

Report of the Library Director for Jan/Feb 2025 Activities

Collection updates:

We have received hundreds of DVD donations in the last month. We are adding the ones that are in the best shape and our patrons would watch. Because of this we have had to add an additional DVD shelf. DVDs continue to be our top checked out collection with many people visiting daily to check out more DVDS. Our teen graphic novel section has also had another shelf added. Graphic novels are the top checked out item for our teens.

Building issues:

We have replaced a second public toilet with a new high powered toilet. We have also added sharps containers in each of the public bathrooms. Hopefully this combination will stop toilets from becoming clogged so often. We had a power surge recently when a transformer blew nearby, this caused the heating system to not work for several hours and for a blower fan to cease to work. The fan has been replaced and everything is working again.

In building updates:

Our Seed Lending Library opened on February 4th. We have given out hundreds of packets of seeds already. Our normal source for seeds is no longer available, but we have had several other companies step up to donate large quantities of seeds to us.

In-person Programming:

Our sourdough class had more interest than we had space for. We added a second class and still have way more interest in the class than we have space for.

Our Lego Creator Club is close to reaching maximum available space each week. We have several additional Lego donations on their way, so Legos aren't going to run out any time soon!

New Building:

No new updates

Other updates:

We have received a donation from Sunshine Industries to cover the costs for having a paid Summer Teen Internship again this summer. We are waiting to hear back on several other grants that could cover a variety of needs from an additional teen intern to a new handicap access door to books for our summer reading program. Unfortunately many grant sources have been cutoff due to recent government changes, specifically grants related to technology, health and rural communities.