

## **End of November**

The website officially went live Nov. 19<sup>th</sup> and was announced on Facebook on Nov. 21<sup>st</sup>. As of 12/09/21, we've had 2,370 page views and 1,068 individual user sessions since going live. 52% of our users access the site through desktop, 41% access the site through mobile devices, and 7% of users access via tablet devices. Thank you to the board, our patrons, and staff on their patience and help in developing the new site! If you haven't had a chance to check it out yet, please visit. The Calendar of Events is up, which allows patrons to see upcoming programs.

NaNoWriMo and 'Write Night' ended on the last Friday of the month, which was the day after Thanksgiving. Overall, we had three participants throughout the month. All three participants expressed interest in some sort of writing club/program and continuing/expanding 'Write Night'. I hope to repeat the program again in April, which is National Poetry Month.

Kids Craft Kits were much more successful in November. We prepared for 40 kits and gave out 32. Patrons are excited about having something to take home!

## **December**

We started December with the kids' craft kits ("Shadow Box") ready to go! We are using *SignUpGenius* for registrations, and in 2 days of registration being live we have 19 signups. We've prepared for 60 kits with the hope that extra advertising and information will drum up interest.

Friday 'Story Time!' continues to have 4+ attendees each week with new and repeating attendees. 'Story Time!' continues to be Fridays 10 am – 11 am. ST is canceled Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve.

On Thursday December 30<sup>th</sup> we are having a 'Middle School Hangout' at Catskill from 3 pm – 6 pm. The Youth Room will be closed to patrons who are not CCSD Middle Schoolers. Middle Schoolers can come and go as they please, and we'll have some games to play and some activities. The intention is to give Middle Schoolers a place to hang out during Winter Break. I've reached out to Thomas McAlister, the Library media Specialist for the middle school, to ask if we'd be able to hand out flyers at the school.

Aside from programming, we've had exciting webinars and trainings this month; I attended a Summer Reading symposium and an introduction to social media webinar. Ben, Gabe and I attended the Turning Outward Cohort Program webinar through the MHLS.

## **Upcoming**

Planning for the spring and 2022 Summer Reading is underway! Gabriel and I are meeting over a Spring Story Walk program. The Symposium for Summer Reading hosted by the Collaborative Summer Reading Program, which went over the 2022 theme ('Oceans of Possibilities'), programs, partnerships, and promotion ideas, was a huge help for brainstorming summer reading 2022. I'm excited to bring some of the panel info to library staff!

January's Kids' craft is a paper lantern!