

Safford Library

July 2017



Summer Reading Program

The library finished the annual Summer Reading Program with a pool party at the Safford pool. 115 participants and their families came for the free swim, along with purchasing food from Higgybaby's and the Vegas Ice Shack.

Throughout the summer, over 1100 participated in library programming. The library would like to thank their sponsors: Walmart, Casa Manana, Ginaveve's, Kainoa's Hawaiian Grill, Ultimate Lasertag, Vegas Ice Shack, and the Friends of the Safford Library.



Brain STEM: The Science of Sound

Matt from Brain STEM illustrated how sound waves travel, explored frequencies, and introduced a very special guest star: The Rock & Roll Paperclip! About 140 came to the two performances July 10th.

Family Block Party

The library hosted a block party July 19th, where 129 participants of all ages could build using different types of materials from boxes to blocks to K-Nex to Legos.



Magic the Gathering Tournament



The third annual Magic the Gathering Tournament, sponsored by Amazing Discoveries, had 24 competitors and several spectators. Magic the Gathering is a trading card game that combines collectable cards with a strategy game.

Outreach Events

The library attended two outreach events: Graham County Back to School Resource Fair at Eastern Arizona College and the Free Family Fun Day at Victory Fellowship. Between both events, staff presented information about programs and services to about 790 individuals.

Updates

Cataloging Software

The library is in the process of preparing data for migration to the new cataloging software, Atrium. IT will be assisting with the migration of the data, starting in August.

Arizona State Library Leader's Summit

Victoria Silva attended the biennial two-day meeting where librarians from across the state discussed issues related to the future of Arizona Libraries. This included equal access for online resources and more collaboration amongst libraries throughout the state.

GED Testing Site

The library finished the final preparations to become a certified GED testing site, including contracting a proctor to administer GED testing. GED Testing will be available August 20th.

July 2018 Statistical Summary

Circulation total	9,645
Computer minutes	91,063
WI-FI users	483
Website visits	7,225
New library cards issued	102
Program attendance ages 0-5	545
Program attendance ages 6-11	626
Program attendance teens and adults	157
Outreach Attendance	821

August Events

Aug 14	Registration for Fall Programming
Aug 20	Friends' Book Club
Aug 27-28	First Things First Summit

Ongoing Programs

Baby Time (Mon), Toddler Time (Thurs), PreK Storytime (Wed)	10:30 am
Open Playtime (Learning toys & activities - Tues)	10 am
Retha's Storytime Outreach to Daycares (Weekly)	Times Vary



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