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### **OUTREACH SERVICES BRINGS BAY COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY INTO THE COMMUNITY**

(Panama City, Fla.) Bay County Public Library Outreach Librarian, Heather Ogilvie, has her office both inside and outside of the library walls. Outreach Services provide library access and programming to underserved members of the community. Heather Ogilvie makes learning fun with books, art, STEM, and creative play. Her passion for storytelling is contagious capturing a range of audience members from toddlers to seniors. During Conversations with Seniors at the Brookdale Senior Living Facility, one resident stated, *"She's a gem."*

#### Regularly scheduled Library Outreach Services:

**STORYTIME MONDAYS** at Panama City Mall at 10 AM (In the Play Area)

2150 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd, Panama City, FL 32405

Storytime features books, music, movement, play, and art. We are flexible and inclusive. Our stories are selected for children ages 0-3, and children of ALL ages are welcome to share the learning experience. We encourage participation, welcome interruption, and happily break for yoga or dance.

**BILINGUAL STORYTIME** at Panama City Mall, Thursdays at 10 AM (In the Play Area)

**BIENVENIDOS AMIGUITOS!** Beginning January 11<sup>th</sup> we will explore books, music, art, and creative play, in Spanish. Our stories are selected for young children, and we welcome families of all ages.

**STEAMTASTIC TUESDAYS** at Martin Luther King, Jr. Rec Center at 4 PM

705 E 14th Ct, Panama City, FL 32401

Afterschool at the Rec with BCPL Outreach: Books, Art, Makerspace, or Sidewalk Science. Student-directed adventures in learning for kids of all ages.

**CONVERSATIONS FOR SENIORS!** Books, Arts, Games and Talk.

Organizations that have scheduled Library Outreach visits include BeeHive Homes of Lynn Haven, Brookdale Senior Living Community, Charter Senior Living of Panama City Beach (Assisted Living, Memory Care, and Retirement Living), Glen Cove Health and Rehabilitation Center, and the Bay County Council on Aging. The visits vary in schedule and are catered to each of the groups.

In addition to regularly scheduled programs, the Bay County Public Library Outreach Services also facilitates community conversations, sets up Outside the Box Book Clubs, STEAM Mobile Makerspaces,

Salty Saturdays in St. Andrews, and pop-up libraries at local events. Library Outreach provides dynamic adventures in learning for people of all ages. Through expanding community partnerships, we discover new opportunities to help. Public libraries transform lives and build strong communities.

Bay County Public Library is located at 898 W. 11<sup>th</sup> Street, Panama City, FL 32401. For additional information about Outreach Services, call the library at 850-522-2100.

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