

Branch Manager Report

11/15/21

Bathsheba Orlando

We had a successful "Halloween Week" – we had 206 people reserve "treat/craft" bags for their kids!

We also handed out 50 "treat bags" to our adult patrons who stopped in the library. They get very excited when we do this every year ;)

Our "Clay Pot Scarecrow" Craft for kids is scheduled for November 15-20 and we have signed up 136 kids as of now...We are prepped for 160.

Our "Mod Podge Photo Ornament" for adults is also scheduled for November 15-20 and we have 50 adults signed up and we have closed registration unless people want to be added to a "waitlist".

We have our December Craft Kits in the works:
Kids – Snowglobes, Adults: Resin Bookmarks

As I mentioned at our last board mtg, we had a family come to do "library skills" to fulfill part of their homeschool curriculum. It went really well and we are going to tweak the "program" a bit and then offer the opportunity to other homeschoolers in the new year.

We are also planning for our first ever visit with Santa and his elves on Saturday, December 4 from 10:30am-3:00pm and we are so incredibly excited for this!

We put out a "Save the Date" on facebook and the response has been incredible. We have the professional photographer who volunteered their time all set – she is providing the backdrop, lights, and even a chair for santa! She is going to give the adults a code to access the pictures she takes online and they can print them out from there at no cost.

We also have our Santa Suit all ready to go - a patron donated it to us to use for the event. Sebastian will be our Santa and he is looking forward to it. Ashley and I have our elves costumes all ready and they are adorable ☺

We are working on the logistics of the event –we expect it to be (controlled) chaos but we thrive in chaos! We are prepping miniature stockings filled with goodies to give to the kids who come that day...

We had our volunteer Notary come in October and unfortunately, nobody came for her services. However, we did have a patron that came in a week later requiring a notary and I messaged our person and she was able to meet up with the patron and get his documents notarized. She is scheduled to come again to the library on November 20 for a few hours.

Mondays (9-12) have been fairly quiet at the library but I appreciate the time it allows me to get things done that I normally can't find the time to do!