



CITY OF STAYTON

MEMORANDUM

TO: Mayor Quigley and the Stayton City Council

FROM: Janna Moser - Library Director

DATE: August 21, 2023

SUBJECT: July Library report

In July, Jennifer, Stephanie, and Janna offered family-friendly activities and books each week on Mondays at the Middle School Summer Meal Site in an exciting new collaboration with North Santiam School District. Summer performer Alex Zerbe - The Zaniac entertained a crowd of almost 150 with a dynamic array of beatboxing, juggling, magic and amazing stunts. Vikki Gasko Green presented a delightful mix of ventriloquism and magic to over one hundred children and parents. The University of Oregon's Museum of Natural and Cultural History presented Oregon Rocks. Over seventy people joined Jennifer and Nicole and dug into rocks, fossils, earthquakes, and volcanoes through hands-on activities, discovering the dynamic forces that have shaped Oregon's landscape over time.

A massive crowd of children, parents, and caregivers joined Jennifer, Kim, and Nicole each week for Storytime in Community Center Park. Jennifer and Evie opened the Readers Café, and children and family members joined them to "taste" some new children's titles, explore new book options and take home a book of their choice to keep. Jennifer, Rachel, and Nicole led Hero Kids Questing, a fast-paced and fun introduction to role-playing games designed for children ages 4-10. Children and parents explored process art with stations of unique art techniques with Jennifer and Janna. Jennifer, Kim, and volunteers Nicole and Maddy Morgan, Brandon and Madilynn presented a puppet show version of Richard Morris' book *Bear Came Along*. Afterwards, all attendees helped turn the story into an art display. Rachel, Jennifer, and Janna ran a Pixicade Workshop lab for an hour every afternoon for a week for children to explore a mobile game creator that allows them to draw their own simple video game, play it and then share the game they created.

Stephanie, Jennifer, and Evie hosted a LEGO challenge with a series of timed building competitions as well as a free-build area, and we also hosted a team puzzle competition. Twenty-two teens joined Stephanie and Janna to paint and accessorize their own LEGO

minifigures with that Evie cast out of resin. Stephanie, Jennifer, and Evie ran two sessions of an Escape the '80s Escape Room for teens. Teens made magnetic poetry kits with Stephanie and Nicole. Rachel presented a Dungeons and Dragons Writer's Workshop for adults and teens to learn the tools to create their own complex D&D adventures and ran a session of D&D for teens and adults.

Readers began exploring what the music notes they had earned were beginning to sound like together as they started creating their own musical masterpieces with the Build-a-Song Challenge. Summer Reading participants worked on customizing the shirts they earned with their reading to be ready to walk the red carpet at the Fashion Show. Volunteers Jackie W., Cati, April, and Korin provided scheduled sewing hours at the Library's Customization Station to help readers bring their creative designs to life. We took the Library to the Stayton Farmer's Market, and Stephanie, Jennifer, and Janna hosted a booth at Summerfest in partnership with the Friends of the Library.

2023-2024 Monthly Library Statistics															
	July	August	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	March	April	May	June	2023-24 YTD	2022-2023	
TOTAL CHECKOUTS															
Physical items	13,868												13,868	138,168	
Digital items (ebooks + downloadable audio)	2,123												2,123	22,240	
INCOME RECEIVED															
Non-resident cards	\$0.00												\$0.00	\$934.00	
Fines: overdue & lost books	\$0.00												\$0.00	\$7,270.33	
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REFERENCE QUESTIONS	552												552	5,957	
NEW PATRON CARDS	118												0	910	
INTERNET USE	156												156	1,720	
PROGRAMMING															
Children & adults at Children's Programs	1,700												1,700	8,096	
Teens	60												60	502	
Adults	186												186	1,463	
													TOTAL PROGRAM ATTENDANCE	1,946	10,061
Outreach books	586												586	4,521	
PATRON VISITS	3,635												3,635	38,718	
VOLUNTEER HOURS	121												121	1,107	