

# Donald W Reynolds Community Center & Library

May 2022

## Statistical Report

Attendance monthly total -----library stats only, no community center----- 3,822

*We were open 25 days this month.*

Attendance daily average -----	153
Circulation monthly (physical units)-----	4,541
Circulation average daily -----	182
Computer usage total -----	488
Computer users average daily-----	20
Computer usage average time-----	37 min
Computer guest passes-----	139
Computer guest passes average daily-----	5
New Library card holders-----	126
Materials donated -----	1,088

( 30 put in collection )

## Statistics

**Revenue** : \$4,045.09 for April. The room revenue was \$2,025.00 with payments for: E School Academy testing, Metts Powerlines safety training, Webstaurant Hiring Event, Centric Home Health & Hospice meeting, bday party, Modern Abstract & Title meeting, a Bridal show, & an Alliance Health meeting.

Revenue breakdown: \$385 in copies, \$82 in faxes, \$744 in fines, \$66 in replacement cards, \$125 in out-of-county memberships, \$3 in laminating, \$224 in lost/damaged item fees, & \$370 from the public printer/copier coin-op. The café revenue is separate and that was \$287 for the month.

There was a variety of community events this month: GED Classes, Healing Hearts Support Group, Court ordered mediations, a City Ward meeting, Girl Scout award ceremony, DPD Banquet, Bryan Co Federation of Democratic Women meeting, a Genealogy class, City of Durant Equipment Safety classes, American Legion meeting, a Medicare info session, and a Chamber sponsored Town Hall for Candidates Running for Office.

## Community Engagement/FOL

- The "Very Hungry Reader" food program gave out evening meals and snacks (M-F from 4:00pm to 6:00pm, ending on Fridays at 5:00) w/a total of **205** for the month with an average of **16** meals per day. This program ended on May 18 and will transition to the in-person meals for the summer beginning June 7th.

- The library has received a Health Literacy grant and began health/fitness related projects in September. May classes: Four Line Dancing classes with **41** attendees, three Air Fryer classes with **35** attendees, one Self Defense class with **11** attendees, and a Blue Zones Healthy Kitchen Cooking class with **30** attendees.

- The library programs for non-school-aged children ended the end of May with preparation for Summer Reading beginning in May. Summer Reading program will be on TU & TH in June & July with classes beginning on June 7. Three sessions for 5-8 yr olds, two sessions for 9-12 yr olds, and then one teen session on Tuesdays only. Sessions are capped at 25 kids. "Oceans of Possibilities" is the theme for 2022 and the library has decorated the community center.

- The Chess sessions are well attended with a total of 24 adults & 7 kids over five Saturdays.

- The Summer Feeding Program, "The Very Hungry Reader" resumes its normal times this summer with in person dining either before or after the reading program. Lunches will be served on TU & TH from 11:00am to 3:00pm and is open to any child under age 18. Children do not need to register to attend the meal service. This year hot food will be served from a commercial food warmer. The meals come prepacked from the Regional Food Bank.

## 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 engineering is at 60% at the end of February. 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. A local couple has kicked off the donation project with a sizeable gift, more details to come.

- 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 Blue Zones Project donated a water bottle refill station. The unit was installed in May. This feature will help cut down on waste from plastic bottles and is more sanitary than a public drinking fountain.

## 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.*