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“Library Multi-Media”



Some Norfolk residents have found a way to keep cool this summer by watching afternoon movies at the Norfolk Public Library. A new projector and sound system has made movie time a more enjoyable experience this summer.

“With the old system we had a silver metallic screen and the projector would overheat regularly. It was hard to promote media events when we had mediocre equipment that didn’t always work,” said Mike Caldararo, director of the library.

The equipment was purchased last April and since then 40 to 50 kids and parents have been coming to the movie matinees on Wednesdays at 1:30 to watch movies like “Tangled” and “Diary of a Wimpy Kid”. “Gnomeo and Juliet” will be showing at the library on July 20.

The movies being presented this summer at the library have been free to the public and geared towards children who are part of the summer reading program- “One World, Many Stories.” The children age eight and under must be accompanied by a parent. Free pop and popcorn is provided to those who watch the movies. Caldararo said many of the movie goers have been regulars coming to each Wednesday movie since they began in June.

Enhancing the movie theatre experience is a surround sound system, a high definition projector, a larger screen and a high definition blue ray player.

Non-profit groups are able to use the new multi-media system for presentations as it includes a Smart Board and seating for up to 50 people.

“We provide the space and equipment at no cost to groups. They can watch Power point or other multi-media presentations. Using our Internet access, they would also be able to present information on the screen from different websites,” Caldararo said.

For more information about the movies showing at the library or about using the meeting space for a non-profit group, contact the library staff at 402-844-2018.