



CITY OF STAYTON

M E M O R A N D U M

TO: Mayor Porter and the Stayton City Council

FROM: Janna Moser - Library Director

DATE: November 16, 2020

SUBJECT: October Library report

The Library provided spooktacular fun for everyone in October. During the week of Halloween, we hung a large spooky photo backdrop on the building for families to take Halloween pictures. Jennifer created a Haunted Hustle activity in the Community Center park for children and families to practice shuffling like a mummy, flapping like a bat, and howling like a werewolf. Library staff recorded a new family-friendly spooky or chilling tale to the storyline each day. Reese's Peanut Butter Cups topped a fierce field of competition to be named Stayton area's favorite Halloween candy in our great SPOOKtober Candy Bracket.

We provided take and make kits for all ages. October kits included magnet mazes and painted pumpkins for children, glowing potion bottles for teens and pumpkin garland for adults. Each kit contains the supplies and instructions for a project to be done at home. The instructions are also posted on the Library website so people who do not get kits can still complete the projects with their own supplies.

Stephanie added a virtual room to the teen section of the library website. The room includes links to new books, activities, book lists and more. Teens signed up to receive a Teen Mystery Box with a spooky-themed surprise Library book, treats and an activity. For Books & Bites, children received a free copy of *The Candymakers* by Wendy Mass, saltwater taffy from Newport Candy Shoppe, activities, and story suggestions for further reading. Jennifer and Ryan filmed a fantastic accompanying book talk.

We hosted our first virtual speaking event with Jan MacKell Collins, the author of *Good Time Girls of the Pacific Northwest*. It was livestreamed to our Facebook page. Many thanks to the Friends of the Library for sponsoring the program. In partnership with the Marion County Clerk's Office, we were able to have a 24-hour ballot box installed on the north side of the Library.

Curbside pickup service continued to increase. Holds and appointments can be made online or over the phone. A quarantine system is being used to safely process returning items and the courier.

Upcoming events:

- Virtual Storytime – November 17 at 10:00am
- Children: Books & Bites – starting November 17
- Virtual Storytime – November 24 at 10:00am
- Virtual Storytime – December 1 at 10:00am
- All Ages: Take & Make Kits – starting December 7 at 10:00am

2020-2021 Monthly Library Statistics

	July	August	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	March	April	May	June	2020-21 YTD	2019-2020
TOTAL CHECKOUTS														
Physical items	4,809	5,569	4,854	6,008									21,240	150,216
Digital items (ebooks + downloadable audio)	2,192	1,969	1,777	1,757									7,695	20,482
INCOME RECEIVED														
Non-resident cards	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00									\$0.00	\$1,300.00
Fines: overdue & lost books	\$0.00	\$176.27	\$0.00	\$37.05									\$213.32	\$9,136.98
Room fees	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00									\$0.00	\$1,345.35
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REFERENCE QUESTIONS	472	454	289	468									1,683	4,303
NEW PATRON CARDS	6	21	20	23									70	473
INTERNET USE	0	0	0	0									0	7,141
PROGRAM ATTENDANCE														
Children & adults at Children's Programs	729	282	285	308									1,604	7,553
Teens	131	26	17	31									205	288
Adults	154	50	5	151									360	737
Outreach	0	0	0	0									0	3,637
												TOTAL	2,169	12,215
MEETING ROOM ATTENDANCE	0	0	0	0									0	1,257
PATRON VISITS	0	0	0	0									0	57,573
VOLUNTEER HOURS	0	5	18	16									39	1,704