

Report of the Librarian for October/November 2023 Activities

Unfinished Business:

The library director meeting that Megan hosted in Lebanon went very well. The Mayor and City Manager spoke and were very well received with several directors saying they wish they had bosses like the two that we have.

New staff are fitting in well and having fun working with us!

New Business:

Our new bike rack was installed.

Megan will be applying for grants to potentially update the circulation desk to be more accessible for staff and patrons. We are also looking at grants for a shared social worker position with the SHPD.

Collection updates:

We continue to try and make the most of our space. We have added a shelf for graphic novels aimed at an older audience. We will be adding a shelf for Spanish/Bilingual language children's books soon.

Last month we highlighted our collections on social media with an odd holiday that was celebrated on that day. This month we are highlighting books for Native American Heritage month. We have gotten a good response and a number of people coming in to check out items or just new patrons in general because of the posts.

Building issues:

None this month!

Additional construction for the outside update might start before Thanksgiving break.

In building updates:

We are continuing to find ways to make the children's area more inviting and comfortable. The teen space should be finished being updated soon!

We have added more dividers and signage to our Non-fiction collection to make browsing easier.

Passive Programming:

Our craft table is back and still popular.

In-person Programming:

Storytime continues to be popular. We have lots of programs coming up in the next several months, Kira continues to make connections in town and get things scheduled. We will be hosting a monthly trivia night at the Rusty Bucket. We will be hosting weekly movie and game nights for teens soon.

Halloween storytime at the SHPD was a hit. Officer Sanchez read stories on his second day on the job and had a great time meeting lots of kids.

New Building:

No new updates this month.