

Medway Public Library
Director's Report
February 1, 2022

In December, 160 patrons used curbside checkout and home delivery.

Programs in January:

- Thursday Story Time - Online Live
- Monday and Wednesday Yoga & Mindfulness for Kids and Teens - Online Live
- Take and Make Kits
- Among Us
- Dungeons & Dragons Campaign I
- STEAM up your Wednesdays
- Author Talk - David Baldacci, with Tewksbury Library

Programs in February will include:

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- Monday and Wednesday Yoga & Mindfulness for Kids and Teens - Online Live
- Take and Make Kits
- Among Us
- PAWS to Read
- Chess Group
- Dungeons & Dragons Campaign I
- STEAM up your Wednesdays

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

January saw a return to kits and an expansion of virtual programming. We've picked up a couple new people in our Tuesday gaming group, and we also began a D&D campaign. These types of programs (along with Facebook yoga) are bringing in consistent numbers, where our other virtual offerings, storytime and PAWS to Read, are not. We look forward to a return to in-person programming later in the year, when these programs will again pick up steam.

Makerspace Report

Makerspace visitor count January: 15 (not everyone has been signing guest book)

Workshops & Classes:

STEAM Wednesday - 1/26 via Zoom - 9 people

I have seen people using space for using the computers, VHS converter, laminator, sewing machines & 3D printer.

Upcoming February classes:

STEAM Wednesday - Feb 9 (hosted by WPI students) & 23 (via Zoom)

Meetings & Webinars in January included:

Zoom meetings with directors of small libraries in Massachusetts
Department Manager Meeting
Kickoff Meeting for Environmental Monitoring Program
Making Reasonable Accommodations (MA Municipal Association)
Massachusetts Library Association Programming Planning Section Meeting
Minuteman Library Network Reference Interest Group
Mass Library Association Programming Planning Meeting
Minuteman Library Network Membership Meeting
Massachusetts Leadership & Management Section Meeting
Medway Master Plan Meeting
United for Libraries Learning Live: Library Boards, Intellectual Freedom and Challenges

Meetings & Webinars in February will include:

Department Manager Meeting
Zoom meetings with directors of small libraries in Massachusetts
Training for Environmental Monitoring Program
Massachusetts Leadership & Management Section Meeting
Opioid Overdose Prevention Training
Mental Health Training
Massachusetts Library Association Programming Planning
Minuteman Demo of proposed library card sharing among networks
Zero Carbon program (co-sponsored with Ashland Public Library)
Authors Joseph L. Graves Jr and Alan Goodman Discuss Racism, not Race
(co-sponsored with Ashland Public Library)

Building and Grounds

The Library was closed on January 7th and 29th due to the snowstorms.

Other

The lower level was open 13 nights in December, used by 14 individuals and two meetings.

Margaret Y. Perkins, Library Director