



Edgewood Community Library

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LIBRARIAN REPORT

April 2012

The Library has had a fairly busy month. Andrea delivered postcards for the Summer Reading Program to the area schools. The postcards are also being placed in patron's books to remind them that the summer is near, and the program is here! The library carpets were cleaned on the second of April, and Andrea's husband kindly came in to hang the shelving for the Juvenile Graphic Novel section. Also hung at the same time were literature holders, in the front under the window, which cleaned up the table! They all look nice, and will be very useful to have. This month we also celebrated Volunteer Appreciation Week. A cake was ordered from Smith's, and ice cream bought, to thank our volunteer's for all of the hard work they put in for us, consistently. Thank you all, we could not do this without each and every one of you, and your dedication to the library!

April was the first full month for new Assistant librarian, Barbara Hambek. She was certified in CPR and First Aid on April 5, 2012. This is a challenging but fun job, and she is looking forward to many more months (and years?) to come. One of the challenging moments was when Andrea went on maternity leave (starting April 16, 2012), and Barb was left in charge. Andrea had a baby girl, Saturday, April 14, after her last day in the library on Friday the 13th. By all accounts mom, dad, and Lila Rae are doing well and settling in to the new phase of their lives! Congratulations Andrea and Nick, I hope that everything is going well for you and your family.

Also in April, three fire extinguishers were installed in the library, one in the meeting room by the exit door, one just outside the meeting room door by the videos, and a third on the northwest side of the library by the bank of computers. There were two tests proctored during the month of April, and Read Write continues to use the meeting room for tutoring students once or twice a week. During April the Police officer that had been helping in the library due to an injury, went back to his regular job, as on April 17 he was declared healthy enough to go back to the police department. He spent the rest of that week with the library, but is now back to his usual duties. The warmer weather of April seems to have had an impact on the Weekly Story Time, as attendance seems to have been dropping. Many of the regular attendees are still arriving, and enjoying the stories and activities with their young children. The public outreach with Smarty Pants Daycare is ongoing, and is a very fun time for the assistant librarian, and also, hopefully, for the pre-schoolers! There were two book barn sales during April; unfortunately not many books were sold at the first one, but the Friends who were here took the opportunity to clean out the Book Barn and make room for more donations. The second sale was more productive.

The Library Automation system sent notice during April that they now have an app for mobile users. They are having a few issues, so it has not yet been put on the website to inform the patrons. When it is available, the patrons will be able to access the library catalog from their mobile devices, such as iphones, laptops, mobile phones, tablets, etc.

Programs: Weekly Story Time
Programs: 4
Total Attendance: 106

Meetings: Library Board
Meetings: 1
Attendance: 6

Read Write Adult Literacy
Meetings: 5
Attendance: 10

Other: Friends of Our Library Society
2 book sales

Smarty Pants Daycare Outreach
Meetings: 1
Attendance: 23

Statistics: Adult Visitors: 995
Children: 556
TOTAL DAY LIBRARY VISITORS: 1,551
CHECKOUTS and RENEWALS: 1,425

Volunteer Logged Hours: 176.75

Internet: 615 Reference: 133

Respectfully Submitted,
Barbara Hambek, Assistant Librarian