Library Director's Report May 2023

Work began on the exterior renovation of the Library building in mid-May, with the painting vendor completing the removal of paint layers as planned. Beyond scraping, painters used grinding tools to remove material as they fully prepared surfaces for a primer, which, after inspection by FQC (construction services oversight) and a representative from the primer's manufacturer, was applied. Only surface level pitting of the steel beams has been encountered, with Williams Architect and FQC concluding that the steel exterior is structurally sound. The project will continue to the next step, applying an intumescent coating. During an onsite meeting, all parties involved in the renovation reviewed a mock-up of the steel panels that will be added to the Library exterior, with some important notes regarding color, style, placement, and future access to windows/caulking being confirmed/decided. Work will continue to be inspected and confirmed as the project continues to ensure best practices and preparations are being followed.

Illinois has passed what is being referred to as the first law in the country preventing book bans. Prior to the implementation of this law in 2024, public libraries will receive further guidance from the State as to what procedure or reporting we have to follow in order to maintain full funding. Our library already follows an important aspect of the law: according to our Library Bylaws we are guided by ALA ethics, including a key statement "We uphold the principles of intellectual freedom and resist all efforts to censor library resources."

Library Programs and Services

Children's: Virtual Programs

Additional Recording Views from Past Programs, 5/1-5/31, YouTube, 23

<u>In-Person Programs</u>

Star Wars Family Trivia, 34 Baby Color Explorers, 14

Cinco De Mayo Bingo, 2 sessions, 32

Fancy Nancy Tea Party, 85

Bad Art Night, 22 Glue & 3D Pen Art, 12

Trash to Treasure: Making Paper, 18 Scavenger Hunt (Star Wars), 33 Scavenger Hunt (Summer), 130

1000 Books Before Kindergarten, 3

Building Blocks for Tots, 2 views, 400 packets Take & Make Crafts, 3 Projects, 500

Adult: Virtual Programs

What is Open Source Software?, 25

NAMI: Anxiety & Depression, 35 in-person, 9 additional views

Views from previously recorded programs, 362

In-Person Programs

May Recycling Lobby Exhibit Morton Arboretum Art Show Excel: Conditional Formatting, 8 Meditation 101, 2 sessions, 48

Tissue Paper Flowers, 21

Live Music: Michael Bublé Hits, James Libera, 80

Senior Cards & Games, 2 sessions, 16

Adult Take & Make: Pressed Flower Bookmark, 175

Puzzle Pack: Nostalgia Edition, 225

Tween/Teen:

Pizza Night & Service, 15 Teens, 22 Volunteer Hours

Take & Make: Star Gazing Craft, 160

Community

Outreach: Virtual: Literacy DuPage ESL Conversation Group, 5 sessions, 19

Willow Creek Elementary School Visit, 283
Murphy Elementary School Visit, 280
Meadowview Elementary School Visit, 375
Sipley Elementary School Visit, 322
Edgewood Elementary School Visit, 292
Goodrich Elementary School Visit, 293

Jefferson Junior High, 10 teachers, materials for 700 students

Services:

E-Resources:

Media on Demand Total: 4,194

Ebooks: 2,495 E-Audiobooks: 1,389 Magazines: 310 ERead Illinois/Axis 360: 248

> Ebooks: 110 E-Audiobooks: 138

HOOPLA: 1,072 Ebooks: 375

E-Audiobooks: 607

Videos: 52 Music: 38

Kanopy Videos: 327 Plays

BookFlix: 43

Website Users: 6,923

Curbside Pickup: 38 pickups Book Bundles for Children: 42 items Interlibrary Loans Received: 2,724

3D Printer Jobs: 3 - average print time: 1:30:40

Reference Questions: 3,159 in Adult/Teen and 1,095 in Children's Public PC Sessions: 1,464 in Adult/Teen and 144 in Children's

Study Rooms: 613 in Adult and 17 in Children's

Outreach Visits: 9

Volunteer Hours: 102 for Adult Museum Adventure Passes: 49 Aruba Wireless Total Sessions: 26,947

Displays:

Children's Services Department: Reading is a Passport to Adventure; Cinco de Mayo; Mother's Day; Jewish American Heritage Month; Memorial Day; May the 4th Be with You (Star Wars); Asian American & Pacific Islander Heritage Month; Food for Thought; Royal Reads; Cosmic Realm; Mystery Harbor; Teacher Packs; Shelf Book Bundles; Grab and Go

Adult Services Department: Mental Health Month; Here There Be Dragons; May is for Manga; Saw it on #BookTok; Binge Boxes; Hot Titles You Might Have Missed; Asian, Asian American, and Pacific Islander Month; Road Trip Reads; Celebrating Jewish Heritage Month; May Flowers

Lobby: Jewish-American History, Asian American Pacific Islander: Hoopla/Kanopy

Staff Development and Training

Adult/Teen Services: Chris Keefe Microsoft Access - Databse Design, Queries and Reports

Expand Content Discovery and Leverage Patron

Interest with Libby

Kate Lagerstrom Library Journal Day of Dialogue

OverDrive - Weeding Titles webinar RAILS "Tik Tok Pro Tips" webinar

Children's Services: Elizabeth Burns Booklist Webinar: Homeschooling and Series Nonfiction

Megan Bauer SLJ's Spring Nonfiction Preview: Part Two

Booklist Webinar: Homeschooling and Series Nonfiction

Jennifer Shunt Summer 2023 Preview, Penguin Classroom

Fall 2023 Librarian Preview with HarperCollins

Circulation Services: Julie Lombardo SWAN MessageBee Training

Middle Managers Round Table

SWAN Fireside Chat

Kay Minniti SWAN MessageBee Training

Dee Thurman SWAN Circ/ILL/Outreach Office Hours

SWAN MessageBee Training

Technical Services: Amy Weiss State of the Village

SWAN Acquisitions & Cataloging Users Group

Tess Forbes SWAN Acquisitions & Cataloging Users Group

Ana Karun SWAN Online Courses:

Searching in WorkFlows

Adding Call Numbers and Items

Creating Pre-Cats Working with Series

General Local Practices in Cataloging

Local Practices in Book

Administration: Patti Naisbitt State of the Village

Exterior Renovation: Metal Panel Review Meeting

Painter/FQC Meeting

Laura Dygus iSolved Payroll Customer Roadshow

HR Source Paid Leave for All Workers

HR Source Library HR Managers Monthly Roundtable

Deb Fowler State of the Village

Exterior Renovation: Metal Panel Review Meeting

Matt Hennessy Technology Roadmap

SWAN Fireside Chat State of the Village

Library Operations

Circulation for the month of May was 39,586, an increase of 108 items from May 2022. Registered borrowers number 23,862, which is 69.9% of the jurisdictional population. People/Door Count for month: 13,019