

West Caldwell Public Library
Monthly Teen Services Report - March 2016
Hannah Sweetser, Teen Librarian



Program Analysis

This month, I led **7** programs for teens and shared **2** programs with the Reference Department. The total attendance of these programs amounted to **44** teens. The Teen Advisory Group grew in numbers thanks to connections with local school clubs. Our most successful multi-department program was NJ Makers' Day with an estimated 75 participants and 8 volunteers.

Outreach

The partnered JCHS and WCPL Book Club's numbers are on the rise. We will have the author of next month's book, *The Strange and Beautiful Sorrows of Ava Lavender* by Leslye Walton, Skype into our April session! On March 17th, Karen Kelly and I judged the 7th Grade Science Fair at Trinity Academy. Essex Valley School visited the library on March 23rd. Samantha McCoy and myself led the program; at the end of the program, I managed to secure interest in another visit concentrated on 3D virtual design. I contacted Caldwell University's club advisors about future partnerships with positive response.

Technology

This month, I created new graphics for our website and updated information on Movies, the Adult Book Club, the Youth Services Page, and the Teen Page. My next move will be to put our collective booklists online for the public to access. The blog has been updated with information on recent volunteering opportunities, programs, and book lists. We look forward to using the technology we received from PSEG in future teen programs. In April, I will teach the Tuesday Tech Time for Adults class. The Youth Services ConstantContact Monthly Newsletter has increased from **3** subscriptions to **32** subscriptions in the past month.

Young Adult Collection Maintenance and Displays

For displays, I created and shared an updated list of Mysteries for 6th Grade for Wayne Rush, the school librarian of GCMS. I have cycled through 7 different displays of various media and print materials for all ages in the New Materials section. The chalkboard wall has been painted and we looked forward to purchasing Chromebooks for the Teen Area.

Professional Development

This month, I presented workshops to over 120 librarians across the state as a member of the NJLA Summer Reading Committee and facilitated the group discussions after each session. My presentation concentrated on integrating Mental Health and Wellness programs into the summer reading theme for grade school to New Adult age groups. I was selected to be a BCCLS mentor to the new Hasbrouck Heights Teen Librarian, Elysse Fink, and met with her on March 31st. In April, I look forward to attending the ECPCL Meeting on April 15th and the BCCLS YSC Meeting on April 22nd. I have registered for the NJLA Conference in May.

Respectfully submitted by Hannah Sweetser, Teen Librarian, on April 6, 2016

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March	2016	2015	2014
Total Circulation	427	430	469
New Items	45	39	15