Library Director's Report December 2017

We have some exciting new additions to the public area of the library. We have added a second scooter for patrons with mobility problems to use. We were starting to experience problems, especially on weekends, with multiple patrons needing to use the scooter at the same time. It was becoming a service issue for us, and the Friends of the Library generously donated the funds to allow us to purchase a second scooter. We've been getting great feedback on how much patrons like having the second scooter here.

We also purchased new chairs for the quiet study rooms. We had been using the old wooden chairs, and regularly received complaints from patrons about how uncomfortable they were. Some patrons would bring their own chair cushions. We purchased some nice padded chairs for the study rooms, and within half an hour of adding them, we received our first compliment. The Friends of the Library generously paid for 20 of these chairs, and we have marked all chairs they donated with a gold foil sticker acknowledging their donation.

We are extremely pleased with how our recent Teen Snack and Study leading up to finals was received. We estimate about 200 teens participated. We averaged 20 teens a day at the beginning, and for three days at the peak of finals we saw 40 teens a day. Our study rooms were at capacity, and teens were also dispersed in the seating area in front of the book sale and throughout the main floor, in addition to the teen area.

Library Programs and Services

Children's: 1000 Books Before Kindergarten, 1

Passive – Larry the Library Elf, 358 Engineering Challenge, 2 sessions, 21 No School – Lego Club, 1 session, 26

Frosty Fest – Name Snowmen Craft, 1 session, 140
Frosty Fest – Roberts Marionettes, 1 session, 105
Frosty Fest – Snowman Sagrupa and Hunt 1 agains 1

Frosty Fest – Snowman Scavenger Hunt, 1 session, 102

Picture Books on Film, 1 session, 8

DuPage Children's Museum, 1 session, 46

Princess Leia, 1 session, 30

Homeshcool Lego Club, 1 session, 30

Guiding Light Academy Storytime, 1 session, 25

Kidz Squad, 1 session, 24 Kidz Squad, 1 session, 16

Meadowview Storytime, 2 sessions, 13

Adult: Tina Tyson-Dunne & Holly Tyson Art Exhibit

SSIP Citizenship Prep classes, 3 sessions, 45

Elf Movie Matinee, 6

Tyson-Dunne & Tyson Artists Reception, 40

DNA Genealogy Testing, 56 Lisle Job Club, 3 sessions, 15 Senior Cards & Games, 10

Frosty Fest (12/9), 300 and (12/10), 200

Coloring for Adults, 9 Candy Making, 12

Jefferson Jr. High School Singers, 240

Paint & Sip Party, 30

Festive Singers ACAPELLA, 53

Genealogy Help, 10 Library Needlers, 6 Teen: DIY Touchscreen Gloves, 24

GOATs Teen Meeting, 9 Teens Snack & Study, 200

Community Outreach: VFW Pearl Harbor Day, 47

Book Discussions: Joint Book Discussion; Crime Readers, Shane by Jack Schaefer

Computer Classes: Windows 10, 5 and 3; Windows 10 Tips & Tricks, 8; Introduction to

Microsoft Word, 3; You Can Learn to Code, 14; HOUR of CODE, 8

Services: Reference Questions: 2,457Adult/Teen and 547 in Children's

Public PC Sessions: 2,208 Adult/Teen and 145 in Children's

Interlibrary Loans Received: 3,284

Home Page Views: 25,663

Study Rooms: 528 Adult/Teen and 37 in Children's

Volunteer Hours: 148 from Adults

Notary Services: 6

Museum Adventure Passes: 17

Tours: 3

Meraki Wireless Unique Users: 2,630

Displays: Adult/Teen Department: 50 Years of Bestsellers, Winter Holiday Fiction, Computer Science

Education, Holiday Movies on DVD and Blu-ray, What's Going On?, Stay Warm in these Cozy

Settings

Children's: What Were Kids Reading in 1967?, Gingerbread Books, Mice (not a creature was stirring), Fun Holiday Crafts, Christmas Around the World, Seasons Readings, Holiday

Crafts and Food, Let's Write A...(Letter)

Staff Development and Training

Additional staff development opportunities are listed below.

The Staff In-Service Meeting was held on Friday, December 8th. Approximately 50 employees attended.

Adult: Whole Dept. Department Meeting

Sarah Marshall Sunshine Committee

Linda Montalvo Bilingual Night at Jefferson Jr. High School

Children's: Elizabeth Burns Booklist Webinar: New Youth Nonfiction for Winter and

Beyond

Kate Lehman Researching Sensory Storytimes

Shireen Tyberg Must Have Middle Grade Librarian Tips and Tricks,

Booklist Webinar

Circulation: Julie Lombardo Circulation Users Group Meeting at Westmont Public

Library

Kay Minniti Circulation Users Group Meeting

Dee Thurman Bilingual Night at Jefferson Jr. High School

Collection Services: Amy Weiss Technical Services Networking Group Meeting

Admin: Pam Dubé Chamber of Commerce Luncheon

Village Community Recognition Dinner

Village Board Meeting
All Staff Meeting/In Service

Tonya Alexander HR/Benefits Virtual Training

HR Round Table for Libraries

Library Operations

Circulation for the month of December was 60,628 a 22% increase over December 2016. Registered borrowers number 25,246 which is 76.6% of the jurisdictional population. People/Door Count for month: 31,832