# Library Director's Report May 2021

The Children's Department has done an excellent job with their summer reading promotion this year. They have recorded a highly entertaining video about the summer reading program, and both used it in zoom calls with the local schools promoting summer reading and have included it on our YouTube channel for patrons. 1130 students attended the school zoom meetings, and 300 additional people watched our You Tube video. Summer Reading is already starting off very strong, with many patrons in the building and signing up for child, teen and adult reading programs.

Our Signs of Spring Nature Photo Contest had 180 photos submitted. This was highly popular last year and we decided to continue it this year. It's also a perfect program when there are social distancing issues. The quality of the photos submitted is always impressive.

Nature and gardening continues to be a popular theme. We had 87 attend our virtual adult program of Gardening for Birds and Butterflies. Our take and make butterfly feeder craft also did well with 46 people participating.

# <u>Library Programs and Services</u>

**Children's:** Virtual Programs

Summer Reading Promotion, YouTube, 300 Stories About Moms! Storytime, 5/5, YouTube, 61 How to Draw a Garden Storytime, 5/12, YouTube, 40

Butterfly Storytime, 5/19, YouTube, 11

Science Adventures #4 (elephant toothpaste & screaming balloon), 5/26, 15

Additional Recording Views from Past Programs, 5/1-5/31, YouTube, 98

Building Blocks for Tots, 124 views, 152 packets

Baby Activity Kits - Marvelous Music & Movement, 33

Take & Make Crafts, 4 Projects, 600

1000 Books Before Kindergarten, 8

Storywalk - Don't Let the Pigeon Drive the Bus! - Outside/Library Plaza Door Entrance May 7<sup>th</sup> through 16<sup>th</sup>

# **Adult:** <u>Virtual Programs</u>

"Signs of Spring" Nature Photo Contest, all month, 42 participants, 180 photos submitted

Tour: Cloud Buster Exhibit at Chicago Children's Museum, 5/1, Live, 12

Tour: Illinois Holocaust Museum & Education Center 5/8, Live, 7 Tour: Untold Stories of the Art Institute of Chicago, 5/15, Live, 7

Tour: Field Museum's "Dino Range", 5/22, Live, 16

Tour: Snoopy Soars with NASA & Elmhurst History Museum, 5/29, Live, 12

How to Make a Butterfly Feeder, 5/26, 10 views, 46 take and make kits picked up (butterfly feeder)

Gardening for Birds and Butterflies by John Cebula, 5/20, Live, 87

Additional Recording Views from Past Programs, 85

Virtual Book Discussion: Garden Spells, by Sarah Addison Allen, 7

Virtual
Community
Outreach:

Summer Reading Zoom Meetings with Schools, 5 schools, 1,130

Literacy DuPage ESL Conversation Group, 3 sessions, 17

#### Services:

E-Resources:

Media on Demand Total: 3,901

Ebooks: 2546

E-Audiobooks: 1,074 Magazines: 273

Videos: 8

ERead Illinois/Axis 360: 245

Ebooks: 126 E-Audiobooks: 119

HOOPLA: 634 Ebooks: 214 E-Audiobooks: 331

Videos: 66 Music: 23

Kanopy Videos: 361 Plays

TumbleBooks: 21 BookFlix: 212

Home Page Views: 21,063 Curbside Pickup: 285 pickups Book Bundles for Children: 75 items Interlibrary Loans Received: 3,262

3D Printer Jobs: 4 - average print time: 2:00:00

Reference Questions: 2,680 in Adult/Teen and 554 in Children's Public PC Sessions: 1,140 in Adult/Teen and 42 in Children's

Study Rooms: 118 in Adult and 0 in Children's

Outreach Visits: 5

Volunteer Hours: 37 for Adult Museum Adventure Passes: 34 Aruba Wireless Total Sessions: 32,216

### Displays:

**Children's Services Department:** South Asia Book Award & Asian/Pacific American Award for Literature (1st Half); Sydney Taylor Book Award (Jewish American Heritage Month (2nd Half); Star Wars Day; Cinco de Mayo; World Plant a Vegetable Garden Day; Memorial Day; Decorated Land of Heroes; Outer Space; Long Ago; Butterflies; Dino Display

**Adult Services Department:** Binge Boxes; Hot Titles You Might Have Missed; Mental Health Awareness; Biographies; Teen Sports

### Staff Development and Training

Adult/Teen Services: George Kalinka SWAN Fireside Chat

Chris Keefe SWAN Fireside Chat

Engaging Presentations in Hybrid Times webinar

Brenda O'Brien Penguin Random House Spring Book Festival

NoveList Webinar on Gentle Reads and Up Literature

Aspen Discovery Webinar

**Children's Services:** Kelly Girard Indigenous Voices: Authentic Children's Literature in the

Classroom & Library

Picture Books for Summer & Beyond

Jennifer Shunt ReadSquared webinar

Mary Ann Steinhaus ReadSquared webinar

Circulation Services: Julie Lombardo SWAN BLUEcloud Analytics Office Hour

SWAN Patron Purge Q&A

WorldCat Discovery Search Fundamentals

SWAN Fireside Chat

Kay Minniti SWAN BLUEcloud Analytics Office Hour

SWAN Circulation and ILL Office Hour

SWAN/OCLC ILL Boot Camp SWAN Patron Purge Q&A WorldCat Discovery Interface

WorldCat Discovery Search Fundamentals

SWAN/OCLC ILL Boot Camp, Borrowing in WorldShare

Lisa Jones WorldCat Discovery Interface

WorldCat Discovery Search Fundamentals

Jorie Karum WorldCat Discovery Interface

Linked-In Learning WordPress Instruction

Ana Karun SWAN Circulation and ILL Office Hour

Dee Thurman SWAN/OCLC ILL Boot Camp

**Technical Services:** Amy Weiss SWAN Cataloging Advisory Meeting

WorldCat Discovery Interface WorldCat Discovery Fundamentals

Tess Forbes WorldCat Discovery Fundamentals

**Administration:** Pam Dubé Rotary

Cassie Gray Essentials of HR Law (Fred Pryor webinar)

Matt Hennessy SWAN Patron Purge Q&A webinar

Introduction to the SWAN Notice Dialer webinar

### **Library Operations**

Circulation for the month of May was 40,606 an 82% increase from May 2020, and a 21% decrease from May 2019. Registered borrowers number 23,353, which is 70.8% of the jurisdictional population. People/Door Count for month: 9,011