

BRIDGEPORT LIBRARY

Beardsley Branch Library July 2023 Monthly Report

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Service Statistics	<p>Number of new library cards: 64 (37A; 4 YA; 23 J)</p> <p>Number of visitors: 3,305 Specific to BHC: n/a</p>	<p>Number of questions answered: 896 (141 reference, 669 other; 86 technical questions)</p> <p>Number of interlibrary loans (in/out): 114/282</p> <p>Number of online database sessions: n/a</p>
Collection Statistics	<p>Adult: 1,003 (20 added in July)</p> <p>Teen: 238 (12 added in July)</p> <p>Children: 1,371 (88 added in July)</p>	<p>A&V materials: 591 (1 added in July)</p> <p>Magazines & Newspapers: 49 (4 magazines added in July)</p> <p>Hot spots: 20;</p> <p>Passes to cultural sites: 3</p>
Circulation Statistics	<p>Adult: 259</p> <p>Teen: 121</p> <p>Children: 766</p> <p>A&V materials: 258</p> <p>Magazines: 0</p>	<p>Newspapers: 38 (in house)</p> <p>Hot spots: 32</p> <p>Cultural passes: 3</p> <p>Circulation total: 1,438</p> <p>In-house: 98</p>
Public Internet Usage	<p>Users for the month: 276</p> <p>Wifi use: 1,120</p>	
Room Usage:	<p>Room use: Community Room: 2; Collab. Hub: 3; Study Rooms: 58; Total Attendance: 94 patrons</p>	
Programming Milestones Totals:	<p>16 Digital Navigator (1-1.5hr) sessions</p> <p>3 PC Classes: 25 patrons</p> <p>2 English Conversation Groups: 4 patrons</p> <p>4 Kids Chess Club Sessions: 39 patrons</p> <p>CactusHead Puppet Show: 30 patrons</p>	<p>Bridgeport Islanders Storytime: 11 patrons</p> <p>Adult Craft Class: 5 patrons</p> <p>Outreach: PC Class at Bpt Rescue Mission: 8 patrons</p> <p>2 Outreach: Lemonade Stand: 74 patrons</p> <p>Class Visit: Big Dreams Daycare: 16</p>
Staff Development	<p>7/12 Anna and Andre attended NorthStar Digital Literacy Webinar</p> <p>7/12 Anna attended Managing Difficult Conversations Webinar by Niche Academy</p>	

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Highlights

- July was a 'busy as a bee' month at Beardsley Branch - helping children, teens, and adults with summer reading requests and making sure they find a nice place to cool off during hot summer days.
- The summer reading program has been going well; we have a good number of children, teens, and adults registered for the program. We also seen slight increase in material circulation as well.
- Two Saturdays of the month we hosted special programs for families, which were well attended. On July 8,th we had a visit from Storm, the Bridgeport Islanders mascot, reading stories to young patrons; on July 22,nd we hosted CactusHead Puppets for a special shadow puppet show.
- Our weekly group computer classes continued in July; total of 25 patrons attended 3 sessions: Intro to Google Docs; All About Facebook; Intro to Typing. Classes are well received; taught and presented by the library staff.
- In addition to the on-site PC classes, Beardsley staff were able to also teach a computer class off site at the Bridgeport Rescue Mission this month.
- Chess program for kids and teens, led by the president of the Chess Club at University of Bridgeport, has been well attended.
- Beardsley's Digital Navigator provided sixteen, an hour-long sessions to patrons - assisting with their devices and/or teaching them tech skills.
- Andre has been participating in the Library Card Sign-up committee to collaborate on planning for September. In addition to that, fall program planning has been in fully swing as well.
- In July, we had our first official class visit at the branch. Preschoolers from Big Dreams Daycare spent over an hour in the library and attended storytime, which was followed by a simple craft. Every attendee received a bookmark and a library card application to take home.
- With a collaboration a local high school student Wayne, we've been having a Lemonade Stand in front of the building on Tuesday afternoons. Everyone in the community enjoys getting a cup of free chilled lemonade on a hot day and at the same time they can learn about library resources.
- Regarding book displays in July, The Story of Music: Cautionary Tales Exhibit, which consist of written book creations by students from the nearby Beardsley School has been set up all summer long, along with the summer reading book display.