Library Director's Report April 2022

We had our first meeting of the Woodridge Administrators' Group in over two years. This meeting is for the administrators of the Village, Park District, Library, Schools, and Fire Departments to meet and exchange information. These are Quarterly Meetings and a good way to brainstorm, network, and keep up with what is happening in different areas of Woodridge. The SWAN Zone 1 meetings have also resumed after a two year absence. These meetings are every other month and consist of local library directors who are in the SWAN consortium. There is always a helpful exchange of information at these meetings.

We have been running some contests that have been doing very well for us. The library had both the Chickenstock Joke Contest where people submit their best chicken joke, and our Poetry Contest, where people submit original poetry. Interestingly, our more standard poetry programs tend to get low attendance, but our poetry contest did very well. We are finding that many of our most successful programs have an interactive element, as opposed to the more traditional program where people sit in an audience and receive information.

Library Programs and Services

Children's: <u>Virtual Programs</u>

Bunny Storytime, 12

Additional Recording Views from Past Programs, 4/1-4/30, YouTube, 47

<u>In-Person Programs</u>

Little Artists, 2 sessions, 12

STEAM Meet Up - Zeotrope, 12

Sing-Along Saturday, 7

Book Magic - Spring, 2 sessions, 11

Pop-up Maker Space, 2 sessions, 11

Springo, 2 sessions, 13

Movin' & Groovin', 2 sessions,

Baby Lapsit I, 3 sessions, 25

Baby Lapsit II, 6 sessions, 99

Toddler Time, 12 sessions, 111

Storytime 3-5s, 9 sessions, 99

Building Blocks for Tots, 1 view, 400 packets

Baby Activity kits - Brainy Baby Art, 50

Take & Make Crafts, 2 Projects, 523

1000 Books Before Kindergarten, 5

Passive: Egg Matching Hunt, 270

Passive: Scavenger Hunts, 258

Passive: Chickens, 54 additional (185 reported in March)

Chickenstock, 250

Adult: Virtual Programs

Great British Baking Tour, 30

In-Person Programs

Introduction to TinkerCad, 5

Introduction to PowerPoint, 3

Introduction to Excel, 5

Intermediate Excel, 2

Book Discussion: The Thursday Murder Club by Richard Osman, 9

Senior Cards & Games, 2 sessions, 12

Adult Take & Make: Bird Seed Cake, 92 Adult Take & Make: Yarn Bird, 134 Puzzle Pack: Golden Girls Edition, 249

Teen: Take & Make: Paper Squishies, 82

Virtual Teen Winter Quarter Volunteers, 18, 63 Project Hours

All Ages: Chickenstock Joke Contest, 53

Poetry Contest, 47

Virtual

Community

Outreach: Virtual Literacy DuPage ESL Conversation Group, 4 sessions, 13

Virtual SSIP Citizenship Prep Classes, 4 session, 40

Services:

E-Resources:

Media on Demand Total: 3,628

Ebooks: 2,281

E-Audiobooks: 1,030 Magazines: 315

Videos: 2

ERead Illinois/Axis 360: 252

Ebooks: 129

E-Audiobooks: 123

HOOPLA: 797 Ebooks: 262 E-Audiobooks: 445

Videos: 33 Music: 57

Kanopy Videos: 493 Plays

TumbleBooks: 2 BookFlix: 163

Home Page Views: 24,888 Curbside Pickup: 95 pickups Book Bundles for Children: 5 items Interlibrary Loans Received: 3,061

3D Printer Jobs: 4 - average print time: 1:38:15

Reference Questions: 3,185 in Adult/Teen and 609 in Children's Public PC Sessions: 1,373 in Adult/Teen and 32 in Children's

Study Rooms: 594 in Adult and 6 in Children's

Outreach Visits: 6

Volunteer Hours: 95.5 for Adult Museum Adventure Passes: 13 Aruba Wireless Total Sessions: 49,526

Displays: Children's Services Department: National Arab-American Heritage Month (Arab American Book

Award & Middle East Book Award); Reading with my Peeps (Spring/Easter); Mother's Day;

Ramadan 2022; March Madness Continued; Novels in Verse; Buggy for Books

Adult Services Department: Jazz Month; National Poetry Month; Binge Boxes; Hot Titles You Might Have Missed; Grow Your Garden; Earth Day (Teen Display); National Poetry Month (Teen Display)

Staff Development and Training

Adult/Teen Services: Chris Keefe Designing for Human Behavior webinar - American Libraries

Live

Streaming Video with Kanopy and OverDrive webinar,

OverDrive

Denise Murray Library Market Website Meetings

Brenda O'Brien Penguin/Random House Spring Book & Author Festival online

Children's Services: Elizabeth Burns Children's Plus Vendor

Carrie Erickson Dealing with Angry Customer Behavior

Paula Leonard Children's Plus Vendor Patrick Maloney Children's Plus Vendor

Jennifer Shunt Shake Up Your Shelves: Examining AAPI Representation in

Library Collections and Classrooms

Talking to Tweens: Middle Grade Authors You Need to Know

Mary Ann Steinhaus Children's Plus Vendor

Circulation Services: Julie Lombardo Conflict Resolution

SWAN ILL Boot Camp - Article Exchange and Copyright

SWAN Circ Users Group SWAN Fireside Chat

BlueCloud Circ and BlueCloud Staff, SWAN Update

Edita Dirzys Overcoming Perfectionism, Pryor Learning

Ana Karun De-Escalating Conversation for Customer Service, LinkedIn

Learning

Creating Positivie Conversations with Challenging Customers,

LinkedIn Learning

Jorie Karum Copyright 101, OCLC

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Dee Thurman SWAN ILL Boot Camp - Article Exchange and Copyright

Technical Services: Amy Weiss LACONI TSS: Words Matter: Creating a More Inclusive Catalog

SWAN Fireside Chat

Administration: Pam Dubé Library Market Website Meetings

RAILS Data Resources

Woodridge Quarterly Administrators' Meeting

Nancy Bandusky Financial Edge NXT: Payables Series Parts 1 and 2
Deb Fowler IMET - How to Implement and Comply with GASB 87

Matt Hennessy Bibliotheca Meeting

SWAN Fireside Chat

Patti Naisbitt Library Market Website Meetings

Library Operations

Circulation for the month of April was 38,820 a 6% decrease from April 2021. Registered borrowers number 22,982, which is 67.3% of the jurisdictional population. People/Door Count for month: 11,069