

YOUTH SERVICES NARRATIVE

DECEMBER 2016

December was a busy time here! I did my usual holiday programs—the Gingerbread House one—and an additional one with Cheri as Mrs. Claus and Carol Biscardi from the Friends making hot chocolate. We got some nice new ornaments for our Christmas tree out of it! I also did a couple of special programs during the week between Christmas and New Years, and these were very well-received.

I'm launching a new program for young children and their caregivers, a story time yoga program. Kerri Kowal, my Friday storyteller, is helping me run this program by being my resident yogi. Depending on how this program is received, I hope to offer it once per month.

For outreach, I did my two daycare story times, as well as two book crates for Noah's Ark and WSUCC PreK. My Martic Elementary STEM station program has been scheduled for February 8th. There will be Legos, a couple of the new STEM kits, a Danger Club experiment, and a Crazy 8s experiment, in addition to Martic's new maker station. We plan to use the event both to feature the library's services, as well as the Maker Fair that the library is holding in April.

Legopalooza is approaching! Oxford Public Library has joined with Wrightsdales Baptist, Solid Rock, the Quarryville Library, and the Elizabethtown Library. We intend to have Lego challenges at the stations, and kids who go to all the stations will be entered to win a prize.

The teen programs are expanding again! We've added a twice monthly Dungeons and Dragons Club, to occur on Saturdays, thanks to a volunteer who is serving as the leader. We had the first meeting right before the New Year, and they seem to be an excited bunch. The Anime Club remains steady, as well. My Teen Leadership Group would like to do a lock-in this spring, so I have my hands full!

The Artist Card program is buzzing along, with a dozen new cards appearing weekly.