

Adult Services Librarian Report

Programming

Taste of Central and South America

On Thursday, June 20th Yenny presented a PowerPoint presentation on the culture and history of the Dominican Republic. This was Yenny's first presentation for this program and she did a great job! She prepared a lengthy cultural PowerPoint on the country and made a ripe plantain casserole, Dominican mini shortbread, and fresh pineapple juice for the patrons!

Explore Our Trails Walking Club

Our Walking Club has wrapped up for this semester and Donna let me know that the group continues to meet on Wednesdays! She indicated that they liked exploring the different trail options around the city. We will likely bring the program back in fall as well.

Games

John has continued hosting board game nights, sheepshead, DND (large turnout this month!), and Bricks and Brews at TAQ. We have added two new game related programs in Summer. Scrabble Social and inclusive board gaming with games for those with intellectual and developmental disabilities. The program is a partnership between the library and Valley Packaging Industries (VPI). The first of both new sessions went very well with 4 people attending Scrabble Social and 12 attending inclusive board gaming. This month will be the last Bricks and Brews at TAQ since attendance has been low. We are exploring other programming ideas to replace it with for the fall semester. Gavin will continue to host his popular trivia nights there for the foreseeable future.

Technology Education

This month I taught Youtube 101 classes at the Thompson Center and the library. Patrons learned what Youtube is, how to find a video, how to start, pause, change the volume, and fullscreen a video, how the suggested video algorithm works, how content creators and Youtube itself makes money, what channels are, how to access video history and more. They asked great questions and were excited to learn that next month's topic is Podcasts 101.

One-on-one technology help also remains popular, with about 12 patrons helped each month. This month I helped patrons with setting up Google Maps and Android Auto, provided solutions for getting Playaways to play in their vehicle without a 3.5mm jack, helped a patron reset their password to regain access to their Chromebook, taught how to send group text messages, explained how to set bookmarks and shortcuts on mobile web browsers, and a *lot* more.

Continuing Education

I attended DPI's Workforce Development Collaboration Workshop on 5/24 at the Brown County Library. With the Menasha Job Center closing soon we recognize the importance of being versed in alternative resources available to our patrons who need workforce development assistance. The main takeaways from the workshop were a variety of resources I didn't know existed. These include marketing materials to help us advertise various jobcenterofwisconsin.com resources, Brown County Library's website which has a robust list of local resources (which they encouraged us all to use), and Forward Service Corporation's plethora of services. As time permits, I will update the library's website resources to reflect these options. I also networked with librarians from Green Bay and Appleton who I hadn't had a chance to talk to before and we exchanged information after talking about what we currently do to support our job seeking patrons.