

BRIDGEPORT LIBRARY

Burroughs-Saden/Public Services December 2022 Monthly Report

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Service Statistics	New library cards: 74 (56 A, 8 YA, 10 J) Number of visitors: 4,747 Number of online database sessions: n/a	Questions answered: 1,541 (469 Ref, 947 Other, 125 Technical Assistance) Number of interlibrary loans (in/out): 105/574
Collection Statistics	Adult: 227,396 Teen: 6,211 Children: 61,904	A&V materials: 25,795 Magazines & Newspapers: 3,935 TOTAL: 325,775 (166 added and 687 withdrawn in December)
Circulation Statistics	Adult: 511 Teen: 60 Children: 652	A&V materials: 421 Magazines & Newspapers: 2 Hot spots: 12 Cultural passes: 2 In-house: 31 Grand totals: 1666
Public Internet Usage	Users for the month: 1,112 WIFI use: 512	
BHC	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Visiting researcher and doctoral candidate at the end of November/start of December from Mexico City completed his research trip.• BHC completed shifting and inventorying of inactive periodicals and rehousing project for company and community newsletters.• BHC staff met with Synergy to commence re-vamp of labor history website.• Curator Ben Ortiz came to discuss the removal of deaccessioned art. <p>Staff development</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• MR and EVT continued their work for the NEA Spring programming committee 2023	

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Highlights

RandR:

Ongoing staff development

- Training staff in duties such as creating displays, bibliographies, new technologies
- Training staff in databases that are highly used/key for patrons
- Alerting staff to new or changed procedures, which are or will be documented in the staff binder

Programing Milestones

BHC

- Memoir writing attendance: 9 (5 in person, 4 via Zoom)
- American Sideshow: 8
- Miracle of Christmas Village: 15

Youth Services

December saw an uptick in programming:

- December 7th - we had a Family Holiday Movie Night. It was well-attended and, based on the feedback we received, we hope to continue the program throughout the year.
- December 10th - we had a magic show, The Magic of Christmas (& Reading!) with Jay Reidy, who encouraged audience participation & enthusiastically delivered the message that reading is truly magic. It was very well-attended and the kids (and grown-ups, too) crowd enjoyed it immensely.
- December 14th - we had a visit from Santa (and Mrs.) Claus. This was our first foray back into a live Santa visit. It was very well-attended and people were happy that we brought the tradition back.
- December 19th - we had a Hanukkah craft - we had a good number of patrons who were all very appreciative that we offered a Hanukkah program.
- December 20th - we had a Henna Night for Kids, which was very popular. 15 kids registered and all showed up.
- December 28th - we had a Kwanzaa craft with a good number of participants, who were also appreciative that we offered a Kwanzaa program.
- Tutoring takes place every Wednesday & Thursday afternoon in the Teen Room. Attendance grows each week.
- Lego Club takes place regularly on Thursdays and it is well-attended.

Outreach - YS

- Representatives and clients of The Greater Bridgeport Home Visiting Partnership came to a Little Learners storytime. The primary contact discussed their fathers' group and gave Kristin his card. We are planning to partner with them in delivering storytimes and class visits tailored to their needs.