Library Director's Report August 2022

We launched our redesigned web site on August 22nd. The impetus for the upgrade was the expiration of our web site's Drupal 7 platform, but it was also a good opportunity to give our site a refresh. Our new site is on Drupal 9, and is much easier for us to make modifications when we want to update content. We were also able to make frequently accessed content more prominent, such as wireless printing and download and streaming services. Our new calendar has features that make it easier for staff to add information, and our newsletter signups are already increasing due to its more visible presence on our site. The google translate feature also makes it much more user friendly for those who need to access the site in different languages.

Our Staff In-Service morning was on August 26th and was our first truly traditional one since before the pandemic; there is really no substitute for having everyone in the same room. We had presentations on mental health, both for the individual and for patrons and also had a short presentation for Kelly Girard, our Assistant Manager of the Children's Department, who has worked at the library for 45 years. Kelly will be retiring on October 28th. She will be missed, but we can only be happy for her as this is a much deserved retirement.

Library Programs and Services

Children's: <u>Virtual Programs</u> Back to School Storytime, 10 Additional Recording Views from Past Programs, 8/1-8/31, YouTube, 62

> In-Person Programs Book Swap, 20 Storytime in the Parks (with Park District), 56

1000 Books Before Kindergarten, 2

Building Blocks for Tots, 30 views, 400 packets Take & Make Crafts, 3 Projects, 500 Backpack Challenge Drawing, 308

Adult: <u>Virtual Programs</u> Views from past virtual programs, 421

> In-Person Programs Art Gallery: Bryant Bell Mailings Made Easy with Word, 6 Introduction to Excel, 4 Intermediate Excel, 6 Music of Pete Seeger: Live, 82 Yahtzee, Boggle, Wordle Night, 9 Julia Child Portrayal: Leslie Goddard, 45 Senior Cards & Games, 11

Adult Take & Make: Cactus Planter Kits, 135 Puzzle Pack: Travel Edition, 180

- Tween/Teen:Take & Make: Buggles Locker Tin, 98Take & Make: Fidget Bracelet,
- All Ages: Duck Float Prize Drawing, 778

Community

Outreach: DuPage Regional Office of Education (Family) Group Connection Meeting, 22 TEACH Tutor Training, 15 Virtual: Literacy DuPage ESL Conversation Group, 4 sessions, 23 Virtual: GPS (Glenbard Parent Series) Unlocking Every Child's Potential, 90 Live, 78 recorded

Services:

E-Resources: Media on Demand Total: 4,081 Ebooks: 2,515 E-Audiobooks: 1,298 Magazines: 268 Videos: 0 ERead Illinois/Axis 360: 260 Ebooks: 132 E-Audiobooks: 128 HOOPLA: 805 Ebooks: 280 E-Audiobooks: 454 Videos: 44 Music: 27 Kanopy Videos: 437 Plays TumbleBooks: 13 BookFlix: 11

Home Page Views: 32,812 Curbside Pickup: 51 pickups Book Bundles for Children: 12 items Interlibrary Loans Received: 3,059 3D Printer Jobs: 3 - average print time: 0:30:00 Reference Questions: 3,4455 in Adult/Teen and 886 in Children's Public PC Sessions: 1,464 in Adult/Teen and 79 in Children's Study Rooms: 606 in Adult and 19 in Children's Outreach Visits: 6 Volunteer Hours: 100 for Adult Museum Adventure Passes: 47 Aruba Wireless Total Sessions: 26,665

Displays: Children's Services Department: Back to School; Newbery's 100th Anniversary; World Lion Day; National Honey Bee Awareness Day; Be Kind to Humankind Day; Travel Across America; Kindness/Friendship; Farms

Adult Services Department: Julia Child-related books; Popular Science; Urban Fantasy; Dog Days of Summer; Binge Boxes; Hot Titles You Might Have Missed; Celebrity Book Club Picks

Staff Development and Training

Staff In-Service was held on Friday, August 26th and 34 staff members attended. The training topic was "Recognizing Mental Health Needs." The presenters were from Northeast DuPage Family & Youth Services.

Adult/Teen Services:	George Kalinka Chris Keefe	SWAN Fireside Chat Strategic Goal Setting Excel Fundamentals - Formulas for FinanceOnline Emerging Tech Trends for 2022 and Beyond
	Brenda O'Brien	Sourcebooks Online Fall Book Preview Booklist Online Fall Adult Favorites: Learning about forthcoming popular titles

Children's Services:	Kelly Girard Elizabeth Burns Carrie Erickson Paula Leonard	Booklist webinar: MacKids Fall '22 Preview Event Booklist webinar: Fall Series Nonfiction RAILS webinar: Beyond Storytimes: Virtual Programs & Services Pryor Seminars: Change Management Series Communication Toolkit-Meeting Etiquette Communication Toolkit-Speaking to Superiors Communication Toolkit-Speaking to Body Language Communication Toolkit-Corresponding via Email Communication Toolkit-Becoming a Master
	Mary Ann Steinhaus	Communicator 10 Library Listing Lessons from the ALA Conference 2022
Circulation Services:	Julie Lombardo	SWAN Fireside Chat
	Megan Bauer Ana Karun Sabrina Kahren Dee Thurman	Annual SWAN Expo
Technical Services:	Amy Weiss	Intermediate Library of Congress Subject Headings Tech Services Networking Group
Administration:	Pam Dubé	School Dist 68/Park District/Library Planning Meeting Williams Architects Meeting Staff In Service Meeting SWAN Fireside Chat
	Deb Fowler	Blackbaud Financial Edge NXT - Explore the New Updates to Security and General Ledger
	Matt Hennessy	WPL New Website Overview SWAN Fireside Chat
	Patti Naisbitt	LACONI: Passive Programs & Exhibits

Library Operations

Circulation for the month of August was 45,366, a 4% increase from August 2021. Registered borrowers number 23,266, which is 68% of the jurisdictional population. People/Door Count for month: 12,877