Library Director's Report February 2024

A renewal of the Library interior began in earnest on February 5 with the hiring of a Facilities Supervisor, a new position that we have added to the Library Organizational Chart. Directing deep spring-cleaning efforts by custodians and strategically working on maintenance projects such as ballast replacement, painting, and furniture relocation has had an immediate and positive impact on the functioning and enjoyment of the library building.

A Black History Month exhibit on loan from Miami University received attention from a variety of community groups, including visitors from local schools and retirement communities who treated the exhibit as a "field trip." This was a new category of programming for us—an exhibit on loan—and we invited the Village of Woodridge to help us promote it. Other firsts: we held a great Rubik's Cube Challenge event, Glow Week was a big hit with all ages and we have been receiving good feedback from program attendees.

<u>Library Programs and Services</u>

Children's: <u>In-Person Programs</u>

Preschool Play & Learn - Don't Worry, Be Happy, 35

STEAM - Fizzy Art, 20

Winter Explorers Toddler Style, 35

BINGO - Valentine's Day, 2 sessions, 48

Let's Glow Play, 86

Glow Art, Toddler-Preschool,64

Glow Art, Grades K-3, 65 Glow Art, Grades 4-6, 5

Glow Crazy Dance Party, 2 sessions, 137

Movie Afternoon, 57

Scavenger Hunt - Presidential Fun, 160

Super Simple Origami, 21 Rubik's Cube Challenge, 100 LEGO - Ramps & Slides, 17 Mini PomPom Food Animals, 33

Baby Lapsit, 7 sessions, 150 Toddler Time, 13 sessions, 208 Preschool Storytime, 6 sessions, 86 1000 Books Before Kindergarten Visits, 36

Building Blocks for Tots, 4 packets, 400 Take & Make Crafts, 3 Projects, 550

Adult: <u>In-Person Programs</u>

Art Gallery: Midwest Collage Society

Artists Reception, 50

Live Music: The New Odyssey Guy, 110

Introduction to Google Docs, 6 Introduction to Google Sheets, 7

We Love BINGO, 79

Craft & SIP: Paint a Valentine's Wine Glass, 63

Library Book Discussion: Remarkably Bright Creatures by Shelby Van Pelt, 14

Senior Cards & Games, 2 sessions, 16

Puzzle Pack: 240

Adult & Teen Take & Make, 100

Virtual Programs

Illinois Libraries Presents: Draw Comics with Jerry Craft, 16

Illinois Libraries Presents: Discussion with Romance Author Julie Quinn,14

Tween/Teen: Glow Canvas, 22

Glow Art, 5

Teen Volunteering, 5 (7.5 volunteer hours)
Teen Pizza & Service, 10 (15 volunteer hours)

Community

Outreach: Virtual: Literacy DuPage ESL Conversation Group, 4 sessions, 80; Writing Journey, 6; Read

Across America, 20 sessions, 411; Golden Years Senior Group/Park District, 72

Services: E-Resources:

Media on Demand Total: 5,363

Ebooks: 2,495 E-Audiobooks: 1,649 Magazines: 1,219 ERead Illinois/Axis 360: 247

Ebooks: 116

E-Audiobooks: 131 HOOPLA: 1,289 Ebooks: 374

E-Audiobooks: 818

Videos: 59 Music: 38

Kanopy Videos: 198 Plays

BookFlix: 18

Website Users: 7,717

Curbside Pickup: 33 pickups

Book Bundles for Children: 49 items Interlibrary Loans Received: 3,243

3D Printer Jobs: 5

Reference Questions: 3,911 in Adult/Teen and 1,088 in Children's Public PC Sessions: 1,328 in Adult/Teen and 226 in Children's

Study Rooms: 766 in Adult and 10 in Children's

Outreach/Homebound Visits: 10 Volunteer Hours: 93.5 for Adult Museum Adventure Passes: 18 Aruba Wireless Total Sessions: 29,270

Displays: Children's Services Department: Black History Month; Chinese New Year; Gnomebody Loves

Books Like We Do; Give These Books a Shot; President's Day; Shelf and Book Bundles; Teacher

Packs; Grab and Go

Adult Services Department: African American and the Arts; Fast Reads; Black History Month;

February is Heart Health Month

Staff Development and Training

Adult/Teen Services: Chris Keefe Improv for Employee Development: Simple Activities to

Increase Virtual and Face-to-Face Learning and

Engagement - HRDQ-U

Generative Al Treands in the Workplace: How the Future

of Work is Forever Changed - HRDQ-U

Kate Lagerstrom Books That Are Buzzing for Spring webinar

Macmillan Spring/Summer 2024 Preview webinar

Library Love Fest webinar

Children's Services: Megan Bauer

Elizabeth Burns Carrie Erickson Kristina Grudem Jennifer Shunt

Anderson's 22nd Annual Children's Literature Breakfast

Jessica Smith Sarah Wilson

Mary Ann Steinhaus The Science of Reading

School Library Journal program: Ask a Librarian: Key K-12

Reading Trends for 2024

Jennifer Shunt Black Voices for Black History Month

Megan Bauer Shelf Essentials for Kids and Teens from American

Psychological Association

Fall 2023 Bearport & Jump Webinar

Circulation Services: Julie Lombardo SWAN ILL Users Group

SWAN Fireside Chat

Ryan Babic SWAN Online Learning

Demand Management

Stephanie Larkins SWAN Online Learning

Patron Management

Patron Account Blocks & Notes

Eileen Neuffer SWAN Online Learning

Bills in a Patron Account

Patron Account Blocks and Notes

Resource Sharing in SWAN Demand Management

Isabella Oberg Searching in WorkFlows

Technical Services: Amy Weiss SWAN Acquisitions & Cataloging User's Group

Technical Services Networking Group

Administration: Patti Naisbitt ALA Library Director Crash Course: Finances, Board

Woodridge Administrators' Quarterly Meeting School District 68 & SWAN: Student Cards & Data

Laura Dygus HR Source Peer Hub

One Person HR Department - Pryor Learning

Human Resources Association of Greater Oak Brook -

Weekly Meetings

Matt Hennessy RingCentral Mitel Migration

SWAN Fireside Chat

Library Operations

Circulation for the month of February was 40,375, an increase of 5% from February 2023. Registered borrowers number 22,904, which is 67.1% of the jurisdictional population. People/Door Count for month: 14,037