Library Director's Report June 2020

We reopened the building this week, and so far everything has gone very smoothly. We weren't sure how many people would be coming in, but we have not had to be concerned about capacity limits. With the seating and tables not available, that naturally limits the amount of time people spend in the building. It's too soon to assess trends; we haven't even had our first weekend yet. But it will be interesting to see how many people want to come in the building and how many will continue to use curbside pickup. Everyone has been very good about wearing face masks and observing social distancing. Although we have 10 computers in the lab, people have not had to wait. There is a one hour time limit, and that works well to keep a good flow for the computers.

We are assessing collection usage, both virtual and digital. Clearly while the building was closed, our digital collection usage increased greatly. We now need to see where things will settle. Preliminary indications are that there is still high interest in the digital collections and physical collection use may take some time to return to pre-pandemic numbers.

Because physical programming is not feasible right now, we are continuing to experiment with virtual programming. Our biggest success thus far has been our Elsa Facebook Live event. We had 180 patrons virtually attend, as well as 84 views of the recording after the fact. There is clearly an audience for this type of programming, which we will continue to explore.

There was a virtual TIF District meeting of all affected taxing bodies. As the unexpended funds from Woodridge's expiring TIF district are released, our share of the distribution is \$69,000. Our projection last year for our share of these funds, which was included in the budget, was \$69,554, so the final figure came very close to the projection. We do not have a date for when these funds will be released, but it will be in this fiscal year.

Library Programs and Services

Childrens: YouTube Storytime Views, 2 new storytimes, 416

YouTube Craft Views, 2 sessions, 101 Facebook Live Storytime - Superhero, 37 Facebook Live Storytime - Elsa, 180 Additional Views after programs, 128

Children's At-Home E-News Continues Every 2 weeks: 42% Open Rate

Adult: Writer's Voice Workshop (Virtual), 17

Genealogy Roundtable (Virtual), 20

Library Reopening Campaign: Social Distancing, Cleaning, Space Capacity & Safety

Information/Planning

Reopening Post Card: Mailed to 14,734 Households Curbside Pickup Service Campaign Continues

E-News Mailing List 5-Year Review: Added 2,743 Addresses, Totaling 15,678

Services:

E-Resources:

Media on Demand: 4,464 ERead Illinois/Axis 360: 430

Downloadable Magazines (RB Digital): 446

HOOPLA: 703 Kanopy: 454 plays TumbleBooks: 75 BookFlix: 137 Home Page Views: 20,127

Aruba Wireless Total Sessions: 4,906

Displays: Adult/Teen Department: Hot titles You May Have Missed; Summer Books; Comfort/Easy Reads;

Hit Movies; Black Lives Matter; Immigration Display; Pride Display

Staff Development and Training

Adult/Teen Services: George Kalinka SWAN Fireside Chats

SWAN E-Resource Advisory

Chris Keefe Converting Face-to-Face Training into Digital Learning -

Lynda.com course

Children's Services: Kelly Girard RAILS Fireside Chat

Circulation Services: Julie Lombardo SWAN Circulation Users Group

SWAN Poolside Chat

Technical Services: Amy Weiss Libraries and COVID-19: Reimagining Programming During

a Pandemic (webinar)

MARC 21 Standard: An Introduction (two part webinar)

RAILS Member Update

Cataloging and Classification Research Interest Group

Meeting (webinar)

SWAN Acquisition Users Group (webinar)

Creative Ideas in Technical Services Interest Group

Meeting (webinar)

OCLC Cataloging Community Virtual Meeting (webinar) LACONI TSS: Technical Services, COVID-19 & Reopening Cataloging Maintenance Center (CMC): Subject Analysis

Training (6 week web training class)

SWAN Fireside Chats

Tess Forbes SWAN Cataloging Users Group (webinar)

Erica Sanchez SWAN Acquisition Users Group (webinar)

Administration: Pam Dubé SWAN Fireside chats

Weekly Management Meetings

TIF District Meeting RAILS Member Update

Library Operations

Circulation for the month of June was 21,033

Registered borrowers number 23,983 which is 72.7% of the jurisdictional population.

People/Door Count for month: 0