

GENERAL UPDATES

The Library installed new browsing bins in the Children's Spanish Area to offer a versatile and engaging way for kids to browse books with the covers facing out. Community Library Enhancement Fund (CLEF) grant monies made the project possible.

The Library Study Rooms were repainted, and art pieces donated by the Park City Public Art Advisory Board were installed. The result is enhanced spaces that are welcoming and vibrant, making the work done in the rooms by the public more enjoyable.

In May, Library Leadership Podcast, hosted by Adriane Herrick Juarez, featured Renee Grassi discussing "Cultivating an Inclusive Workplace." All episodes can be accessed at <https://libraryleadershippodcast.com/> or on your preferred podcast platform.

CATALOGING & COLLECTIONS

May marked the completion of ordering all materials and books for the FY25 fiscal year. This significant undertaking ensured that Library collections remained fresh, relevant, and well-stocked to support upcoming programs, summer reading initiatives, and the diverse interests of all patrons.

Angela Dohanos, Assistant Director and Head of Cataloging & Collections, attended a two-day intensive training course on Crafted Leadership as part of Park City Municipal's leadership training initiative, which aims to improve communication and expand the skills of those in leadership roles.

In Adult Services, Rylee Broach, Adult Services Librarian, completed several training sessions, including the American Library Association's "Sharing is Caring: Maximizing the Impact of Your Library of Things", "Beyond the Pizza Party: A Panel Discussion on How to Maintain Staff Morale", and "Discover Literary Treasures: Exploring Gale Books and Authors". She is currently enrolled in the American Library Association's four-week eLearning course, "Fundamentals of Collection Development and Management", supported by a UPLIFT Professional Resource Grant from the Utah State Library.

In Spanish Services, Flor Santa Maria, Spanish Services Librarian, and Ms. Dohanos piloted a new outreach marketing method by distributing posters and flyers throughout the town. This grassroots approach aimed to reach community members who may not be digitally connected and to increase attendance and awareness of the Library's bilingual offerings. Ms. Santa Maria attended her first Utah Library Association Conference in St. George, where she networked with librarians statewide and gained new tools for strengthening Spanish Services. She also began attending the Equity Advancement Cohort "Reframing Racism" series, organized by the Community Foundation. This training is designed to equip participants with knowledge and resources to drive lasting, inclusive change.

EVENTS & PUBLICITY

In May, Dungeons and Dragons night was expanded to twice a month due to community demand. A do-it-yourself slime-making event was a success, with sixty attendees, demonstrating that the youth community enjoys creative STEM activities. The Local Speaker Series event in May featured Dalton Gackle and brought in 75 attendees. The Events and Publicity section successfully concluded the Saturday Event Initiative, exceeding its goal by engaging 2,729 participants (goal: 2,400).

In May, Youth Services programs included a "Twisted Fairy Tales" Puppet Show that captivated audiences and was a resounding success. The Library extends its sincere gratitude to Board Member Debbie Stafsholt for making this possible.

In collaboration with Park City Film, the Library hosted a Family Film Fest screening of Dog Man. Continuing the Library's commitment to financial literacy, a Penny Pinchers Party was thrown for youth attendees, made possible by the Thinking Money for Kids grant, which the Library received from the American Library Association (ALA) and the FINRA Investor Education Foundation. This event provided a fun and interactive way for children to learn essential concepts about money management.

In Spanish Services, the month's standout event was the Health Fair on May 17, which featured a successful vision clinic in partnership with Hope Alliance. Approximately 250 people attended the fair, engaging with various nonprofit organizations and community groups. Flor Santa Maria, Spanish Services Librarian, participated in a "Community Conversation about Mental Health" hosted by Summit Supports & the Mental Wellness Alliance. Latino Behavioral Health Services committed to continuing the Charlas en la Cocina (Conversations in the Kitchen) series—a culturally grounded mental health program—offering Library patrons a unique space to create community, discuss mental health, and connect through dialogue and food. Ms. Santa Maria offered information at the Christian Center of Park City's Mobile Food Pantry, where she connected with community members and began what promises to be a fruitful collaboration with the organizers of this crucial service.

In Adult Services, Rylee Broach, Adult Services Librarian, collaborated with the American Water Works Association to create a Water Week display in May, raising awareness about water conservation. She engaged approximately ninety seniors at the senior center, where she also provided seven technology tutoring appointments, and interacted with approximately eighty community members at the Park City Municipal Spring Open House. Ongoing programs included the Next Chapter Book Club, the Color & Connect Club, and the Mindfulness Meditation for Adults class led by Randi Jo from Mindful Summit County. Monthly programming highlights included a blood drive, a bi-monthly Intro to Guitar class, a monthly puzzle race, Tuesday Night Legal Bar, and a sound bath hosted by Norkova.

INFORMATION, TECHNOLOGY, & CIRCULATION SERVICES

Christine Roh, Head of Information, Technology & Circulation Services, attended City training sessions and worked with staff on integrating with a new financial system adopted by Park City Municipal Corporation for use by all City Departments to process invoices.

The Information, Technology, & Circulation Services Section installed a new book sorter on May 13. Administrative training was offered to managers and several staff from the IT Department. Additional training was provided to Library staff, and the equipment ran smoothly upon its inception. Twenty-five student cards were processed through the Park City School District online registration system, and the section proctored six exams.

Working with the City IT Department and the Utah Education and Technology Network (UETN), the Library replaced its public access web filter on May 19, a substantial upgrade that ensured the Library met internet protection standards to qualify for Federal and State grants.

TRAINING

Date	Topic	Participants	Total Contact Hours
May 2025	For UOPL: Discover Literary Treasures: Exploring Gale Books and Authors	Rylee Broach	1
May 2025	Peace House Training	Danielle Bean, Chris Roh	2
May 2025	"Beyond the Pizza Party": A Panel Discussion on how to Maintain Staff Morale	Rylee Broach	1
May 2025	Driver Safety, Harassment in the Workplace trainings	Rylee Broach, Katrina Kmak	1.45
May 2025	ERP continued training (Accounts Payable)	Anne Briscoe, Chris Roh	2
May 2025	Sharing is Caring: Maximizing the Impact of Your Library of Things	Rylee Broach	1
May 2025	Sorter training	Most staff	20
		Total	28.45