

# BRIDGEPORT LIBRARY

Newfield Library October 2023 Monthly Report

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<p>Service Statistics</p>	<p>Number of new library cards: <b>44</b>          Number of visitors: <b>2591</b>          Number of online database sessions: <b>n/a</b></p>	<p>Number of questions answered: <b>295</b>          Reference: <b>70</b> Other: <b>166</b> Tech Asst.: <b>59</b>          Number of interlibrary loans (in/out): <b>49/295</b></p>																																																
<p>Collection Statistics          Total: <b>36,893</b>  <b>(436 additions)</b></p>	<p>Adult: <b>17,179 (116 added)</b>          Teen: <b>3,648 (42 added)</b>          Children: <b>16,066 (133 added)</b></p>	<p>A&amp;V materials: <b>6,825 (7 added)</b>          Magazines &amp; Newspapers: <b>1,453 (138 added)</b></p>																																																
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<p>Public Internet Usage: <b>2639</b></p>	<p>Uses for the month: <b>546</b></p>	<p>WiFi Use: <b>2093</b></p>																																																
<p>Programming Milestones          In house Programs: <b>63</b>          Attendance: <b>458</b>          Off Site Programs/Outreach  <b>1 Community Event</b>          Attendance: <b>100 est.</b>          Notary: <b>2</b>          Room Use: <b>28</b>          Attendance: <b>259 est.</b>          Total Attendance: <b>819</b></p>	<table border="0"> <thead> <tr> <th></th> <th># of Programs</th> <th># of attendees</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr><td>Little Readers Storytime</td><td>4</td><td>52</td></tr> <tr><td>Lego Club</td><td>3</td><td>30</td></tr> <tr><td>Coding for Kids</td><td>3</td><td>10</td></tr> <tr><td>Switch Play</td><td>4</td><td>7</td></tr> <tr><td>Central High School Drop In</td><td>3</td><td>64</td></tr> <tr><td>Little Readers Playgroup</td><td>2</td><td>2</td></tr> <tr><td>Chess for Teens</td><td>4</td><td>0</td></tr> <tr><td>Music together</td><td>4</td><td>65</td></tr> <tr><td>Books &amp; Brownies</td><td>1</td><td>0</td></tr> <tr><td>Halloween Party</td><td>1</td><td>36</td></tr> <tr><td>Teen Spooktacular Paint Pour</td><td>1</td><td>13</td></tr> <tr><td>Lawyers in Libraries</td><td>1</td><td>5</td></tr> <tr><td>Board Games – Self Directed</td><td>17</td><td>56</td></tr> <tr><td>Game Day – Self Directed</td><td>10</td><td>44</td></tr> <tr><td>Light House Class Visit</td><td>6</td><td>74</td></tr> </tbody> </table>		# of Programs	# of attendees	Little Readers Storytime	4	52	Lego Club	3	30	Coding for Kids	3	10	Switch Play	4	7	Central High School Drop In	3	64	Little Readers Playgroup	2	2	Chess for Teens	4	0	Music together	4	65	Books & Brownies	1	0	Halloween Party	1	36	Teen Spooktacular Paint Pour	1	13	Lawyers in Libraries	1	5	Board Games – Self Directed	17	56	Game Day – Self Directed	10	44	Light House Class Visit	6	74	
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## Staff Development/Meetings

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- Nykia E. – Beginner Book Trailer's with WeVideo,  
Diversity Without Adversity (COB Training)

Highlights: October was filled with many celebrations! The entrance of Fall, Banned Book Week, Hispanic Heritage Month, Halloween, just to name a few!

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Newfield partnered with Bridgeport Health Dept. and Social Services for a special bilingual story hour reading of “Germs Are Not for Sharing”. Health resources and giveaways were shared with families.

Displays for the Month: Books and Videos celebrating the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Hip-Hop in the Children & Teen Room, Banned Book for Banned Book Week, Spooky Book Display for Halloween, Fall in Love with a Good Book, a mystery book display, and a Hispanic Heritage Month display.

Newfield held its annual Halloween party. Children enjoyed trivia games and cookie decorating and most of all their candy. Praises and thanks were received from parents for having such events available to their children in our community.

Newfield began computer classes. The classes range from computer basics to internet safety. The classes are for six weeks and will resume in the spring.

Newfield joined the Ralphola Community Center, Daddy Backwards Ent., and the YMCA for its first indoor Treats n’ Tents event. Organizations decorated a tent and handed out candy to many children. (Twana J., Vanessa O.) Nick R. assisted in the “Spooktacular Fun” day at Burroughs; One day two events held for Halloween.

Newfield aided in directing a patron on how to navigate the CT Big List website. The patron was able to recover a substantial amount of money without paying the fee to a recovery firm. They were very appreciative and thanked the staff for their help.

Three groups of students from CHS Transitioning Academy visited during the month. Library cards were issued to students. There is an increased usage of the teen space for homework and reading. There is an increase in teen participation in programming. The teen Spooktacular Paint Pour event attracted 13 teens, a jump from the usual 1-3 attendees.

### Upcoming Special Program:

Quilts of Migration: Gee’s Bend to Bridgeport, November 18<sup>th</sup> @ 1pm.

Cultural historian, Michelle Black Smith, moderates the significance and impact of African American quilting legacies through the migration of families from Gee’s Bend, Alabama. Program includes a panel discussion with descendants of the world-renowned Gee’s Bend Quilters.

