

Lisle Free Library – Director’s Report

Reporting: March 2021

COVID-19 Procedural Update:

Due to increased understanding of how coronavirus spreads within a community (mostly airborne and not through tactical transmission), FCLS is no longer requiring a quarantine period of lending materials. This enables quick turnaround of materials. After thorough discussion with other library directors and staff, it was determined that disinfecting lending materials once received back from patrons was an adequate best practice. Our staff have implemented this and are exercising continued due diligence with frequent hand washing or disinfecting and other common sense wellness procedures.

Programming:

Kiddo Craft – Grab n’ Go Bags: New Grab n’ Go Kiddo Craft bags are available every two weeks. They are still proving popular with young families and generated a lot of positive comments on our social media platforms. As of yet, all craft bag sessions have been completely utilized and at times extra bags have been required. We hope to ramp up this program as part of the Summer Reading Program.

Virtual Book Club: Book Club met virtually again this month. Attendance is slowly but assuredly increasing. April’s book, “Book Woman of Troublesome Creek”, seems to be a popular pick so far as several patrons have requested copies.

As the weather warms up, patrons have approached me about hosting the discussion group outside (still socially distanced and wearing masks). I think it would be nice to either meet on the front lawn or in a shelter at Dorchester Park and am exploring these options.

Easter Scavenger Hunt: We will be hosting a contact-free scavenger hunt on Easter weekend. We thought this would be a fun event for local families as other local groups are unable to host traditional Easter egg hunt.

Summer Reading Program:

Preliminary plans are being made for this summer’s program which will predominantly be self-guided activities and not include group activities hosted inside the building. A planning meeting is scheduled for early April.

Upcoming Events/Meetings:

- Grab n’ Go Kiddo Crafts
- Virtual Book Club: Thursday, April 22nd @ 6:30pm (Zoom)

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MONTH	BOOKS IN				ATTEND	?	MAT'L	BOOKS OUT				AUDIO			TOTAL	ILL STATS		TECHNOLOGY		
	AN	JN	AF	JF				AN	JN	AF	JF	MAGS	ADULT	JUV.		IN	OUT	COM	WIFI	WPV
Jan 2020	9	2	209	69	311	67	40	4	2	236	115	3	23	1	384	429	346	32	124	191
Feb 2020	7	0	156	56	293	74	53	11	2	166	53	10	10	3	255	322	324	29	116	250
Mar 2020	5	5	72	34	227	44	33	7	13	111	85	10	13	6	245	250	165	20	136	307
Apr 2020	-	-	-	-	0	0	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	-	-	0	60	151
May 2020	-	-	-	-	0	0	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	-	-	0	62	174
June 2020	-	-	-	-	0	0	0	1	0	49	45	1	3	1	100	100	89	0	90	172
Jul 2020	-	-	-	-	20*	0	0	4	0	41	6	2	10	0	63	60	227	0	124	171
Aug 2020	0	0	37	13	58*	30	0	5	1	70	16	0	8	0	100	62	217	0	124	158
Sept 2020	4	1	24	2	110	40	0	17	6	70	15	2	11	6	127	96	217	0	150	119
Oct 2020	4	1	74	15	127	33	8	18	1	157	31	10	9	4	230	166	256	3	155	187
Nov 2020	15	1	93	26	152	33	4	22	5	179	47	3	15	14	285	205	281	2	150	131
Dec 2020	9	2	109	40	152	27	9	21	4	182	51	5	15	11	289	200	274	2	124	151
Jan 2021	5	0	138	51	147	40	11	16	1	158	63	2	1	18	259	193	254	6	93	118
Feb 2021	4	1	84	33	184	48	17	31	5	181	39	6	10	8	280	196	227	7	112	135
Mar 2021	8	0	75	74	264	42	13	32	21	198	142	8	3	5	409	287	258	0	93	171

*Curbside Pick-up