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# **Library Board**

## **Monday, January 31, 2022**

### **Regular Meeting**

## **Item C1**

### **Approval of Director's Report**

*The Director's Report typically consists of:*

- 1) a monthly report of programs and activities, public use of meeting spaces, library media, and Librarians' Reports*
- 2) a quarterly Report of Household Library Cards Issued to Hall County Residents Outside of Grand Island provided in January, April, July and October of each year*
- 3) a quarterly statistical usage report provided in February, May, August and November of each year*
- 4) upon execution of agreement, regularly scheduled report of use of Grand Island Public Library Foundation library support funds*
- 5) upon publication, a Library newsletter*
- 6) and additional administrative items of note, either in the agenda packet or discussed at the meeting.*

**Staff Contact:**

# Library Director

Name: Celine Swan

Date: January 2022

## Since Last Report

### December

- Virtual Report/Media Report
- Hall County Quarterly Report for Oct.-Dec. (Interlocal advertisements in Hall Co.)
- Strategic Plan Retreat Saturday, Dec 4
- Met with City IT Dec 29 to address all of the needs of the Library
- Went to City Council Board Meeting for two resolutions to be approved: changing custodian position to maintenance 1 and passing the Bibliothecha SelfCheckout Project. Both were approved.
- Bygone Bookclub had 20 for the Coney Island Program
- Working with the Nebraska Department of Labor, partnership for job seekers
- DAR shelves-1 section came in that they purchased for the Heritage Room
- Winter Break, and Santa Program
- Pioneer Consortium Fiduciary Agent Change transferred to Nebraska Library Comm.

### Upcoming-Library work

- Ray will install bollards, need to train with HVAC Honeywell Replacement
- Laura received the 2022 ARPA Youth Grant for Excellence \$3,247 and we ordered 6 computers for teens using this grant and other ARPA grant money
- Leigh wrote a Youth Grant from the Greater Grand Island Foundation to supplement the additional teen materials-Wacon tablets, and Makerspace items needed-interview with
- Partnership Makerspace Programs with Central Community College February-May 2022. CCC Promotional Book went out to over 35,000 people
- Shaun/Celine working on updating library policies with Tanya and Ben waiting to work on after Strategic Plan
- Ray and temp-Robert have loaded up Better Books for pickup. 4 pallets.
- Advertised-Replacement of Custodian Position with Maintenance Worker I
- Library Annual Report to the Library Board to approve and get an affidavit and present to the City Council at Feb 8 meeting.
- Planning for Bear Fair first week in April, Summer Reading Programs
- 10 to Try Winter Reading Challenge with Beanstack in January 2022 for adults
- Adult Bygone Book Club Jan 8 Secret Brother, Solon Borglum-Jean Lukesh 25 attend, and local author talk-Mark Miller Jan. 10 7 attend
- Literacy Council/Multicultural Coalition/YWCA – MLK youth contest 2022 Jan. 17 wk
- Partnership with CHI Neurology for public program on Parkinson's, Teammates mentoring month
- Laura working on Every Child Ready to Read Area
- Working with City IT (2 new) on Technology Plan, putting out cpus, updating digital displays and Comprise update, putting cpu's/printer in, **Digital Lab,Children's Software**
- Switched from Chilton's to Alldata Jan 10, 2022. Alldata is available only inside library
- Promoting SORA with Northwest. Shaun is doing a Beanstack Promotion.
- Closed 1/17/2022 in Observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday
- H3C PIWI Parents Interacting with Infants Program and Literacy Summit

# Youth & Family Services Librarian Monthly Report

Laura Fentress

January 2022

## Since Last Report

### Winter break!

#### Snacks with Santa

**Sunday, December 19 1:00-6:00pm**

Crafts, treats, photos, and a Christmas story walk. Dale Nielsen of Chapman and his wife played the parts of Santa and Mrs. Claus.

	1:00	1:30	2:00	2:30	3:00	3:30	4:00	4:30	5:00	Total
Spaces available	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	45
Reserved (groups)	4	5	5	4	5	5	5	5	5	44
Attended (reserved)	3	5	2	4	4	5	4	5	2	32
Percentage	75%	100%	40%	100%	80%	60%	80%	100%	40%	73%
Walk-ins	2	0	0	1	0	0	0	3	0	6
Total attendance (groups)	5	5	2	5	4	5	4	8	2	40 (89%)

Average group size: 5

#### Approximate age breakdown:

Total attendance: 200

Kids 0-5: 50

Kids 6-11: 100

Adults 19+: 50

**Notes for next year:** With fewer attending than made reservations, we could expand registration next year to even 80 slots, pending staff availability.

#### Storytime with Santa

**Monday, December 20 10:30am**

Free photos with Santa after the storytime.

	Individual attendance	Group attendance
Spaces available	100	
Spaces reserved	102	30
Actual attendance (of those who reserved)	61 (61%)	20 (67%)
Waitlisted (walk-ins)	6	2
Total attendance	67 (67%)	22

**Notes for next year:** Could expand to 150 families, given attendance.

## Crane Trust Program

**Tuesday, December 21 10:30am**

Kids learned about sandhill cranes and folded an origami version. Alyx Vogel from the Crane Trust presented.

	Kids' program 10:30am	Teen program 2:00pm
Kids 0-5	1	0
Kids 6-11	5	0
Teens 12-18	0	0
Adults 19+	5	2

Kids' program went well. Will look into booking the Crane Trust for SRP 2022 programs.

## FOR KIDS AGES 5-10:

### Kids' Video Gaming

**Wednesday, December 22 10:30am**

Kids played Mario Kart and other Nintendo games.

	Attendance
Kids 0-5	0
Kids 6-11	12
Teens 12-18	0
Adults 19+	6

### Kids' Construction Challenge

**Tuesday, December 28 10:30am**

Kids built with Legos, straws, and more.

	Attendance
Kids 0-5	4
Kids 6-11	24
Teens 12-18	0
Adults 19+	13

This one had an unexpectedly large turnout and made the front page of the newspaper the following day. The kids had a lot of fun building the tallest things they could.



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### Kids' Musical Morning

**Wednesday, December 29 10:30am**

Kids experienced real musical instruments and made a maraca craft. Isaac Sulzle from Yandas Music in town brought in guitars, drums, a ukulele, and a keytar. I brought in an accordion, a harp, a bowed psaltery, an autoharp, a djembe, a jig doll, an ocarina, a tin whistle, and a recorder. Shaun lent a kalimba (thumb piano).

	Attendance
Kids 0-5	8
Kids 6-11	16
Teens 12-18	0
Adults 19+	15

## Kids' Noon Year's Eve-Eve Party

**Thursday, December 30 10:30am**

Kids counted down to the 12:00 (PM) hour with games and activities.

	Attendance
Kids 0-5	3
Kids 6-11	15
Teens 12-18	0
Adults 19+	10

The newspaper showed up for this one, too. More families with younger kids showed up for the "balloon drop" at the end (balloons on a parachute).



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**FOR TEENS AGES 11-18:**

## Teen Story Writing Workshop

**Monday, December 20 2:00pm**

Cathy Howard, English teacher at Central Catholic, led a writing workshop for teens.

	Attendance
Kids 0-5	0
Kids 6-12	2
Teens 12-18	2
Adults 19+	2

The small group format lent itself well to the workshop format. Response from the teens was overwhelmingly positive.

## Teen Board Game Jam

**Wednesday, December 22 2:00pm**

Teens designed their own board game with recycled pieces.

	Attendance
Kids 0-5	0
Kids 6-12	0
Teens 12-18	5
Adults 19+	2

## Teen Sock Craft

**Tuesday, December 28 2:00pm**

Teens made a sock snowman.

	Attendance
Kids 0-5	0
Kids 6-12	3
Teens 12-18	2
Adults 19+	3

## Teen Yoga

### ***Wednesday, December 29 2:00pm***

This was originally going to be a guest-taught in-person program, but due to COVID concerns was changed to a staff-led program with the help of YouTube.

	Attendance
Kids 0-5	0
Kids 6-12	0
Teens 12-18	1
Adults 19+	2

## Teen New Year's Eve-Eve Gaming

### ***Thursday, December 30 2:00pm***

Board games, card games, and video games were available.

	Attendance
Kids 0-5	0
Kids 6-12	0
Teens 12-18	7
Adults 19+	3

## Upcoming

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### ***Public Library Association Conference 2022 in Portland (March 23-25)***

Laura is planning to attend this. Grants have been applied for with the NLC and CPLS.

### ***Summer Reading 2022 planning has begun!***

#### **Big programs**

- Kickoff with "Captain Toby KID" May 23
- Musician Aaron Fowler & therapy dogs Bella and Choco July 18
- More to come!

# Video Stats for December



4 videos  
Total views 7

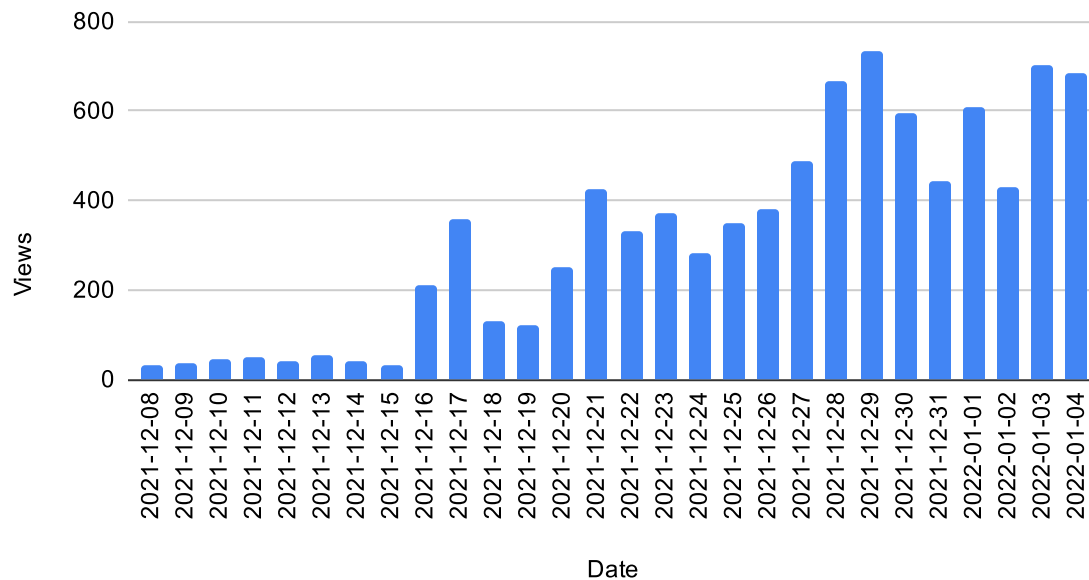


Total subs= 81

Total views 14,210

## Video stats last 28 days

Views vs. Date



<a href="#">City of grand island employee newsletter</a>	<u>12/1/2021</u>	City of Grand Island
<a href="#">Club Calendar-December 2021-Adult Book Club</a>	<u>12/5/2021</u>	GI Independent
<a href="#">Bygone Book Club to feature the 'Coney Island Story'</a>	<u>12/10/2021</u>	GI Independent
<a href="#">GRAND ISLAND PUBLIC LIBRARY: BETWEEN THE STACKS: Santa Claus is coming to</a>	<u>12/12/2021</u>	GI Independent
<a href="#">Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon</a>	<u>12/14/2021</u>	Library Newsletter
<a href="#">GIPL hosting writers' workshop for teens</a>	<u>12/16/2021</u>	GI Independent
<a href="#">Watch Now: Grand Island Public Library Hosts 'Cookies With Santa' Event</a>	<u>12/19/2021</u>	GI Independent
<a href="#">Grand Island Public Library hosting writers' workshop for teens</a>	<u>12/19/2021</u>	GI Independent
<a href="#">Santa Claus back in person at the Grand Island Public Library</a>	<u>12/19/2021</u>	Local4 KSNB
<a href="#">Santa, Mrs. Claus highlight of 'Snacks with Santa' at Grand Island Public Library</a>	<u>12/20/2021</u>	GI Independent
<a href="#">KRGi Interview</a>	<u>12/21/2021</u>	KRGi
<a href="#">Watch Now: Grand Island Public Library's 'Noon Years Eve' Event</a>	<u>12/29/2021</u>	GI Independent
<a href="#">Grand Island Library's Kid's Construction Challenge</a>	<u>12/29/2021</u>	GI Independent
<a href="#">Grand Island Public Library Adult Book Club</a>	<u>1/2/2022</u>	GI Independent
<a href="#">GRAND ISLAND PUBLIC LIBRARY:BETWEEN THE STACKS: Grand Island Library staff members share their favorites</a>	<u>1/2/2022</u>	GI Independent
<a href="#">Grand Island Public Library Adult Book Club</a>	<u>1/5/2022</u>	GI Independent
<a href="#">Former Grand Island teacher, coach reading portions of his book Monday</a>	<u>1/6/2022</u>	GI Independent
<a href="#">GRAND ISLAND PUBLIC LIBRARY: BETWEEN THE STACKS: What is Your Library Worth?</a>	<u>1/9/2022</u>	GI Independent
<a href="#">yourTicket: January Heritage Hour to explore life of Elizabeth Abbott</a>	<u>1/14/2022</u>	GI Independent
<a href="#">22 questions about Grand Island and Nebraska</a>	<u>1/16/2022</u>	GI Independent
<a href="#">KRGi Interview</a>	<u>1/18/2022</u>	KRGi
<a href="#">Heritage Hour educates public at library</a>	<u>1/16/2022</u>	NTV
<a href="#">Grand Island buildings closed in observance of MLK Day</a>	<u>1/17/2022</u>	NTV
<a href="#">GRAND ISLAND PUBLIC LIBRARY: BETWEEN THE STACKS: Found in translation</a>	<u>1/23/2022</u>	GI Independent
<a href="#">Who is she? Grand Island Library finds unmarked historic portrait in storage</a>	1/23/2022	GI Independent