



BRANCH DISTRICT LIBRARY



KIDS' PLACE

JANUARY 2015



Hey Mom! Look what I found!
Can I keep it?



Kiara who donated the train pieces!



Did she just take my picture?



Santa and friends!



During the month of December, patrons had the opportunity to participate in a passive program by adding a bulb to our "Giving Tree." Each one wrote what gift they would like to be able to give this Christmas. It was neat to see how much fun it was for the kids to imagine giving a special gift to someone!

Home School Adventure Group
Thursdays at 1:30 pm

The Homeschool Adventure Group got ready for Christmas and enjoyed some special arts and crafts projects in December. They made ornaments out of recycled cat food cans, painted cinnamon and salt dough ornaments and designed homemade cards. They also decorated cookies for some local elderly friends and created their very own mini snow globes with recycled materials. The glue and glitter was flying and fun was never in short supply!



For January, this group will be knitting up a storm under the direction of Shareyah Heminger. Shea, as she prefers is using our Thursday group as a pilot group to see how difficult it would be to teach a class for our all young patrons during the winter evenings.

Special Events since last time...

Clay Art with Deb Thenen of D. Leigh Art. We had 55 people attend this Christmas ornament workshop on Saturday, Dec. 6. We were able to underwrite most of the cost through the Walmart Transportation Facility grant!

Miss Mary hosted a Christmas Storytime with some really good cookies for our snack!

We provided lots of opportunities for young patrons to make Christmas gifts with several "make it & take it" craft days.

Another fun event was our Grandparents Day during Winter Break or Staycation as we call it here. Stories, crafts and snacks...Fun time and a neat memory maker for the grands!

**SPECIAL
THANKS**



To the following for their generosity:

Lucia Carpenter: Gold cans & pinecones.

Beverly Dull: Pinecones.

Theresa Broadwater: Thomas Train Pieces for our ever popular train table.

The Everline Family & Anonymous: Books & Dvds. Summer Little: baby food jars (snow globes)

UPCOMING EVENTS in KIDS' PLACE:

kids
Line Dance
party



Kathy of Kathy's Dance Studio will share the fun on Line dancing on **Saturday, Jan. 17 @ 11 am!**

Master William will be back with his magical puppets on **Saturday, Jan. 24 @ noon**. Children will also experience making their own puppet and sharing with others as part of our Ice Fest celebration.

Diana Lutz of the Conservation District will be here on **Saturday, Jan 31 @ 11:30**. Her topic will be either Birds and Winter Care or Michigan Mammals.

Marvelous Mondays continue with movies, Legos, Wii and this month....**ROOM SIZE CHECKERS!** With the extended hours, all this fun begins at 6 pm!

Bedtime Math Pajama Party with Miss Mary on Thursday, January 15 @ 7 pm. For ages 4-8 yrs.

