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Library Administrator's Report March, 2014

The Big Read celebrates 10 years of shared-community programs this year. Adults are reading *The Longest Road* by Philip Caputo, and the **Kids Read Too!** participants are reading Go Go American: 50 States of Fun by Dan Yaccarino.

Both Board and staff had extra meetings in March related to our redesign project. This included a brainstorming session and walk-around with staff and the two architects. And our first venture into collaborative efforts offering computer classes at Westwood College to Library cardholders would appear to be a success, judging by the numbers. No official evaluations yet, but Westwood has indicated they wish to continue.

I am attaching a narrative this month to update Board members on several other developments.

<u>Library Programs and Services</u>

Children's: Baby Lapsit I and II, 12 sessions; 243

Toddler Time, 9 sessions; 153 Storytime, 12 sessions; 135 Drop-In Storytime, 3 sessions; 35 Spanish Storytime, 3 sessions; 38 International Storytime: French; 23

Every Child Ready to Read Workshop, 3 sessions; 39 Edgewood 6th Grade Research and Tour, 3 sessions; 78

Daisies Scout Tour; 7 Cub Scout Tour; 11 Krafty Kidz; 8

Kids Read Too! Ice Cream Masterpieces; 19 Community Resource Center, 2 sessions; 18

Young Adult: GOAT Meeting; 15

Adult: Stitch in Public Day; 25

Steve Justman: Americana Music (Big Read Program); 45

St. Patrick's Day Music with Phil Passen; 62

Library Needlers; 8

John F. Kennedy Program; 31

Check Out E-books from Media On Demand; 6

Check-Out E-books from eRead Illinois; 8

Representative from College of Dupage in Lobby; 4

Book Discussions: (Art Forger by Shapiro, Longest Road (Big Read) by Trigiani and Boy in the

Water (Crime Reader's Group)) by Dobyn; 27

Computer Classes: Intro, Intermediate Advanced Topics in Excel; Computer Basics, Files

and Folders, Intro to the Internet, Intro to Powerpoint, Parts 1 and 2; 53

Westwood College Computer Class: Home Networking; 17 residents attended all 4 sessions

Westwood College Computer Class: Photoshop; 20 residents attended all 4 sessions Art Display: Debbi Henderson, collage (Interestingly, out of 19 pieces on display, 12 have

been sold and 4 more were commissioned.)

Services: Reference Questions: 2260 Adult/YA and 1244 Children's

Public PC Sessions: 4537 Adult/YA and 556 Children's

Interlibrary Loans Received: 4671

Outreach Visits: 9

Volunteers: 28 from Community Service, 136.75 from Adults, 24.75 from YA

Displays: Adult/YA Department: Big Read Display; Teen Tech Week Display (YA), Women's History

Month, Spring into a Good Book

Children's: Book-a-Trip; Basketball; Kids Read Too! Book Display: Go-Go America; Farms; Dogs; St. Patrick's Day; National Pig Day; Women's History Month; Irish American Heritage Month; Spring; Young Readers Awards from Around the US;

Staff Development

In between regular department and staff meetings, there were two sessions with the Product Architecture people to brainstorm and then to do a walk-through of the building as preparation for our redesign. Many staff members attended the brainstorming session.

Adult: B.Van Opdorp - Strategic Planning for Teens, LACONI, Arlington Heights PL

- Google Gooru Webinar (Google Docs and Spreadsheets) Chris Keefe

Webinar

Circulation: Julie Lombardo

Joel Meisenheimer - LEARN Meeting, Harper Comm. College

Brenda O'Brien - Readers Advisory SIG, Books set in Texas, RAILS

- Overdrive Advantage Webinar

Pam Whitt - Who's Using WorldShare ILL Now? Webinar

- Joint NYWS/CLASS meeting on MakerBot; Homewood PL Children's S. Daun-Bedford

Kelly Girard - Public Library Association, Indianapolis (Report attached) Mary Ann Steinhous - Reader's Advisory: How Do You Measure Up? LJ Webinar

- Booklist's New Common Core Connections Webinar

Tech Services A. Weiss - Public Library Association Meeting, Indianapolis (Report Attached)

- Circulation Advisory Committee Meeting, RAILS

- Public Library Association Meeting, Indianapolis (Report

Attached)

Administration: S. McNeil-Marshall - 4 Rotary meetings/events

- SWAN Administrators Quarterly, RAILS

- Town Center Steering Committee Meeting, Village Hall - Town Center Town Hall Meeting, Edgewood School

- LIMRICC Board Meeting, Woodridge (last one as Board member)

- Training on Constant Contact, newsletter software Kay Kohut:

- Meeting with Steve Colozzi, Record Retention Officer, State of IL Kathy Stanek Pat Harwood - Meeting with Steve Colozzi, Record Retention Officer, State of IL

Library Operations

Circulation for the month of March was 54,265, down 7% from March, 2013. Registered borrowers number 22,420 which is 68% of the jurisdictional population. People/Door Count for month: 45,074