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Children listening to a storytime during the Teen led Teen Advisory Board's Trick or Treat.



The Ancient Art of Bonsai presentation, a joint program with the Murrysville Recreation Dept.



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FLEXIBILITY, INGENUITY, AND INCLUSIVITY IN OUR PROGRAMS AND SPACES

Over the past year, the library has engaged in numerous discussions regarding the primary areas of focus that we envision for our future endeavors. As a result of these deliberations, the library staff has arrived at a consensus on three key principles: flexibility, ingenuity, and inclusivity.

In terms of flexibility, our strategic approach involves a commitment to remaining dynamic and responsive to the ever-evolving wants and preferences of our community. This extends to optimizing the utilization of our library's physical space to better align with the needs of our patrons.

As for inclusivity, our aim is to offer programs that cater to individuals of all ages and abilities. Furthermore, we are dedicated to the task of adapting our physical spaces to ensure that everyone, regardless of their abilities, feels a warm and inviting atmosphere, allowing them to fully partake in the library's offerings.

Finally, with ingenuity as a central tenet, our intention is to craft a diverse spectrum of programs suitable for all age groups. We are also keen on exploring inventive approaches to integrate these programs seamlessly within the overarching confines of our library's physical layout.

The library's strategic focus on flexibility, inclusivity, and ingenuity will undoubtedly help us evolve and better serve our community's needs, ensuring that the library remains a vital and welcoming resource for all. We are excited to embark on this journey of transformation and enrichment.

RECOGNIZING OUR COMMUNITY PARTNERS

Here at Murrysville Community Library, our mission includes “Life-long opportunities for learning, literacy and enjoyment.” Certainly, that mission includes books, but increasingly it also includes programming and events for children, teens, adults, and families. In addition to the programming that is created by our own talented staff, we are fortunate to be partnered with local organizations.

We measure our success both through individual stories from our patrons and by tracking program attendance. In the last 12 months, program attendance has increased by 25%, thanks in part to the work of our programming partners who help us to enrich and expand our program offerings.

In our September annual meeting, we recognized seven programming partners for their service to our library and our community:

- East Suburban Artist League provides art displays and artist talks
- Milestone PA offers monthly sessions with stories and a craft, for adults with intellectual disabilities
- Murrysville Area AAUW hosts a monthly speaker, and also leads our semi-annual book sale
- Murrysville Garden Club hosts monthly meetings with speakers and also makes possible our popular butterfly release each summer
- Murrysville Recreation Department partners with us to provide community-wide events such as the Drive-through Easter Bunny event
- PA Connecting Communities hosts craft events for adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities
- Plant-based Pittsburgh hosts monthly meetings that frequently include cooking demonstrations and potlucks

All programs are free and open to the public; for more information check out our website or speak with a librarian.



Attendees at Milestone PA's Ocean in a Bottle craft showcasing Inclusivity.



Teens learning about Jupiter's Big Red Spot with the Carnegie Science Center's Portable Planetarium showcasing Ingenuity.



Cookies and Community showcasing Flexibility of the library's space.