

Youth Services at a Glance

October 2024

Teacher Packs- 2

Youth Programs- 38

Youth Attendance- 1170

General Interest Programs- 9

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Program Highlights

The library was decorated with colorful flowers and flags as we helped the community celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month in October. The youth department had educational displays and cultural crafts throughout the month for patrons of all ages to learn more about the diversity within and around our amazing community!

Homeschool Heroes is at it again! Our October field study was held at 1000 Islands Environmental Center with Mr. Brad leading students down the river to hunt for crayfish and other aquatic invertebrates. The class learned how to identify crayfish and their body segments and were shown how to safely handle them before working in groups to catch them for closer examination. Bare feet and cold toes only added to the fun of the experience. Who knew how elusive these little invasive critters could be?

Storytimes have reached an exceptional level of attendance, with programmers leading on average 40-50 attendees at each storytime. Library staff anticipates even more participation with Appleton closing at the end of November. Bring on the crowds!



Community Outreach & Collaboration

Kaukauna Public Library had all the fun this October participating in Fall Fest and the Aurora Trunk or Treat making connections with families and our youngest friends! Of course, we did not forget the importance of



creating relationships with our soon-to-be adult members, so we hosted a Teen Paranormal Night with 1000 Islands Environmental Center and the Ghostly Players. A clear view of the moon created the ideal setting for a bonfire with s'mores as attendees shared stories and listened to accounts from past paranormal investigations.

Kaukauna Area School District held its ELL Family Night at the library this fall. Sandwiches, crafts, games, and books- oh my! Every family was invited to sign up for a free book pack in their native language courtesy of the Dollar General Family Literacy Grant awarded to KPL this past summer. With special community guests from Fox Valley Technical College, the Community Clothes Closet Inc., and Multicultural Coalition Inc., families could gather information on additional resources while exploring the library together.



