

"Cicada Art Swarms Woodridge Public Library," read a recent headline in the Woodridge Patch, summing up the busy and exciting month of May for patrons, volunteers, and staff. An informative virtual event on cicadas was attended live online by 71 Woodridge patrons and 200 people entered the cicada-coloring contest. Children's staff met with over 2300 students during their Summer Reading Tour of local schools, resulting in excellent pre-registration numbers (1,500 children are currently enrolled), and the Mother's Day Tea Party has become a beloved annual tradition.

The Library was the site of a six-week course helping vulnerable people avoid diabetes, part of our collaboration with the South Suburban Immigration Project non-profit and the DuPage Health Coalition. We assisted the Woodridge Rotary in printing certificates for an annual essay contest for local youth, and our May 1 Volunteer Lunch marked the first time since the pandemic that adult volunteers have gathered with the Staff that supervise their activities. We have received notice that our 2024 State of Illinois Per Capita grant for \$50,724.63 has been granted—an amount \$341.58 greater than we've received in recent years due to an increase in funding of 1 cent per person.

Library Programs and Services

Children's:

In-Person Programs

Spring Flower Dot Craft, 25
Stay & Play, 40
Stories in the Park (Dino's), 90
Disney Bingo, 2 sessions, 62
Mother's Day Tea Party, 2 sessions, 118
Baby Lapsit, 8 sessions, 79
Toddler Time, 18 sessions, 44
1000 Books Before Kindergarten Visits, 6
Scavenger Hunt (Magnificent Movies), 182
Mother's Day Tea Raffle, 55
Building Blocks for Tots, 4 packets, 400
Take & Make Crafts, 3 Projects, 550

Virtual Programs Past Views, 32

Summer Reading Program Video Views, 184

Adult:

In-Person Programs

Art Gallery: Jay Moore
Live Music: The Jersey Brothers, 111
Spring Bingo, 85
Craft & Sip: Create a Spring Wreath, 32
Introduction to Google Drive, 10
Introduction to Google Docs, 9
Library Book Discussion: "The Red Address Book" by Sofia Lundberg, 8
Senior Cards & Games, 2 sessions, 15
Puzzle Pack: 250
Adult & Teen Take & Make, 115

Virtual Programs

The Many Lives of Kal Pen (Illinois Libraries Present), 28
Cicadas - A Periodic Phenomenon (University of Illinois Extension Service), 71 (plus 93 YouTube views)

Tween/Teen:

Teen Volunteering, 7 (14 volunteer hours)
Teen Pizza & Service, 9 students, 13.5 hours

All Ages:

Cicada Coloring Contest and Display, 210

Community

Outreach:

District 68 Elementary School Visits, 6 schools, 2,324 students
DuPage Health Coalition: Diabetes Course (presented in Spanish at WPL), 4 sessions, 52
Virtual: Literacy DuPage ESL Conversation Group, 4 sessions, 20

Services:

E-Resources:
Media on Demand Total: 5,376
Ebooks: 2,513
E-Audiobooks: 1,734
Magazines: 1,129
ERead Illinois/Axis 360: 316
Ebooks: 147
E-Audiobooks: 169
HOOPLA: 1,292
Ebooks: 414
E-Audiobooks: 769
Videos: 69
Music: 40
Kanopy Videos: 224 Plays
BookFlix: 32
PressReader: 91 issues

Website Users: 9,394
Curbside Pickup: 22 pickups
Book Bundles for Children: 32 items
Interlibrary Loans Received: 2,967
3D Printer Jobs: 9
Reference Questions: 3,287 in Adult/Teen and 2,681 in Children's
Public PC Sessions: 1,435 in Adult/Teen and 231 in Children's
Study Rooms: 691 in Adult and 18 in Children's
Outreach/Homebound Visits: 7
Volunteer Hours: 77 for Adult
Museum Adventure Passes: 46
Aruba Wireless Total Sessions: 33,122

Displays:

Children's Services Department: Mother's Day; AAPI Heritage; Read to Grow; Woodridge Loves Pets; An Ocean of Possibilities; Star Wars; Shelf and Book Bundles; Teacher Packs; Grab and Go

Adult Services Department: mental Health Month; Ani-may & May-aga; #BookTok Books; Jewish American Heritage Month; Hello Summer (Teen Display); Have You Read a Good Movie Lately?

Staff Development and Training

Adult/Teen Services:

George Kalinka	SWAN Fireside Chat
Savannah Derrig	Mental Health in Library Settings Training Course
	Reaching Forward Conference, ILA
Dana Kraszczyński	SWAN DUEX Meeting
Chris Keefe	Unlocking Insights with Generative AI webinar
	Google Drive - YouTube and Udemy webinar
Denise Murray	Public Speaking as a Library Presenter
Gayle Szpytek	Reaching Forward Conference, ILA

Children's Services:

Megan Bauer	Youth Social-Emotional Learning
Elizabeth Burns	Booklist Webinar: Summer 2024 Preview with HarperCollins Children's Books

Carrie Erickson	Homeschooling & Series Nonfiction
Jenn Shunt	Middle Grade Graphic Novel Debuts
Mary Ann Steinhaus	The Power of Home Libraries: What Does the Research Show

Circulation Services:

Julie Lombardo	ATLAS Middle Managers Meeting SWAN Fireside Chat Volunteer Lunch
Ana Karun	Reaching Forward Conference, ILA ATLAS Middle Managers Meeting
Stephanie Larkins	Reaching Forward Conference, ILA
Dee Thurman	Reaching Forward Conference, ILA Volunteer Lunch

Technical Services:

Amy Weiss	LACONI TSS: Acquisition Round-up SWAN Acquisition & Catalogers Users Group ATLAS Middle Managers Round Table
Tess Forbes	LACONI TSS: Acquisition Round-up SWAN Acquisition & Catalogers Users Group

Administration:

Patti Naisbitt	State of the Village: Woodridge Volunteer Lunch
Laura Dygus	HR Source Peer Hub Library Roundtable HR Source New FLSA Rules How to Recognize and Repair a Toxic Work Environment HR Source – Upskilling
Deb Fowler	Volunteer Lunch
Matt Hennessy	SWAN Fireside Chat

Library Operations

Circulation for the month of May was 41,227, an increase of 4% from May 2023. Registered borrowers number 22,844, which is 66.9% of the jurisdictional population. People/Door Count for month: 13,922