Medway Public Library Director's Report April 6, 2021

There were 4,254 checkouts during March, and 816 patrons used curbside checkout and home delivery.

Programs in March:

- Thursday and Friday Story Times Online Live
- Monday and Wednesday Yoga & Mindfulness for Kids and Teens Online Live
- PAWS to Read Online Live
- Take and Make Kits
- Among Us
- Kids' Kits
- Circuit Cards Teen Kits & Zoom
- Animal Crossing Gaming Sessions
- "Dandelions,' a Jean-Francoise Millet Inspired Pastel Painting Workshop with Greg Maichack

Programs in April will include:

- Thursday and Friday Story Times Online Live
- Monday and Wednesday Yoga for Kids and Teens Online Live
- Animal Crossing
- Among Us Gaming Sessions
- STEAM Thursdays
- PAWS to Read

Children's/YA Librarian Report (Audrey Snowden):

The live program attendance numbers are a little up from February, in part because we started a weekly gaming program on Tuesdays, and have had consistent success with it. We'll do it again through April. Yoga is still popular, and we have gotten PAWS to Read onto a regular schedule, every two weeks. April should look pretty similar to this month, in terms of programming; we'll add in some more gaming on a few Wednesdays.

Makerspace

We are going to start a new session of Arduino coding & robotics starting in May.

STEAM Thursday was held on Mar 11 & 26.

Worked with Children's/YA Librarian to make take & make kits

Meetings & Webinars in March included:

Strategic Planning 2022

Zoom meetings with directors of small libraries in Massachusetts

Massachusetts Library System - Strategic Planning 2022

Microsoft OneDrive for Business & Microsoft Teams Training (Town)

Minuteman Library Network Membership Committee Minuteman Library Network Circulation Interest Group (Diane Busa attended)

Meetings & Webinars in April will include:

Department Heads Meeting

Zoom meetings with directors of small libraries in Massachusetts
New England Library Association/Information Technology Section meeting
PLA Webinar: Data that Counts: An Introduction to Census Data for Public Libraries
Prejudice: Responding to prejudicial comments from customers (Ryan Dowd seminar)
Understanding COVID-19 Vaccines: A REALM Project Webinar

Building

The floor tiles that were affected by the flood were replaced.

The mason is working on repairing the stone steps at the emergency exit.

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