

BRIDGEPORT LIBRARY

Burroughs-Saden/Public Services

April 2023 Monthly Report

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Service Statistics	New library cards: TOTAL 66 (46 A, 5 YA, 15 J) Questions answered: 2,046 TOTAL (835 Ref, 973 Other, 238 Technical Assistance) Number of visitors: 4,687 Number of online database sessions: n/a Number of interlibrary loans (in/out): 109/504
Collection Statistics	Adult: 227,382 A&V materials: 25, 281 Teen: 6,264 Magazines & Newspapers: 4,020 Children: 61,985 TOTAL: 325, 057 (231 added and 63#ithdrawn in December) Hotspots: 47 Cultural passes: 78
Circulation Statistics	Adult: 823 A&V materials: 465 Teen: 108 Magazines & Newspapers: 9 Children: 1,349 Hot spots: 33 Cultural passes: 9 In-house: 450 Grand totals: 2,797
Public Internet Usage	Users for the month: 1058 WIFI use: 618
Staff Development	Jaime P. Continues training in HC and Reference Services. Michael H.'s training is planned for his transition to HC in May Elizabeth VT and Jaimie P. attended a community archiving webinar Elizabeth VT attended an info session regarding the "Subject Guide" project (CT SHRAB/Conservation ConneCTion). HC is applying for on-site visits by a consulting archivist for guidance on the creation of guides for specific projects. New staff in reference (Twana J. and David M.) are being trained in reference-specific duties now that they are here at Burroughs. Margaret has been working with Mergent Intellect to get a trial period and see how it compares to DataAxle. She also went through a brief training with a rep to get an understanding of the database.

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ADULT SERVICES

Highlights

RandR:

- Reference is receiving many more questions in all formats
- Reference planned all summer programs, incl. a Juneteenth visit with Jeffrey Fletcher from the African American Museum in Stratford.
- Reference moved over our copying machine and in early May will set up an OPAC in the TB room

R and R Collections

- Jamie, Adam, and Margaret submitted to-order requests to Vivian (from catalogs)
- Twana has already started to re-map the closed stacks. Our old maps are no longer accurate

Concerns:

- Staffing is improved but Saturdays are still an issue. Often, there is only one person at a time on the 2nd fl.
- With the increase in patron numbers there has been an increase in mentally unwell visitors too. None have presented serious issues yet, but several are periodically loud.

BHC:

- Increased Reference requests coming to HC
- Library Assistant Michael H. will be shifting his work focus to HC services

HC Collections:

- HC received a scrapbook donation from the family of suffragist Maud Hinck
- Deaccessions: ongoing

HC Outreach (ongoing)

- EV working with Advantage Preservation and LDS/Family Search re: digitization of materials
- EV working with Synergy of Westport on "Bridgeport Working" website. HC will be able to add content, make edits, and create a lesson plan for students.

Concerns

- staffing issues in Reference affecting services in HC

Programing Milestones

RandR: ESL: 0 zoom, 3 in person Adult Games: 0 Patrina Dixon: 2(Zoom) Adult Book Club: 2

BHC Memoir writing : 6 live, 4 via Zoom

YOUTH SERVICES

Special Programs

-Silly Story Time (3 Adult/3 Children)

-Kids Henna (5 Children)

-Springtime Story Time/Cupcake Decorating (15 Adult/ 32 Child.)

-Passive Programming throughout school vacation week

Ongoing Programs

- Little Learners Story Time, Lego Club, tutoring (for teens). Attendance is good still growing.

Outreach

- KG: YMCA Healthy Kids Story Time (15 Adults, 29 Children)
- Erin (SCSU Intern) completed Bridgeport LMS survey results, giving the us insights into new ideas for partnering with the schools.

Collection & Displays

- Summer Reading titles reviewed and reordered if needed; Nutmeg 2024 books reviewed
- Display Themes: Spring, Easter, Passover, Ramadan, Humor Month, Poetry Month, Library Week.

Concerns

- Adults in Children's room; staffing issues, 3 PC's in Teen Room need replacing.

