

## **Youth Services Librarian Report**

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#### **End of February**

Programming: *Library Lovers Raffle* ended with 19 participants, mainly in the younger category. We've opened up *Lego Club* to allow tweens and teens to attend as well, which gave us a total of 30 attendees across the month. In January, we had only 14 total attendees across the month.

#### **March**

Programming: We saw a large bump in weekly programming in early March with about a dozen attendees in *Story Time!* and *Game Club*. *Silly Scientists* has seen its lowest attendance since its start, though still attracts walk-ins and day-of registrations. We believe the lower attendance might have to do with the nice weather. On the whole, traffic in the youth room has been lower on days when the weather is good.

Outreach: *Books & Breakfast* continues to have over a dozen attendees as well, and in March's *B&B* I was able to sign a community member up for a card. As part of our attempt to elevate our partnership with the HCHC, we've offered use of our Library as a mobile office space for tabling, much like we do with Sen. Hinchey's office. We continue to connect with community organizations in preparation for Summer Reading.

#### **Upcoming**

End of March: Our final *Silly Scientist* of the 6-month test-run is on March 27th. We have received very positive feedback for the program overall, and we are in the process of surveying attendees to evaluate and improve on the program. We plan on bringing it back after a break. The all-ages '*Clue Party*' is scheduled for March 22nd, and Dale and I have been busy preparing and advertising for it.

April: Aside from our regular programming and continued Summer Reading preparations, Dale and I are planning on another joint program. We hope to repeat our Earth Day programming at the Beattie-Powers Place in late April.