## **Programming Ideas**

- history history
- Scavenger hunts, which puts people into shops to find books that are on game card, return card to library for prize
- Visiting Writers Series in the Summer
- Wilmington has 2 TV shows currently filming in the area -- Sleepy Hollow and Under the Dome so that is a big tie in. - We are actually trying to get Stephen King, probably not happening
- Free lawn concerts, local artists, every Tuesday
- Partner with local historical museum for local history program
- outdoor summer movies
- we did a program about locally filmed tv shows and movies
- Children's programs: Stories & Crafts on Wed, Summer Morning Funperformers on the lawn - free - on Thursdays
- We have been doing a lot more passive programming. e.g. craft stations...locals and visitors love them
- Geocache on library property.... first year for us
- We offer Tues night outdoor movies in partnership with two other groups in the area where all the big hotels are- Mountain Village
- Free concerts, story teller in the park
  We do preschool science in the park activities in the summer
- I do a gold panning program every summer...so popular
- Had a magic show last weekend.
- this year we couldn't do to the flood and a ban in the county, but gold panning is very popular
- It helps to have an active social media presence and the support of local media.
- We have free lunch for kids during the summer. Appeals to locals and visitors
- We are exploring a yoga-movement story time this summer
- story walk on a local trail, hopefully doing a hosted storytime/walk perhaps with a ranger or local nature organization <a href="http://www.pitcolib.org/storywalk">http://www.pitcolib.org/storywalk</a>
- We do yoga story time.
- We started a learning garden this year. Seating outside (eventually) for afterhours use. Local and visitors are enjoying this new feature
- Our librarian is on maternity leave, but we have our assistant director filling in. It is a very popular story time.
- We distribute posters for our free Tuesday evening lawn concerts and children's programs to the hotels and campgrounds

- I saw an idea for a coupon catalog... drop off coupons and pick up coupons. I think that will be our next project.
- New Hanover County has Story Walks in our parks to promote healthy living. Here are photos to our Flickr account of one of the story walks. <a href="https://www.flickr.com/photos/newhanoverco/sets/72157631845120414/">https://www.flickr.com/photos/newhanoverco/sets/72157631845120414/</a>
- we do a coupon exchange, take what you use and add coupons you don't
- We do a free magazine exchange that is popular. very easy....clear a shelf in the entryway for magazines and ppl take and leave
- We have a magazine exchange at one of the smaller branches that I work at and it is very popular.
- we do karaoke in the parks, we call it libraoke
- Good idea, Geneva, we do that too, and it's very popular
- we do kids programs as drop in. we get a lot of visitors to SRP and story times
- We have a PeeWee Parade first Sat in August and have activities in the park afterwards
- Our town is developing a kid's map/stamp kit. we have a popular carousel and are getting more and more families
- we have library activity table during the weekly Summer Nights on Seventh/Main Street Square (street dance concert)
- so it is kind of like a place based scavenger hunt and encourages families to try some of the other places that cater to kids in town