GENERAL UPDATES

In June, upon recommendation by the Library Board, City Council voted to appoint Bill Humbert and reappoint Kristy Hoffman to serve on the Library Board for three-year terms beginning July 2019. The Library Board voted Sarah Hall into the position of Chair and Jess Griffiths into the position of Vice-Chair for FY20.

Also in June, City Council recognized Park City Library Executive Director, Adriane Herrick Juarez, and Park City Library Board Member, Margie Green Schloesser for awards given by the Utah Library Association (ULA). Ms. Herrick Juarez was given the 2019 ULA Distinguished Service Award. This award is given to a librarian whose career has positively impacted the profession, in particular her work on Library Leadership Podcast and her many roles in many professional library organizations. Ms. Schloesser was awarded the 2019 ULA Special Service to Libraries award given to a community member who has dedicated their unwavering spirit, financial investment, and/or personal time, in particular her work on the development of the photo tile wall in the Library.

June episodes of Library Leadership Podcast included, Utilizing Our Authentic Strengths to Improve Ourselves, Our Teams, and Our Organizations with Fatima Doman and The Value of Relationships in Advocacy with Lance Werner. https://libraryleadershippodcast.com/

ADULT SERVICES

The Library is now offering unlimited access to the digital version of the Salt Lake Tribune within the Library building. No card is needed. To use this, patrons must connect to the Library's wifi or utilize Library computers. This access is not available remotely or at patrons’ homes. This is a program offered to libraries across the state of Utah by the Salt Lake Tribune: https://parkcitylibrary.org/online-databases/ Kate Mapp, Adult Services Librarian, attended training at the Wasatch County Library about how to collect statistics and increase user access with the EBSCO databases provided by the Utah State Library. This training provided a tool that allows us, as an individual library, to access our own usage statistics. Ms. Mapp, in cooperation with Christine Roh, IT & Circulation Manager, will create individual links from the Library’s website for each of the EBSCO databases. This will make direct access for patrons easier with fewer clicks.

The Adult Services Department offered 20 programs and reached 338 people in June. The YouCreate Lab pulled in 0 people on the video recording equipment, 35 on the sound booth, 21 on the Ultimaker, 20 on the Lulzbot and 30 people checked out technology items in the display case.

IT & CIRCULATION SERVICES

Early in June, Christine Roh, IT & Circulation Manager, updated all of the public computers and fixed sound control issues. Ms. Roh and Adriane Herrick Juarez, Executive Director, met with David King from the company Bibliotheca to discuss sorter and self-check options. Mr. King showed video of Bibliotheca’s technology and took measurements and photos of the Circulation Room in order to provide a quote for a sorter. Ms. Roh completed the end-of-year spending process in the City’s financial software by processing FY19 invoices, running reports for librarians, and working with the City Finance Department to resolve any open issues from the fiscal year. She worked with Katrina Kmak, Youth and Spanish Services Manager, and with the City’s IT Department to replace the Youth Gaming monitor due to a crack that appeared on the screen; she was able to purchase a new monitor with City IT replacement funds. Thank you to Scott
Robertson and Brad Pennock, from the City IT Department, for helping get the monitor and to Homero Chavira and Braydon Crystal, from the City Building Maintenance Department, for hanging it. Ms. Roh and Ms. Kmak also replaced the four AWE computer stations from the City IT fund, as they were getting old and unreliable – they often froze and over-heated. The stations provide access for kids to STEAM skills, language learning, mathematics and other learning; they are touch screen and easy for children to use on their own or with parent supervision. Ms. Roh worked with the vendor TLC and the City IT Department to prepare for a TLC upgrade, completed on July 1; thank you to the Library staff who handled checking out and helping patrons without TLC software for a short time during the upgrade. We are looking forward to the new features this upgrade provides including: a web based cataloging module, an updated kids catalog, and an improved online patron registration process.

TECHNICAL SERVICES

Angela Arreche Dohanos, Technical Services Manager, worked with Ms. Herrick Juarez to review the staff schedule and part-time budget usage. A plan was made for streamlining the schedule based on need. Additionally, the Library Leadership Team looked at the Library’s service points and is creating a plan for the future to develop the most efficient arrangement possible. Ms. Arreche Dohanos worked with Ms. Roh on the TLC upgrade, including a new cataloging system. TLC reported that the Park City Library had the lowest number of record errors for any upgrade they have ever seen, only 3; they were impressed with the work that went into the ‘cleanliness’ of the records.

YOUTH & SPANISH SERVICES

The Library kicked off the summer reading program in June. Bianca Carrasco, Youth and Spanish Services Assistant, started the Plaza Comunitaria program and has had good community interest, with five students already enrolled. The program consists of three levels of progression which teach Spanish-speaking adults to read, write, and speak in their native tongue and to complete their primary and secondary education. Ms. Carrasco’s June activities included doing an interview on KPCW’s Spanish-language show called, Cada Domingo, as well as an outreach at McPolin Elementary for members of the school district, to talk about the Plaza Comunitaria program, in addition to all the other programs and services the Library is offering. The Youth and Spanish Services Department held the first of three “Summer Slide” programs; due to inclement weather, Ms. Herrick Juarez, Ms. Kmak, and Ms. Carrasco devised an inside island party for our patrons and moved the program to the Community Room that day. A variety of summer camps have been coming to the Library; we have provided movies for Wasatch Kids Camp, PC Marc, and Holy Cross Ministries. PC Eats came and provided a fruit craft for a Storytime in June, which the families loved. Ms. Kmak was on Leslie Thatcher’s morning show on KPCW to talk about our International Film Series in partnership with Park City Film. Mrs. Roh and Ms. Kmak used IT replacement funds to get new AWE stations in the Children’s Area. The department also streamlined our coloring page passive program; we have designed our very own coloring pages to feature the Park City Library’s logo and dates/times of all children’s programs. The coloring pages are now neatly contained in a large binder where kids can pick and choose their design, for example: a Baby and Me coloring page will have a baby design and will show the Baby and Me program dates and times.
COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

In June, Becca Lael, Community Engagement Manager, installed two art shows for the summer season featuring Cody Chamberlain and Len Starbeck. This exhibit will have an art reception, which is planned for July 19. Ms. Lael, in cooperation with Kate Mapp, Adult Services Manager, marketed one of Ms. Mapp’s events with all of the avenues at her disposal, including paid advertisements. When Ms. Mapp’s attendees were surveyed on how they heard about the event, the Park Record advertisement was the highest scoring answer, by far, with the runner up being the e-newsletter. As a result, more Park Record advertisements will be utilized for event marketing pending budgetary allowances. Ms. Lael has a new employee in her Community Engagement Department as part of the Park City Municipal Corporation Human Resources Neurodiversity Hiring Initiative. The employee has been answering gaming and printing questions, assisting with Library events such as the Next Chapter Book Club and Minecraft Club, shelving, labeling, and more. Ms. Lael began working with a Park City Girl Scout who has chosen the Library as her project to earn her Gold Award, the highest achievement within the Girl Scouts. Only 5.4% of eligible Girl Scouts earn the award. This Girl Scout’s project is filming and editing videos that can be used to promote the Library, events, and literacy. Ms. Lael, as part of the Utah Library Association’s Conference Committee Grant Chair, compiled a post-conference report for the awarded Uplift Grant.

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