

DIRECTOR'S REPORT
JANUARY 15, 2020

“The person who deserves most pity is a lonesome one on a rainy day who doesn't know how to read.” – Benjamin Franklin

Book Theme for January – Religious Freedom. The Chronicles of Narnia, Gilead, Left Behind, The Lovely Bones, The Pilgrim's Progress, The Shack, Siddharta, the Da Vinci Code, This Present Darkness

Christmas Raffle Winners – Stocking Arlene Murphy

Christmas Quilt Linda Page

2020 Explore Outdoors Passes are now available for free c to the following parks – Beaver Lake Nature Center, Highland Forest, Jamesville Beach Park, Oneida Shores Park, Pratts' Falls Park, Rosmond Gifford Zoo.

PROGRAMS

December 16 – Telescope workshop a presentation by Tyler Beagle of the Syracuse Astronomical Society. Provided information about using a telescope for astronomy, He discussed the different models available and what factors to consider in choosing one. He described the celestial bodies that can be observed with a telescope for every month of the year.

December 5, 12, 19 – Star Wars Family Programs hosted viewings of George Lucas' original 1977-1983 movie trilogy. On final night pizza was served and a Star Wars merchandise gift basket was raffled off. This event was organized in the hopes of capitalizing on the theatrical release of Disney's *Rise of Skywalker*. The thinking was that events geared toward significant pop culture topics might draw in the late teen to middle age demographic that few of our programs appear to serve. While the numbers were not great (mostly due to inclement weather and the pre- holiday rush) more programs directed towards these issues would be beneficial for library publicity and in our ongoing mission to serve all age demographics for our community.

January 4 – Saturday Sessions: Finance for Everyday People – Credit Report Playbook – How to stay up to date and manage finances. Discussed how much certain infractions or actions contribute to the raising or lowering of a credit score.

January 15 – Civil War Series – Discussion about Grant's Tennessee campaign at Forts Henry and Donnelson.

January 31 – Biography and Bios – *Eunice* – the biography of Eunice Kennedy Shriver

January 28 – Lincoln Study Group meets to explore the life and times of one of America's greatest presidents.

2020 Closing Schedule for Fairmount

New Year's Eve – December 31

New Year – January 1

Martin Luther King Day January 20

Easter

Saturday before Memorial Day – May 23

Memorial Day – May 25

Independence Day July 4

Labor Day - September 7

Thanksgiving Eve - November 26

Thanksgiving - November 27

Christmas Eve – December 14

Christmas – December 25

Day after Christmas – December 26

We are closed Saturdays from June 27th to September 12th

On January 29th at 10 AM Christian Zabriskie, the new director of OCPL will be here to read for Storytime.

Wanderer’s Rest – Our Christmas Charity was a huge success. Hundreds of pounds dry of pet food and animal toys were donated by staff members and patrons.

Little Movers K=159, A=147	Music is Magic: K=63 , A=48	Playtime! K=82, A=74	Preschool Craft K=75, A=69	Evening / Weekend Storytime: 22K/18A
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Spanish Class: 21K/ 18A