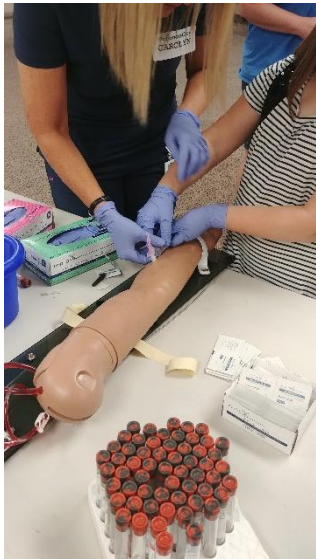


Safford Library

April 2017



ScienceCity

ScienceCity finished its programming for the school year with ScienceCity Career Day! Children grades 4th to 6th had the opportunity to visit with 6 different individuals, who worked in a field containing STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math). Each explained how they used STEM concepts within their profession. Local organizations that came included Gila Watershed, BLM, EAC Nursing, Freeport, the University of Arizona Agricultural Center, and Bull Family Dentistry. It was the end of 51 activities throughout the school year for ScienceCity with a total of 2,929 attending the programs. The library is looking forward to next year's program, especially after the recent awarding of the United Way Grant.

STEM Family Night

The library hosted its first once-a-month Family STEM Night. This is in response to requests for more evening STEM events after the success of our ScienceCity and Family Craft Night programs. For our first program on April 5th, we partnered with Arizona Science Center for Storybook STEM. Participants could go to different stations where there was a STEM activity, such as sorting insects from non-insects, and a book. The participants could have the book read to them, then do the activity, or vice-versa. We had nearly 70 participate, and look forward to more STEM Nights in the future.

Día de los Niños

In celebration of the day of the young child, the library hosted a program containing activities from around the world on April 30th. Countries represented included Mexico, Australia, Japan, China, the United States, and Columbia. Those in attendance were able to learn about each country while participating in activities representing each country.



Volunteer Appreciation Breakfast

As a thank you to our nearly 40 volunteers, the library staff hosted a breakfast. Volunteers could come and enjoy breakfast, while meeting other volunteers and sharing their best/favorite/most memorable moment as a volunteer.

Updates and Happenings Around the Library

Friends' Night Out – DISCover Yourself

The Safford Friends of the Library hosted DISCover Yourself on April 12th. It was an interactive activity where participants, through a series of questions, determined their behavior styles. By determining their behavioral styles, participants could learn to adapt their tendencies to fit different situations in their professional and personal lives.

The next Friends' Night Out will be Wednesday, May 30th at 5:30pm. The program will be an informational presentation about health, presented by Mark Marchetti.

Music @ the Library – Cavani String Quartet

The final performance of the season, presented by the Friends of the Safford Library, in partnership with the Gila Valley Arts Council. The Quartet's performed masterpieces by composers such as Mozart, Beethoven, along with playing compositions from living composers and answering audience questions about their work and the specific instruments each played.



School Tour

The library hosted Solomon Elementary school on April 17th. The 23 children and 9 adults had a short tour of the library and a science activity, which included making their own slime.

Library Outreach Events

Staff participated in four outreach events: Sierra Bonita and Bulldog Boulevard's Spring Programs, Greenlee County STEM Fair, and Dump the Drugs. The library was able to present information about services and programs to the community for all of the events

April 2018 Statistical Summary

Circulation total	7,291
Computer minutes	61,744
WI-FI users	468
Website visits	6,611
New library cards issued	76
Program attendance ages 0-5	426
Program attendance ages 6-12	346
Program attendance teens and adults	155
Outreach Attendance	971

Upcoming Events

May 3	Star Wars Day
May 3	Movie Screening (The Last Jedi)
May 5	Cinco de Mayo
May 15	Library Advisory Board Meeting
May 21	Safford Creative Writing Club Meeting
May 21	Friends' Book Club
May 24	Teen Program (Presented by Arizona Science Center)
May 30	Friends' Night Out (Presented by Safford Friends of the Library)

Ongoing Events

Baby Time (Mon), Toddler Time (Thurs), PreK Storytime (Wed)	10:30 am
Open Playtime (Learning toys & activities - Tues)	10 am
Teen Program (3 rd Thurs of every month)	3:30 pm
Coding Club (Wed, Thurs)	3:30 pm
ScienceCity (Tues)	Times Vary
Basic English Language Learners Classes (Mon, Wed)	5:30 pm
Lego Club (1 st Thurs of every month)	3 pm
Library Flicks (Monthly TBD)	
Retha's Storytime Outreach to Daycares (Weekly)	Times Vary



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