



CITY OF STAYTON

M E M O R A N D U M

TO: Mayor Quigley and the Stayton City Council

FROM: Janna Moser - Library Director

DATE: January 17, 2023

SUBJECT: December Library report

In December, fifty people joined Jennifer and Nicole for a special winter-themed storytime at Hiatt Christmas Tree Farm in Sublimity. Stephanie and Evie provided program support and hot chocolate to all participants. We gave away a free book to all children at the event thanks to funding from the Abigail Scott Duniway Chapter of the DAR and the Stayton Friends of the Library. Thank you to Brent Hiatt for partnering with us and helping us make this special event possible. Evie hosted our Holiday Party, and all Library staff helped celebrate our volunteers, Friends of the Library, Library Board, and Library Foundation board members. We also thanked our teen volunteers on a Saturday with donuts and holiday treats.

Jennifer read stories at Stayton Elementary School's caroling event, and Nicole provided program support. We gave away free books to all children at the event thanks to funding from the Stayton Friends of the Library. One hundred and thirty people joined us to decorate gingerbread cookies. Children created game board mazes and practiced their coding skills at our drop-in Maker Lab. Rachel hosted a Dungeons and Dragons game for first-timers or experienced players ages 12 and up, and the adult book club met with Stephanie to discuss *Eight Perfect Murders* by Peter Swanson. Adults and teens made gnome ornaments. Rachel presented family-friendly ghost stories, cookies, and cocoa at our Spirits of Christmas: Victorian Ghost Stories program.

People of all ages made lanterns and joined us outside for a Winter Solstice Lantern walk along a lighted path around Community Center Park. Thank you to Korin, Josie, Alissa, Lysie, Chief Johns, Sergeant Butler, Ofc Leonard, Ofc Munoz, and Ofc Pindell for helping us set up and light luminary bags along the path in the park. The community helped us create a Holiday Lights Map highlighting houses and neighborhoods lit for the season. It was accessed over 200 times on festive drives to enjoy the lights.

Jennifer represented Stayton at the Oregon Library Association Children's Services Division meeting and the Polk, Yamhill and Marion counties (PYM) Children's Services meeting. Janna presented at the PYM Children's meeting about a CCRLS electronic resource project she is working on with the Library Director in Newberg and CCRLS staff.

Upcoming events:

- All Ages: Scrambled Reading Challenge - January 3 – February 14
- Family Storytime: January 17 at 11:00am
- Kids Monthly Maker Lab: January 17-20 (drop-in) - 3:30pm-4:30pm
- Teen Maker Lab: Miniature Herbarium Bottles – January 19 at 4:00pm
- Family Fit & Fun: January 20 at 11:00am
- Family Storytime: January 24 at 11:00am
- Baby and Toddler Time: January 25 at 11:00am
- Adults: Book Discussion - *The Department of Rare Books and Special Collections*: January 25 at 4:00pm
- Teens & Adults: Dungeons & Dragons: January 26 at 5:30pm
- Family Fit & Fun: January 27 at 11:00am
- AARP Tax-Aide: Wednesdays by appointment – starting February 1
- Art Show Opening Reception: February 3 at 6:00pm
- Kids Monthly Maker Lab: February 7-10 (drop-in) - 3:30pm-4:30pm
- Children: Teddy Bear Tea Party: February 11 at 2pm
- Teens: Life Size Clue: February 18 at 12:00pm

2022-2023 Monthly Library Statistics														
	July	August	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	March	April	May	June	2022-23 YTD	2021-2022
TOTAL CHECKOUTS														
Physical items	12,131	11,779	11,053	11,095	11,153	10,700							67,911	131,500
Digital items (ebooks + downloadable audio)	1,921	1,853	1,765	1,732	1,763	1,767							10,801	20,980
INCOME RECEIVED														
Non-resident cards	\$0.00	\$170.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$130.00							\$300.00	\$954.00
Fines: overdue & lost books	\$0.00	\$689.07	\$514.10	\$439.50	\$0.00	\$312.59							\$1,955.26	\$5,059.71
Room fees	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00							\$0.00	\$0.00
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REFERENCE QUESTIONS	548	524	478	483	464	408							2,905	5,747
NEW PATRON CARDS														
	96	85	74	84	71	54							319	575
INTERNET USE														
	158	154	155	157	126	125							875	1,708
PROGRAMMING														
Children & adults at Children's Programs	1,803	461	295	815	280	405							4,059	7,063
Teens	45	0	46	22	7	2							122	648
Adults	283	129	49	225	8	20							714	638
Outreach books	593	288	268	289	243	374							2,055	3,188
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PATRON VISITS	3,325	3,362	2,740	3,312	2,670	2,672							18,081	28,055
VOLUNTEER HOURS														
	95	89	55	98	74	89							499	885