

Donald W Reynolds Community Center & Library

January 2022

Statistical Report

Attendance monthly total ----- 3,776

We were open 24 days this month.

Attendance daily average ----- 157

Circulation monthly (physical units)----- 3,975

Circulation average daily ----- 165

Computer usage total ----- 398

Computer users average daily----- 17

Computer usage average time----- 37 min

Computer guest passes----- 131

Computer guest passes average daily----- 5

New Library card holders----- 75

Materials donated -----1635

(14 put in collection)

Statistics

Revenue : \$2848.51 for January. The room revenue was \$1300.00 with payments for: Metts Powerlines training, business retreat (Feb.), health screening (April), goal setting workshop, bday party (moved to Feb.), Americans for Prosperity meeting, and a baby shower.

Revenue breakdown: \$458 in copies, \$146 in faxes, \$402 in fines, \$48 in replacement cards, \$50 in out-of-county memberships, \$6 in laminating, \$200 in lost/damaged item fees, & \$233 from the public printer/copier coin-op. The café revenue is separate and that was \$3 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, AARP Tax Aid training, Depositions, & a Genealogy class in the computer lab.

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 **340** for the month with an average of **17** 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 & 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. January was very busy! There was a Self Defense class with a total of **10** attendees. 3 Healthy Cooking classes with **19** attendees, 3 Yoga classes with **33** attendees, 3 Zumba classes with **19** attendees, and a Chair Yoga class that started up on 1/31 with **4** attendees. Tai Chi was postponed by the presenter from Big 5 Community Services.
- 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 four sessions with no attendance & Story Time had four sessions with 6 attendees. After School four sessions with 16 kids, the Lounge three sessions with 6 teens, and Lego Club three sessions with 33 kids. Due to the Durant School system being out for COVID we did not have programming on 1/18 & 1/19.
- The first Family Movie Event since 2020 took place on Saturday, 1/22 with about 34 adults and children in attendance. They watched the movie “Encanto” and enjoyed popcorn & pouch drinks sold by the Friends of the Library.
- Computer classes for adults will resume in February with sign ups in January. The first month will have a 3 session “Basic Computers” class and a three session “Microsoft Word” class. The classes are free and open to the community.

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. Publicity for the park has garnered a lot of interest in the project with many asking how they can help. The Blue Zones Project has offered to help partner with some of the project and the library is working on other grants to help with the project.
- 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

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

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

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