## Information Item #66

## Library Administrator's Report June, 2014

Summer Reading Programs at all levels are in full swing. Children's theme is "Fizz! Boom! Read!", the YA theme is "Plug Into a Good Book", and the Adult theme is "Literary Elements."

Sheri Daun-Bedford and George Kalinka met with Tarah Tesmer, District 68 Technology Trainer, about how our staff can best be informed about the expectations of the District as it rolls out its use of Google Chrome Books and Google Docs for use of its students. The three discussed Ms. Tesmer's doing training here for staff who will be helping students as well as their parents.

Susan McNeil-Marshall has agreed to serve as one of 10 SWAN Ambassadors for the next 12 months. Our first meeting was in June. Each of us will visit five SWAN member libraries who may not regularly participate in SWAN meetings. This one-on-one contact is seen as crucial as the consortium moves toward the new platform installation in April, 2015 and the many possible changes in procedures, loan rules, etc. A handout highlighting a few of the benefits of SWAN is included in this report packet.

Board members will note in the Staff Development Section that several staff members attended Big Read meetings during June. In addition to changes in SWAN and our own impending building project in the spring, a major change in the Big Read program is being discussed. No final decisions yet, but participating libraries are weighing in on the concept of having an <u>idea</u> or <u>theme</u> instead of a particular title. <u>Many</u> books could be highlighted instead of just one, but programming seems to be the big draw for people rather than the book discussions on their own. In addition, finding one author or title that appeals to diverse groups of readers has always been difficult as has getting an author to come for a wrap-up program.

## **Library Programs and Services**

**Children's:** School Visits for Summer Reading Programs: 32 presentations for 1512 students

Summer Magic, 4 sessions; 47 Twilight Tales, 4 sessions; 101

Lego Club; 50

Summer Adventures: Novelist K-8+; 5 Summer Adventures: World of Color; 5 Baby Lapsit Playgroup, 2 sessions; 77 Cross Stitch Bookmark, 2 sessions; 12

Lunch Bunch, 2 sessions; 28 Brown Bag Movies, 2 sessions; 56 Read to the Dogs, 2 sessions; 16

1,000 Books Before Kindergarten New Registrations: 38

Young Adult Practice ACT; 21

Babysitting Clinic Program: 22

Teen Volunteer Meeting, 3 sessions; 12

Jefferson Junior High Visit for Summer Reading; 100

**Adult:** Library Needlers; 6

Medicare 101; 42 Hungrytown (Music); 37 College Planning; 13

Book Discussion: Book of Ages by Lepore; 2

Computer Classes: 17 classes; (Intro to Email; Computer Basics; Files and Folders; Intro to Excel Parts 1 & 2; Intermediate Excel; Intro to PowerPoint Parts 1 & 2; Intro to Publisher; Donuts and Downloads: Audiobooks; Check Out E-books from Media On Demand; iPad

101; and Digital Photography Parts 1 – 4 at Westwood College); 86

Art Display: Joe and Judy Falout – Retrospective of Camera Club Competition Prints

Services: Reference Questions: 2563 Adult/YA and 1117 Children's

Public PC Sessions: 4414 Adult/YA and 722 Children's

Interlibrary Loans Received: 4138

Outreach Visits: 12

Volunteer Hours: 2.75 from Community Service, 182.5 from Adults, 59.25 from YA

**Displays:** Adult/YA Department: Reflections of Pride (LGBT Pride Month); Summer Read Program:

Lights, Camera, Read!: Books Made into Movies; Little Books, Big Ideas; What's Going On?

Children's: Fizz! Boom! Science Fiction; Fizz! Boom! Juvenile Easy Books; Cool Down with Good Mysteries; World Cup Soccer; Inquiring Minds Want to Know; Eric Carle: Thanks for the

Memories; Early Literacy

**Staff Development and Training** 

Adult: Joel Meisenheimer - Ebooks and Downloadable Audiobooks Training

Brenda O'Brien - Big Read Meeting, Hinsdale PL

Chris Keefe - Bozarthzone! Upskilling: The 21st Century Trainer Webinar

- Tumblr for Social Good Organizations Webinar

Denise Murray - Website Data Analysis Webinar

Children's: S. Daun-Bedford - CLSP Budget Committee Conference Call

- Big Read Meeting, Hinsdale PL

Kate Lehman - ALA Exhibits and Attended Speeches of Newbery Award Dinner

Mary Ann Steinhaus - Learning Express Library Microsoft Word 2013 Basic Beginner

Course, Woodridge PL Database program

**Tech Services:** Amy Weiss - LACONI Tech Services Section Planning Meeting, Elgin PL

- LACONI All Boards Meeting, North Aurora PL

Administration: S. McNeil-Marshall - 2 Rotary meetings

- Village Administrator's Lunch: All Taxing Body Heads

- SWAN Administrators Quarterly, RAILS

SWAN Ambassadors Meeting,RAILS Member Update; RAILS

- Big Read Meeting for Library Directors, Hinsdale PL

Kay Kohut - Marketing Meeting, Indian Prairie PL

- Big Read Meeting, Hinsdale PL

## **Library Operations**

Circulation for the month of June was 65,606, down 6% from June, 2013

Registered borrowers number 22, 591 which is 68.5% of the jurisdictional population.

People/ Door Count for the Month: June - 52,731