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Branch Activities Report

System-Wide Programs

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Ongoing Programs	Community Volunteer Income Tax Program (CVITP)	With the addition of 4 de-commissioned laptops from IT, we are now better positioned to expand the program for the 2020 tax season. A representative from CVITP attended the Saugeen Shores Leisure Fair in September to facilitate volunteer recruitment for Port Elgin. The program will also run again in Walkerton and Kincardine in 2020.
	Public Health Displays	In September we distributed information about the Healthy Smiles program, overdose and sharps and Rabies vaccination.
	Be Active Kits	BCPL is partnering with Public Health to address the lack of physical activity and physical literacy in Grey Bruce. There are four types of Be Active kits: Yoga, Outdoor Play, Active Games and Parachute. The kits contain information, books and tools to promote active play. These kits will be available for lending this fall.
September Programs	Culture Days presentation - September 28	Feedback from Sue Williams presentation about sailing the Great Lakes was positive. Survey respondents overall highly recommended the presentation and learned something helpful they could apply. Due to presenter's personal circumstances, the fly-fishing presentation was cancelled,
	Healthy Smiles Story Times	and will be rescheduled later. Grey Bruce Public Health promoted the Healthy Smiles program at six branch story times. Healthy Smiles offers free dental care to families who qualify for the program. The Library is well-positioned to assist Public Health reach children and families who may not otherwise receive information about the program.

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October/November Programs	Drag Queen Story Time - October 5	Rainbow Optimist Club of Southwestern Ontario is sponsoring this special story time. Two Drag Queens, Miss Shaneen and Lita will share their message of individuality and inclusivity at Kincardine Branch Library October 5 at 11:00am and 1:00pm.
	BCPL Business Perks Program	To celebrate Canadian Library month, library members can show their card at participating businesses across Bruce County to receive a special perk. From all the Chambers of Commerce we approached, a total of thirty businesses from Saugeen Shores, Walkerton, Paisley, Chesley and Wiarton chose to participate. A complete list is on the BCPL website and each business will be featured in a social media post.
	Write @ Your Library	Entries for this annual writing contest for teens must be received by October 25.
	Author Maureen Jennings - November 7	"Murdoch Mysteries" author Maureen Jennings will be at Southampton Town Hall Thursday, November 7 at 7:00pm. Fincher's in Kincardine has agreed to be the book vendor for the event.
	Canadian Anti-Fraud Centre - November 14, 22, 23, 26	A volunteer from the Canadian Anti-Fraud Centre will visit several branches in November: Lion's Head, Tobermory, Chesley, Teeswater, Southampton, Port Elgin, Walkerton and Mildmay. The presentations focus on common scams, identity theft and Internet and password safety.
	Film Series: From Stage to Screen - November 2, 9, 16, 19, 26 and Dec. 3	Local film aficionado, Brade Stanton, will share the secrets behind six Hollywood classics. The first three films will be screened at Chesley Branch, followed by three more at Kincardine Branch. Brade has an impressive film background, including working with the Vancouver Film Festival.
	Local Author Richard Doornink - November 7, 8, 26, 27, 28, 29	Richard presents, "1967: a coming of age story" at Tobermory, Lion's Head, Port Elgin, Southampton, Wiarton and Sauble Beach branches.

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Kincardine Branch Library's display of materials related to addiction with information posters provided by Grey Bruce Health Unit.