



Director's Report March 2021

1. BRIDGES stats for February are 60 checkouts, down from 79 the previous month.
2. Story Hour is Wed. mornings from 10-11. Pajama Party is the last Thursday of each month. I sent notes home with the Enarson Elementary about the Pajama Party. I had 2 students join me! All programs are via Zoom.
3. The new website is so much neater than the old website...hopefully will go "LIVE" this week 😊
4. I have already been asked if we will be offering a Summer STEM Fest, similar to the Winter STEM Fest. I'm talking with Deb Frazee about that possibility.
5. I applied for two STEM Awards: Storytime STEM-packs & Light and Shadow.
6. I'm getting excited about Summer Reading Program already! We are going with a totally different company, iRead, which is composed *by* librarians *for* librarians. This is through the Illinois State Library. This year's theme: **Reading Colors Your World!** Tie dye, squirt gun painting, string art, Sharpie tie dye, CD spinners, shaved crayon melts, sun catchers, etc. Now to try & narrow down the activities for the dates...
7. E-Rate initial form 470 has been filed. Deadline for filing Form 471 is March 25th. I have 2 other bids besides FMTC, but we will be going with FMTC. (Lowest price, high-speed fiber optic, already installed, no brainer there!).
8. Lions Club will be having their Spring Craft Show June 5th at the SWV gym (air-conditioned). That is also the same Saturday as the All-City Garage Sales. I will have a table at the craft show, not at the library for the garage sales.
9. Chat mobility contacted me about Chat's "Spotlight on Libraries" on their Facebook page. I sent them some history of the library and pictures.
10. Sue Narigon donated \$40 in Memory of Lorene Neal. She would like it spent on books in Lorene's memory.
11. I WILL contact Thriftbooks this week to get a pickup scheduled for the boxes of books that keep multiplying in the basement! Time for them to go!!! Then it needs a real good cleaning and re-organization. If the cardboard doesn't get used for Summer Program this year—it goes!
12. Puzzles are now being donated about as often as books 😊

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