

BRIDGEPORT LIBRARY

Newfield Library December 2023 Monthly Report

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Service Statistics	<p>Number of new library cards: 12</p> <p>Number of visitors: 1888</p> <p>Number of online database sessions: n/a</p>	<p>Number of questions answered: 212</p> <p>Reference: 48 Other: 149 Tech Asst.: 15</p> <p>Number of interlibrary loans (in/out): 29/297</p>																																							
Collection Statistics Total: 37, 512 (359 additions)	<p>Adult: 17,491 (42 added)</p> <p>Teen: 3,742 (89 added)</p> <p>Children: 16,183 (113 added)</p>	<p>A&V materials: 6,785 (3 added)</p> <p>Magazines & Newspapers: 1,022 (112 added)</p>																																							
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Public Internet Usage: 1997	Uses for the month: 374	WiFi Use: 1623																																							
Programming Milestones In house Programs: 52 Attendance: 446 Off Site Programs/Outreach Attendance: 34 Notary: 4 Room Use: 25 Attendance: 150 est. Total Attendance: 630	<table> <thead> <tr> <th></th><th># of Programs</th><th># of attendees</th></tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Little Readers Storytime</td><td>3</td><td>26</td></tr> <tr> <td>Lego Club</td><td>2</td><td>17</td></tr> <tr> <td>Kwanzaa kinara Craft</td><td>1</td><td>0</td></tr> <tr> <td>Switch Play</td><td>1</td><td>4</td></tr> <tr> <td>Class Visits – Dunbar, Tisdale, Lighthouse, Central</td><td>8</td><td>173</td></tr> <tr> <td>Marshmallow Dreidel Craft</td><td>1</td><td>10</td></tr> <tr> <td>Chess for Teens</td><td>4</td><td>3</td></tr> <tr> <td>Music together</td><td>3</td><td>78</td></tr> <tr> <td>Santa Visit</td><td>1</td><td>100</td></tr> <tr> <td>DIY Hot Chocolate Reindeer Craft - Teen</td><td>1</td><td>7</td></tr> <tr> <td>Board Games – Self Directed</td><td>19</td><td>45</td></tr> <tr> <td>Game Day – Self Directed</td><td>7</td><td>17</td></tr> </tbody> </table>			# of Programs	# of attendees	Little Readers Storytime	3	26	Lego Club	2	17	Kwanzaa kinara Craft	1	0	Switch Play	1	4	Class Visits – Dunbar, Tisdale, Lighthouse, Central	8	173	Marshmallow Dreidel Craft	1	10	Chess for Teens	4	3	Music together	3	78	Santa Visit	1	100	DIY Hot Chocolate Reindeer Craft - Teen	1	7	Board Games – Self Directed	19	45	Game Day – Self Directed	7	17
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Staff Development/Meetings

- Nykia E. – Library Program & Program Funding Committee Meeting
Policy Meeting
Safety Committee Meeting

Highlights:

"I believe in process. I believe in four seasons. I believe that winter's tough, but spring's coming. I believe that there's a growing season. And I think that you realize that in life, you grow. You get better."

- Steve Southerland

December was a steady month filled with class visits and programs.

We had the pleasure of hosting a class visit from Central High, with approximately 26 students actively participating in Board games, Game Day activities, and utilizing the Teen space for reading. The Beginner chess program for Teens has seen engagement from a handful of teens, and there is emerging interest from parents looking to involve their younger children. There were also a number of class visits from neighboring schools such as Dunbar and Tisdale.

Branch Manager and Staff member Twana J joined the EE NRZ, the Mayor, and Community leaders at the Annual Tree Lighting for the EE community. Afterwards the community, along with the YMCA afterschool program stop in to visit Santa here at Newfield!

The Bridgeport Fire Birds handed out presents to the approximately 80 children, while Staff handed out books and treats. Our in-house photographer Hassan P (Teen Librarian) took amazing photos that parents were able to pick up the following week. The Bridgeport Fire Birds also donated \$150 in gift cards to one of Newfield's attending families.

Displays for the Month: Books & Movies for the Holiday, Kwanzaa, Hanukkah, and Christmas.

BPL Ugly Sweater Contest: Twana J. was Newfield's lucky winner of the BPL's ugly sweater contest. We thank Administration for the prizes and holiday cookies.

The holiday season has brought an increased presence of teens in the Teen space. Self-directed programs, specifically Board Games and Game Day, continue to maintain strong participation. The DIY Hot Chocolate Reindeer Cones and Reclaimed Wood program was well-received, attendees thoroughly enjoy the experience.

The Bridgeport Health department hosted a table and spoke with parents about health education during our Monday Little Readers Storytime.



Happy New Year from Newfield Branch Library!