# **Adult Services Librarian Report**

## **Programming**

#### **Identity Theft: Protect and Prevent**

Jeff Kersten from the Bureau of Consumer Protection stopped by to teach a class about identity theft. He used to be a police detective tracking down identity theft cases. Topics covered included what kind of information to give over the internet, safe credit card use online and in person, AI and voice emulation, and the safe use of social media. The attendees thoroughly enjoyed the class and look forward to Jeff's visits in the future. He will be back next month to teach a class on tenant and landlord laws.

#### **Tech 101**

The topics I chose for this month's technology classes were smartphone basics and smartphone icons. These classes were taught at the library, at the Thompson Center on Lourdes, and at St. Paul Elder Services. Smartphone basics covered the parts of a phone's home screen, common touch gestures, the notification bar, phone settings, sending a picture via text message, and more. Smartphone icons covered the most common icons that users are likely to encounter when using a smartphone. All classes included a cheat sheet for attendees to bring home for reference purposes.

#### Fox Cities Reads Book Discussion

Sarah Read lead, and I attended, a book discussion for Bird Box the Fox Cities 2023 Reads Book. The modest attendees had a great time discussing not only the plot of the book, but also how it relates to the horror genre and fiction writing generally. The discussion was held at Stone Arch Tied House in Little Chute.

### **Focus on Local History**

Gavin invited special guest Christine Williams, resident Lock Historian with Fox River navigational System Authority (Fox Locks) to share stories and history about the Fox Valley's locks system. This well attended event tied in nicely with the showing of the Power of the River documentary shown two weeks previously at the library.

## **Volunteers**

The library is happy to welcome Izzy as a volunteer at the library. She will be helping keep our pantry stocked, planting produce in our outdoor learning garden planters, running the hydroponic system in adult fiction, assisting with our summer feeding lunches, and other tasks!