polar Express” movie, hot chocolate, and cookies followed by lunch; 25 children and family members from SE’s Big 5 Headstart for a Christmas movie and pizza lunch.
- The first kids’ holiday event since Christmas of 2019 occurred the week of 12/20. On Monday we showed a double feature of Christmas movies with 14 kids and 4 adults in attendance. Tuesday was a movie followed by a holiday craft with 11 kids and 3 adults in attendance. Wednesday was by far the most popular day, a movie followed by bingo, with 29 kids and 4 adults in attendance. This makes 54 kids and 11 adults served by programming over the break.

Projects

- The library applied for ARPA grant funds from the ODL in September. We were eligible for just over \$20,000 and were awarded just over \$23,000 in mid-October. Items purchased will be for extended programming, outdoor events, sound proofing meeting/study rooms, and enhancing video conferencing equipment.
- 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. Library staff met with Shane in late December for updates on the planning and a look at the drawings. The park will add a large outdoor space to extend library programming.
- 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

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

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