Library Director's Report April, 2017

April was a month with a number of key outreach events. We were honored as an Outstanding Community Partner at the West Suburban Community Pantry Dinner, we attended the Village of Woodridge Annual Town Meeting, and we held our big 50th Anniversary Party event on April 22nd. There was a lot happening in April, and I greatly appreciate the Board attending these events. The increased visibility and community engagement reach of these events is important to us. Our Anniversary event dominated the front page of *The Bugle*, and there was a lengthy and very complimentary article in the paper.

At our All Staff Meeting on the morning of April 28th, we covered marketing for the library, and what individual staff members can do to contribute to library marketing. Jane Malmberg gave everyone information on updates to our library calendar, summer reading, and our new summer reading registration software, Read Squared. Tonya Alexander provided safety training and showed a safety video.

On May 7th, our new Board Member, Clinton James, was sworn in. Welcome, Clinton! Jane Whiteside and Bill Thompson were also sworn in to serve new terms as Board members. It was a popular event, with people spilling out into the hallway of the Village Board Room.

A quick note about our circulation statistics. Our circulation numbers show a decrease, and this is because they are being calculated differently. Before, all in house checkout were counting as circulation (for instance, checking items out to accounts such as missing, repair and discard.) Those were not checkouts that represented real circulation, and they have been removed from the calculations. As a consequence, we will see lower numbers and decreases until we get to the point where we are comparing using the same criteria.

Library Programs and Services

Children's: Baby Lapsit I and II, 12 sessions; 263

Toddler Time, 9 sessions; 158 Storytime, 12 sessions; 127 Drop-In Storytime, 6 sessions; 64 Spanish Storytime, 8 sessions; 53

1000 Books Before Kindergarten; 5 additional; 499 total in the program

Drop in DIY: Marshmallow Engineering; 4 CS First Coding Club (gr 4-6), 4 sessions; 26

No School LEGO Club; 7 Guess the Jellybeans; 84

Crafts – Candles, Hats, cupcakes, 139 Magician Christopher George; 110

Homeschool LEGO Club; 28

Park District Kidz Squad: K-3 @ARC & 4-6 (2 groups each); 69 Park District Totschool – tour + storytime; 2 sessions; 70

Adult: PRC Computer Basics; 20

Lisle Job Club, 3 Programs; 141 Great Decisions, 1 Program; 27

Adult Coloring; 11 Writing Journey; 21 Library Needlers; 8

History Midway Airport; 32 New Movie Matinee; 50 50th Birthday Party; 400 Chris Colletti Sings; 55 Golden Mini Garden; 27

Credit Reports; 3

SummerCamp Subsidy Info Tables; 38

Social Security; 15 Money Smart; 10

District 99 Student Art Exhibit

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Community Outreach

SSIP Citizenship Test Prep Classes, 78

Book Discussions: Airs Above the Ground, by Mary Stewart; Tiger in the Smoke, by Margery

Allingham; The Translation of Love, by Lynne Kutsukake; 28

Computer Classes: 2 classes Into Microsoft Word 5; Intermediate Microsoft Word 5; Into

Microsoft PowerPoint 4; Intermediate Microsoft PowerPoint 4; What is a Raspberry Pi?

6; Instagram Basics 9; iPad Basics 4

Services: Reference Questions: 3179 Adult/Teen and 829 Children's

Public PC Sessions: 1441 Adult/Teen and 286 Children's

Interlibrary Loans Received: 3739

Outreach Visits: 9

Home Page Views: 28,230

Study Rooms: 648

Volunteer Hours: 153 from Adults and 1 from Teens

Notary Services: 15

Museum Adventure Passes; 19

Tours: 7

Meraki Wireless Unique Users:

Displays: Adult/Teen Department: Cake Decorating to Tie in with 50th Birthday; 1917 America Enters

WWI; National Poetry Month Display; Poems put out for Poem in Your Pocket Day, 70 taken;

Cyberpunk; what's Going On?; April Showers-Books with "Rain" in the title

Children's: Amelia Bloomer Award (cont. from March); Books Kids Were Reading in 1967, Happy Birthday Books; Toddler Time Themes; Passover, Birthday Party; Basher, Under the

Sea, Baseball; Be Gentle to the Earth; Earth Day; Arbor Day; Mystery Book

Staff Development and Training

Collection Services A. Weiss

Admin:

Cindy Tardy-Jones Pam Dubé

Additional staff development opportunities are listed below.

Adult: Denise Murray - E-resources training for Circulation staff

- Citizenship Prep

Woodridge Town Hall Meeting

Civility Goes Viral

George Kalinka Woodridge Town Hall Meeting

Meghan Hall - Exploring Ancestry DNA's New Genetic Communities

Chris Keefe - Measuring the Impact and ROI of Training

-Raspberry Pi: Unlocking New Ideas for Your Library

Children's: Jane Malmberg - Live Demo for new Summer Reading software at staff in-service (March) Illinois Youth Service Institute Create You Adventure Kelly Girard

Kate Lehman - Webinar – 75th Anniversary of Golden Books

Shireen Tyberg - Webinar - Booklist Middle Grade Reading Spring 2017

Circulation: Julie Lombardo - SWAN Circulation User Group at Prairie Trails PL

- E-Resources Instruction lead by Denise Murray

- Swan Cataloging User Group meeting, RAILS

SWAN Cataloging Advisory Group Meeting, RAILS

Swan Acquisition Users Group Meeting, Berwyn Public Library SWAN Acquisition User Group Meeting, Berwyn Public Library

- SLED (Small Library Education Day). Mendota Civic Center

-West Suburban Community Pantry Dinner

-New Board Member Orientation – Clinton James/Jay Tiede

-Village of Woodridge Town Meeting

-Village Board Meeting

- All Staff Meeting

Tonya Alexander - HR Roundtable Tinley Park

- Seminar; Employment Law

Patricia Harwood - Seminar: Strategies for the Overwhelmed

Seminar: Developing Emotional Intelligence

Seminar: How to be an assertive Manager or Supervisor

Webinar: DISC Introduction

Webinar: DISC Understanding DISC Styles Webinar: A Manager Overview of the FMLA

Library Operations

Circulation for the month of April was 47,525 a 4% decrease from April 2016. Registered borrowers number 25,347 which is 77% of the jurisdictional population. People/Door Count for month: 42,175