

REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF MARCH 2018

EARLY LITERACY PROGRAM
CURRENT PROGRAMS AND ACTIVITIES/OUTREACH

March Events:

- On March 30th, Corning Science and Discovery Center brought us a presentation on Shapes. The Parish House was used for this event, and proved to be a spacious location for this event. New families and regulars were in attendance, and the event was successful. Corning Science and Discovery will return in May.
- Roxanne continues to attend many meetings in regards to better partnership with the community for our Early Literacy Program.
- Lisa Fernandez held her Song and Story on the second Friday of March.
- Karin Thomas ran story time on the Tuesday of the book sale in the Parish House. It was well attended and praised by all.
- Early Literacy Assistant Susie has informed Roxanne that due to a growing family, she will not return to the Early Literacy Program.
- The Early Literacy Program has been promoting the viewing of the library's newly acquired eggs as a way to bring in families. Families will be invited to view the hatching of the eggs in April.
- The Program is planning the activities for our popular "Books and Blankets" story time during the summer months, as well as beginning to look into scheduling new and returning events for the second half of the year, after our "Books and Blankets" program ends at the end of August.
- New promotional material continues to be created by the library staff for weekly story times, as well as special events. New venues to distribute these materials have been explored and given material. This effort will continue, as well as regular updates on the website and our Facebook page.

Upcoming Events:

- Our April event will be from Tanglewood Nature Center, with "Birds of Prey" as the theme.
- Lisa Fernandez will perform on the second Friday of the month for her "Song and Story" program.
- Karin Thomas will return to do a story time on Tuesday, April 24th, as a special event during spring break for the schools.

Ongoing Children's Programs

Toddler Story-Time: Tuesday Mornings

A program designed for Toddlers approximately 1 to 3 years of age. Music and the reading of stories are appropriate for this group.

Infant Lap Time: Thursday Mornings

A program designed for newborns to approximately 1 year of age including music, stories and information sharing with new parents.

Preschool Story-Time: Friday Mornings

Designed for ages three and older, this story hour focuses on school preparedness by reading and the use of literacy skills. We have started a monthly craft with this group as well as the incorporation of a felt board.

Song and Story: Second Friday of the Month

A local performer runs this program for our preschool group once a month. A theme is chosen and encourages child participation in songs, rhyming and storytelling.