



JUNE 2023

MONTHLY

REPORT

From the Director

June got off to a fantastic start with the kickoff of our Summer Reading Program. The Summer Reading Program is a fun way for all ages to make reading a regular part of their summer routine. There are three ways to play. Read 20 minutes a day for 20 days to complete the Reading Log. Engage in 10 science "explorations" to complete the Science Log. Try your hand at the reading and activities in the Bingo Card. Completed logs and cards get entered into age-appropriate prize drawings. The Summer Reading Program runs through August 31.

Youth programs returned June 20. Baby & Toddler Time resumed their twice weekly programs on Tuesdays at 10:30am and 11:15am. New for the summer is "Stories & Science" on Wednesdays at 10:30am and 12pm, where the youth librarians perform a story and a science demonstration. Thursday Fun Shows at 11am in Murase Plaza featured musician Mo Phillips on June 22 and Dragon Puppet Theater on June 29, with over 250 people attending each show. Teen summer events are on Tuesday afternoons and featured a Scavenger Hunt on June 20 and an outdoor community project on June 27.

In honor of Pride Month, the library featured a book display with books by and about the LGBTQ+ community, and an online program about the legacy of the Stonewall Riots. Adult programs included "Systemic Racism in Oregon Schools," part of the Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) Committee Lecture Series and a Space Talk about the Mars rover "Perseverance". A business workshop for Spanish-speaking business owners was held in coordination with the Hispanic Metropolitan Chamber. The American Red Cross held two blood drives at the library. The Walking Book Club, Genealogy Club, and English (ESL) class met. The First Friday Film was *Missing*.

The Library Board, the Wilsonville Public Library Foundation, and the Friends of the Wilsonville Library held a joint picnic on June 22. The members had a pleasant time meeting each other and enjoyed the lovely evening in Memorial Park.

The proposed library budget for fiscal year 2023-2024 was adopted by City Council. Also approved by City Council was a grant through Community Cultural Events and Programs (CCEP) to the Wilsonville Public Library Foundation for a StoryWalk, which will consist of signs that hold pages of children's books at intervals along a park path and which can be rotated throughout the year.

-Shasta Sasser, Library Director