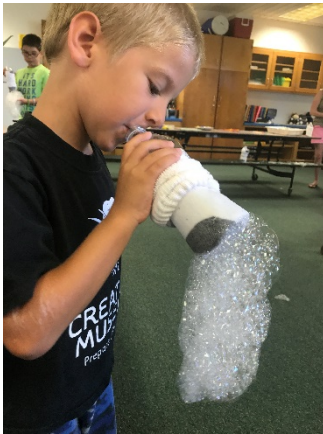




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Librarian Report July 2017

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A participant experiments with bubbles during Weekly Story Time

The whirlwind of activity that began with the Grand Opening in June, persisted throughout July! The library stayed very busy helping with Town events, hosting regular library programming/outreach, and most importantly, holding the remaining Summer Reading Program (SRP) events! The SRP ended on a high note with a pizza party (generously sponsored by Domino's again) and outdoor water activities complete with sprinklers, slip 'n' slide, water balloons, and water toys! A round of applause to SRP participants for bridging the summer reading gap with 780 hours read in just 5 weeks! Although *total* hours

read and attendance were lower than last year, due to having 5 events instead of 8, both

averages were higher this year. This means that, *on average*, SRP event attendance increased by 26% and participants read 18% more than last year! Thank you SRP participants, parents, sponsors, and volunteers for another successful program!

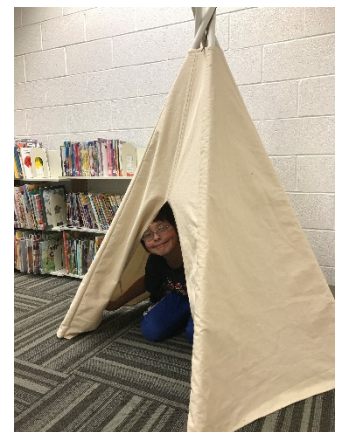


Youth volunteers at Water Fun Day



This participant is making "action art" during outreach with a local preschool

The library has received lots of meaningful feedback from the public regarding the new location. Most patrons are in awe of the increased square footage and potential for collection expansion, expressing how beautiful the new space is. Other observations point out possible safety hazards and/or shortcomings, offering additional insight on what needs to be improved upon to better serve the public. Although the list is long, the Town and the Moriarty-Edgewood School District are aware of the issues and are actively collaborating on solutions. Some issues have already been addressed; thank you for the helpful feedback, Edgewood!



Reading teepee donated by a library volunteer

On the same note, exciting new improvements to the library are gradually taking place to the delight of library staff and patrons alike! Library volunteers have graciously donated some furnishings to the children's area. One volunteer contributed a brightly colored rug for Weekly Story Time and a

cozy refurbished glider rocker for parents comforting infants. Another volunteer lovingly crafted 2 canvas teepees to serve as reading nooks and encourage imaginative play.

New steel shelving arrived in early July to alleviate overcrowding in the media and fiction sections. The media shelving was assembled and installed with items relocated and smartly organized in short order. Existing shelving for the southwest collection was cleverly retrofitted and securely mounted! Many thanks to the library volunteers who worked on this project and to James (maintenance dept)! Additional stand-alone shelves will be assembled and items shelf-shifted in the coming weeks.

The library received a special visitor recently

Attached, please find library monthly statistics, fiscal year statistics/graphs, & materials added report.



New media shelving with browser boxes