

Coconino County Library District Report

November 2, 2016



- * Secretary of State Michele Reagan's Ice Cream Student Mock Election held on September 30 was a success. The event was held at the East Flagstaff Community Library. Program activities included learning about voting, campaigning for a cause, becoming an educated voter, casting ballots, and seeing how results tallied. Over 25 people attended. Secretary Reagan was on hand to talk to students about voting and many students had their picture taken with Secretary Reagan. One student involved in the election process told the Secretary, "You have inspired me".
- * Hundreds of new library cards were issued throughout the Coconino County Library system in September, National Library Card Sing-up Month. Library staff is grateful to the Arizona Daily Sun and the Navajo Times for helping to get the word out on this annual event.
- * The PALSmobile represented the Library at National Night Out in August. This event was hosted by the Flagstaff Police Department and celebrates the positive efforts in neighborhoods and declares a unified effort against crime.
- * East Flagstaff Community Library staff has begun a partnership with Sunnyside Radio and Market of Dreams. Staff dropped off programming flyers to the radio station and they have begun promoting library events in both English and Spanish.
- * The Grand Opening of the Early Literacy Stations at North Country Healthcare, funded by an LSTA Grant, on August 5th was a great success. Leadership from North Country and the Library Director were on hand for the ribbon-cutting. The project has exceeded expectations and in September there were 2,003 use sessions!
- * Flagstaff Libraries participated in the Flagstaff Festival of Science, in collaboration with the Arizona Science Center, which made a visit to the library to teach kids about the most amazing chemical on the planet: water!
- * Both the PALSmobile and Bookmobile represented the Library at the Coconino County Fair.
- * The PALSmobile partnered with the Science Festival program at Science in the Park in September.
- * The Library celebrated the 100th birthday of the National Parks, and the 100th birthday of children's author Roald Dahl.



*Quarterly statistics for
Coconino County branches
(July-September 2016)*

Wi-Fi Sessions– 27,343

Hits to the website– 113,769

Online catalog searches– 87,896

People in attendance– 183,630

Library card holders– 76,887

New library card holders– 2,210

Materials circulated– 261,439



Branches

Tuba City Public Library

- * A Flagstaff Artist Coalition member traveled to Tuba City to present the first of eight workshops, funded by an LSTA Grant. The first class on beeswax candle rolling was very well-attended with participants ranging in age from preteens to elders who came from the Moenkopi Senior Center. Over the next 2 months, artists will conduct workshops in jewelry making, painting, photography, and more.
- * Play & Learn at the Library hosted a Coconino County Public Health class in collaboration with First Things First. The program includes crafts, songs, learning activities, and nutritional information provided for parents. Healthy snacks are being enjoyed as part of this collaborative partnership.



Forest Lakes

- * The Forest Lakes Owner's Association presented the Library with a check for \$800.00 on the last day of September. The Forest Lakes Community Library will be meeting representatives of the FLOA in the coming months to aid in the planning of their upcoming fundraising events.
- * The Wild Wandering Women of Forest Lakes took two field trips that were very well attended, 35+ people. On September 8th, the group traveled to Winslow, AZ and took a tour of the historic La Posada hotel. On September 29th the group travelled to Young, Arizona for what was going to be a tour of the local quilt shop followed by apple picking; unfortunately weather affected the plans and the group instead enjoyed a lunch meeting at a local restaurant.

Grand Canyon

- * Several workers from the Grand Canyon Railroad have discovered the library and are spending time relaxing between the arrival time and departure of the train each day.
- * August was the busiest month of the season with tourists from all over the world finding the Grand Canyon Public Library.

Correctional Facility

- * Jail population at the end of September was 455 inmates. Library staff at the Detention Center have been very busy serving this high number of customers.
- * Staff reports that accessing the book collection and periodicals is much easier now that the facility improvement project has been completed. This month there was some time to catch up on book repair and shelving.
- * Staff made some changes to periodical subscriptions to better accommodate inmate requests. America's Horse and Men's Fitness were added, and due to low interest, Ebony and Audubon were cancelled.

Affiliates

Fredonia

Change is in the air. A long-standing employee left and staff have been busy training in her replacement while finishing up summer programming.



Sedona

- * The Sedona Public Library received the 2016 Customer Service Award, given by the Sedona Chamber of Commerce and Tourism Bureau.
- * They received the 2016 Spirit of Sedona Community Collaborator Award from the Arizona Community Foundation of Sedona. This award recognizes the Library's successful work in bringing individuals and groups together to benefit the community.
- * Verde Valley Weavers and Spinners Guild, and Sedona Camera Club both displayed an array of artwork at the Library in September.

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*Page Library Statistics
(July-September 2016):*

People in Attendance— 38,807

Library Card Holders— 14,770

Reference Questions— 12,223

Materials Circulated— 23,965

WiFi Sessions— 16,919

Public Computer Sessions— 11,346

Programs— 126

Attendance at Programs— 1,343



Williams

Staff have been busy with their photo digitization project. They were surprised by how many community members had photographs they wanted to be included.

