

**Library Director's Report  
September 2019**

Information Item #109

Library staff, Board member Clinton James, and I participated in the Village's 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary parade on Sept. 28<sup>th</sup>. In what is becoming a theme with outdoor events this summer and fall, it rained the morning of the parade. I have not seen any official attendance estimates, but there is no question that the rain affected parade attendance. However, our matching library umbrellas came in very handy for all of our library parade marchers; we had a very uniform and professional look. Kate Lehman did work above and beyond the call of duty in her Pete the Cat costume, and Patti Naisbitt did an outstanding job handling the parade organization.

We hosted our annual library volunteer luncheon on Sept. 27<sup>th</sup>, which was also attended by Board members John Majewski and Joseph Heneghan. From pulling books for holds, to homebound delivery, from hosting clubs such as coloring, library needlers, and genealogy, our volunteers provide valuable services to the library and the residents of Woodridge. Our Friends of the Library group also volunteers and keeps our book sale going strong, as well as providing needed funds to the library. Barb Schaudt, Friends President, will also be taking the lead on the assembly of the library book tree this year. Our dedicated Library Board members are also volunteers; they serve without compensation year in and year out, attending Board meetings every month, as well as important library events. Many thanks to Deb Fowler for organizing the volunteer luncheon.

I attended the IPBC/NIHII meeting on Sept 17<sup>th</sup>, and the library was officially voted in as a member of the NIHII health insurance cooperative. Our start date is Jan 1, 2020.

**Library Programs and Services**

<b>Children's:</b>	Baby Lapsit I, 2 sessions, 40
	Baby Lapsit II (3 groups), 6 sessions, 131
	Toddler Time - 2s + adult (3 groups), 7 sessions, 200
	Storytime - 3-5s (3 groups), 6 sessions, 96
	Baby Music & Movement, 2 sessions, 56
	Montessori Program, 16
	Spanish Storytime, 2 sessions, 16
	Hindi Storytime, 1 session, 12
	1000 Books Before Kindergarten-additional, 5
	Passive - STEM Kits, 15
	Storywalk - Very Hungry Caterpillar, 54
	Bluestem Book Club, 8
	Caudill Book Club, 4
	Homeschool Lego Club, 28
	Homeschool DCM: Invertebrate Encounter, 30
	Homeschool Art: Painting with Acrylics, 26
<b>Adult:</b>	Art Exhibit: Dharma & Evangerline Alagaratnam
	Art Reception - Dharma & Evangerline Alagaratnam, 100
	Coffee with a Dog Training Expert, 34
	Fishing in Woodridge, 27
	Writing Journey, 13
	Instagram & Snapchat, 16
	Grandparent Class, 12
	British Invasion Concert, 74
	Senior Cards & Games, 2 sessions, 25
	Coloring Club, 4
	Library Needlers, 7
	Genealogy Help, 4
	Voter Registration, 12

**Teen:** Teen Trending Thursday/GOAT, 6  
College "Scholarship" Mom, 38  
DIY Phone Case Design, 22

**Tweens:** Tween Takeover, 25  
Tween Trivia, 7

**Community Outreach:** Northwestern Professor/Students, 25; SSIP Citizenship Test Prep, 3 sessions, 64; Lisle Job Club, 4 sessions, 15; PRC Computer Classes, 2 sessions, 7; Jefferson Junior High visit, 2 sessions, 100; Curriculum Nights in August - Meadowview, 22; Siple, 32; Murphy, 80; Edgewood, 60; Meadowview Kindergarten Orientation, 27; Woodridge Anniversary Parade (attendance estimate not provided by the Village yet)

**Book Discussions:** Crime Readers-*Blood Hounds* by Peter Lovesey, 14; *The Gown* by Jennifer Robson, 11

**Computer Classes:** Introduction to Microsoft Word, 8; Intermediate Microsoft Word, 7;  
Introduction to Microsoft Excel, 10

**Services:** Reference Questions: 2,842 in Adult/Teen and 743 in Children's  
Public PC Sessions: in 2,164 Adult/Teen and 260 in Children's  
Interlibrary Loans Received: 3,739  
Home Page Views: 31,031  
Study Rooms: in 662 Adult/Teen and 28 in Children's  
Volunteer Hours: 97.5 for Adults  
Notary Services: 11  
Museum Adventure Passes: 28  
Tours: 3  
Meraki Wireless Unique Users: 1,801

**Displays:** **Adult/Teen Department:** Celebrate Classical Music Month; I Will Survive; Make'em Laugh/Comedies (DVD/Blu-rays); Hispanic Heritage Month (Hispanic Authors); Hispanic Heritage Month

**Children's:** Meet Someone New (Picture Book Bios); Foxes; Beluga and Otter Adoption; Banned Books Week; Spooky Stories to Read in the Dark; Labor Day; Zoo; Unusual Animals; Football; Dinosaurs; Bath, Bubbles and Bedtime; Hispanic Heritage Month

### **Staff Development and Training**

<b>Adult/Teen Services:</b>	Chris Keefe	Developing Emotional Intelligence (Fred Pryor) Pretty Sweet Tech-Can Librarians Teach Robotics (webinar)
	Denise Murray	Mistake-Free Grammar & Proofreading (Fred Pryor)
<b>Children's Services:</b>	Cristina Bueno	Girls Who Code Club Info Session (webinar) Bringing Humor and Storytelling to STEM Projects (webinar) LACONI YSS Focus on Play at DuPage Children's Museum Workshop
	Elizabeth Burns	Met with Joe Castelli; World Book, Inc. LACONI YSS Focus on Play at DuPage Children's Museum Workshop
	Kate Lehman	Just the Facts, New Non-fiction for Fall (webinar) LACONI YSS Focus on Play at DuPage Children's Museum

## Workshop

Mary Ann Steinhaus Met with Joe Castelli; World Book, Inc.

### **Circulation Services:**

Julie Lombardo SWAN Circulation Advisory Group Meeting

Dee Thurman LACONI Circulation Section Meeting

### **Technical Services:**

Amy Weiss LACONI TSS Workshop: Acquisitions Workshop  
LACONI All Sections Board Meeting  
LACONI TSS Planning Committee Meeting  
Assessment of Technical Services (webinar)

Erica Sanchez LACONI TSS Workshop: Acquisitions Workshop

### **Administration:**

Pam Dubé Al Stonitsch, Village Administrator – TIF District meeting  
Sept. 11<sup>th</sup> Ceremony – Kagann Plaza  
IPBC/NIHII Meeting - North Riverside  
Woodridge Administrator's Quarterly Meeting  
Woodridge 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Parade

Pat Harwood Mistake-Free Grammar & Proofreading (Fred Pryor)

### **Library Operations**

Circulation for the month of September was 49,049, a 16% decrease from September 2018.

Registered borrowers number 24,147 which is 73% of the jurisdictional population.

People/Door Count for month: 33,743