

BRANCH DISTRICT KIDS' PLACE NEWS



APRIL 2014

Reading Across America in March Ends Successfully



**Tween/Teen
Fun!**



SATURDAY

**Coming Soon!
Express Your-
self: Clay Art.
Saturday,
April 26 @
11:30 am**

**Wonka Land
Saturday, May
1st**

**Bendable
You : Yoga
for Mom and
Tots.
Saturday, May
10 @ 11:30**

**Big Chicken
Storytime
with Miss Evie
Sat. May 17 @
11:30**

Over 140 kids, ages 2 to 18 signed up for our March Read Across America Program. We had 64 patrons turn in their logs for prizes. Every person turning in a log received Wendy's free food coupons and those who met goal received McDonalds' free Happy Meals or a sandwich coupon depending on their age.

Our individual winners from each level received a Culver's Free Meal coupon. And the winners were:

Level A: Justus Bills with 87 books read

Level B: Alexis Scott with 93 books read.

Level C: Isabel Esquivel-

Munoz with 2384 pages read.

Level D: Maimuna Lewis with 5405 pages read.

Level E: Mikayla Nichelson with 4516 pages read.

Level F: Carly Hart with 7778 pages read.

The family who read the most pages for the month was the Reyna Munoz family who received a dinner gift certificate for 4 from Bob Evans Restaurant.

Our goal was to reach 90,000 miles or pages read. We fell short at 80,963!

Isabel & Maimuna are shown on the top right.

Mikayla Nichelson is shown



in the middle.

More Kids' Stuff!

Our cartooning presentation was such a hit, that Jonnie has been asked to return in June!

Bev Bynum did a great job sharing her book, "Calling All Drs. Calling All Nurses". The children enjoyed dressing as medical people and putting bandaids on too!

Miss Evie, as she wants us to call

her, did a wonderful job with her special storytime, snack & craft. Actually she had so much fun, she's planning to come back in May!

Our Thursday Home School group continues to study the Great Depression through related topics. What fun was had with the Recycling Art/Invention Day!

Julia attended Spring Institute in Battle Creek. Linda kept busy with a special St Paddy's Day story time at Head Start. She and Jeanne Berg also represented the library at the United Way's Learning Fair.

It has been a crazy busy month and summer is just around the corner!

EVERY CHILD IS AN ARTIST. THE PROBLEM IS HOW TO REMAIN AN ARTIST ONCE HE GROWS UP.



For the teens, Doug Taggart of Edward Jones will be doing an age appropriate Smart Money presentation on Thursday, April 24 @ 6:30

One of the virtues of being very young is that you don't let the facts get in the way of your imagination.
Sam Levenson



Money Fun

Smart Money Events had a total of 24 participants. Not as many as we'd hoped for but what fun those in attendance had. Amy Bailey, branch manager of United Educational Credit Union did a fantastic job with reading stories to the children.

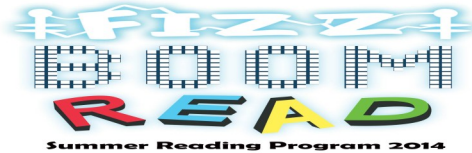
She and her staff, along with Miss Mary helped the children make a Smart Saver Necklace as well as a simple dollar bill origami fish.

Children in attendance

also learned of the benefits of starting a savings account during the month of April. All this learning fun and some



great snacks and free books were brought to us through our partnership with the Michigan Credit League and the United Educational Credit Union of Coldwater.



Another productive month of working towards Summer Reading.

More sponsorship monies were received. What a great community we have. We're now hosting "Cooking up a Comet" with monies provided the Walmart Transportation Facility, "Good Vibrations: the Science behind Sound" -monies provided by Volteck, "Shocking Science" provided by

Asama, Moo Science provided by the MSU Extension Service, "Great Lakes, Great Science" provided by Century Bank & Trust.

We also will be hosting a Tuesday "Mom & Tots" exercise time followed by Lunch at the Library with bag lunches provided by our local Coldwater School District.

We're busy planning our Science experiments, art days and lots of just plain Science related fun!

All our supplies are being purchased through the generous giving of the local manufacturing and banking industry.

Another venture is working with local educational programs and youth service groups to provide a committed volunteer staff for all our program needs.

Notes of Gratitude:



We would like to thank the following people:

Shelly AcMoody: book donations

Reid Frisinger & Laura Sergert: story time snacks

Kristen Crabtree: puzzles & books.

CHC Marketing: caps, gloves and masks for our Special Saturday Storytime.

Bev Bynum: books for Story time participants

Sharon Dollan: cookies for Story time decorating.

Monarch Bank/Vicky Bas-

sage: Home school Field trip

Coldwater Public Safety Office: Home school Field trip.

Anonymous: craft supplies.

