Adult Services Report:

December

**Programming:**

We hosted less programs in December due to vacations and time off for staff. However, the programs that we did host had great attendance. Cindy Mazzola came in to teach a class on Winter Flower Arranging on December 7. The feedback was that patrons would love more flower arranging classes. I think we will try to host them quarterly.

Kim and Kelly Murphy from Murphy’s Candles came to teach two classes, one in Kendallville and one in Rome City. They will return in February. Patrons have given great suggestions in our programming suggestion boxes. We hope to incorporate some of those programs in the new year.

Family Programs were extremely popular in December. Mary from Youth Services is so great to work with. We hosted CR Ryan Magic, Mark’s Ark, a Holiday Party, and a Countdown to Noon, just to name a few.

Winter Reading kicked off December 18. Patrons have claimed quite a few mugs already. Now we need to start planning summer reading.

**Collections:**

The adult department has been busy maintaining the art print collection. Winter and Fall art prints check out more than any other collection and when they are returned, we are responsible for putting them away and making sure they look organized.
Libby and Hoopla checkouts were up. For adults, we had 308 checkouts in December for Hoopla. Libby Magazine checkouts were also the highest they have ever been. As more people find out that they can check out magazines on Libby, that number should build even more. Ebook checkouts for adults in December for Libby were 1089 and 838 audiobooks for adults checked out in December. We are still working to decrease hold times for ebooks and Audiobooks on Libby. Placing a large order in January should help.