

### LIBRARY DIRECTOR REPORT OF ACTIVITIES TO THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

PERIOD: 01/17/2024 TO 02/14/2024



## **LIBRARY EVENTS & STAFF ACTIVITIES**

- 01/18, 01/25, 02/01, 02/08/2024 The library hosted the weekly "Yoga for Service" class for Seniors in the Bowcutt Room.
- 01/18/2024 Adult Services Librarian Dana Brosnahan conducted face-to-face book discussions for the Wasatch County Senior Book Club (10 AM) and the Library Book Club (6 PM).
- 01/19/2024, 02/02 The library hosted the regular meeting of the Heber Valley Arts Center committee.
- 01/18/2024 The library hosted a meeting of the Heber Valley Interfaith Council.
- 01/18/2024 The library hosted a meeting of the **Wasatch 4H Dog Project.**
- 01/19, 01/26, 02/02, 02/09 The library hosted the weekly meeting of the **Highschool Heroes Dungeons** & **Dragons Club**.
- 01/22/2024 The library hosted the regular monthly meeting of the Youth Wasatch Latino Coalition.
- 01/22, 01/29, 02/05, 02/12 The library hosted training meetings of the **Wasatch High School Science Olympiad Team**.
- 01/23/2024 The library hosted a **Red Cross Blood Drive**:
  - o Presenting Donors: 29
  - o Deferrals: 4
  - Number of Whole Blood Pints Collected: 22
  - Number of Power Red Donations Collected: 3
  - Number of Total Pints Collected: 28 Total Pints The donors at the library helped save up to 84 lives!
- 01/25/2024 The library hosted the regular monthly meeting of the **Heber Valley Self-Reliance Group**.
- 01/26/2024 The library hosted a Crossroads Community Conversation with volunteers who served as
  docents during the Smithsonian exhibition. This event served as a recognition to the volunteers and
  satisfied the requirement to hold a community conversation after the exhibition concluded.
- 01/27/2024 The library rented for the first time the Bowcutt Room for a **private function after hours**.
- 01/30/2024 The library hosted the meeting of the Wasatch Coin & History Club.
- 01/31/2024 The library hosted a special meeting of the **Wasatch Community Foundation**.
- 01/31/2024 The library hosted a small recognition for **Carol Nielson's retirement**.
- 02/01/2024 Assistant Director Angela Edwards facilitated the regular **library staff meeting** in my absence.
- 02/01/2024 The library hosted the regular monthly meeting of the Heber Valley Quilters.
- 02/01/2024, 02/02 The library hosted the class "Taxes in Retirement" conducted by 567 Workshops.
- 02/06/2024 The library hosted **Domestic & Sexual Abuse Mobile Case Management conducted by Peace House**. This program will be offered twice a month at the library.
- 02/07/2024 The library hosted the regular monthly meeting of the program "Charlas en la Cocina / Kitchen Conversations" organized and presented by Latino Behavioral Health Services.
- 02/14/2024 The library hosted an activity for the **Deer Creek Homeschoolers Coop**.
- 02/09/2024 The library hosted the Tween Scene Valentine's Party.



- 02/10/2024 The library hosted a class by the **Heber Valley Self-Reliance Group**.
- ONGOING PROGRAMS: Monday: Books & Babies, and Afterschool "Crafternoon" Programs & Lego Club.
   Tuesday: Preschool Storytimes, Homeschool Stories, Try Something Tuesdays, and Hora del Cuento.
   Wednesday: Preschool Storytime, After School Chess Club, and "Wasatch Wednesdays" publication on
   Facebook. Thursday: Minecraft Club. Fourth Friday: Family Movie Night.

## **OUTREACH ACTIVITIES**

- 01/22/2024 Children's Librarian Sherrie Mortensen and I attended the **Family Literacy Night at Daniel's Canyon Elementary School**.
- 01/30/2024 Adult Services Librarian Dana Brosnahan and I attended an online meeting with Becca Lael, librarian of the Park City Library and Monika Guendner, Community Engagement and Marketing Manager with Habitat for Humanity, Summit & Wasatch Counties to coordinate a display in the library focusing on Affordable Housing and the contribution of former US President Jimmy Carter and the first lady.
- 02/12/2024 I did not attend the Wellness Night at Wasatch High School.
- 02/13/2024 I attended the monthly meeting of the **Wasatch Latino Coalition** hosted at the library.
- ONGOING OUTREACH: Library staff member Sherrie Mortensen visited the Deer Mountain Apartments
  during the Summit County Bookmobile service to Hideout and to deliver snack packs to children
  provided by the Heber Food Bank (Thursdays) & library staff member Vicki Burtcher delivered library
  materials to homebound residents as part of the OASIS program (Mondays).

### **ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIVITIES**

- 01/19/2024 Assistant Director Angela Edwards and I facilitated the regular Library Board meeting.
- 01/23/2024 Assistant Director Angela Edwards and I met with Kathy Carr, an officer of the **Wasatch Community Foundation**, to brainstorm ideas for collaboration.
- 01/25/2024 I did not attend the virtual meeting of **Utah Public Library Directors** facilitated by the Utah State Library Division.
- 01/30/2024, 02/13/2024 I attended the Wasatch County Department Head meeting.
- 01/31/2024 Assistant Director Angela Edwards and I met with Tara Jarvie, Assistant Principal at Wasatch
  High School to discuss better communication between the library and the school addressing student
  behavior on library premises.
- 02/05/2024, 02/13/2024 Discussions with Park City, Summit County Libraries and Utah Humanities about joining the **Utah Humanities Book Festival in the Wasatch Back**:
  - Dolly's Bookstore, Park City, will host an author event on Tuesday, October 22, 2024.
  - Wasatch County Library, Heber City, will host an author event on Wednesday, October 23, 2024.
  - Summit County Library, Coalville, will host an author event on Thursday, October 24, 2024.
  - Park City Library, Park City, will host a series of activities on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday October 25-27, 2024.
- 02/13/2024 The library submitted the final report for the Crossroads exhibition to the Smithsonian Institution Traveling Exhibit Services and the Utah Humanities.



# **PICTURES OF LIBRARY USE**



Students working on a team project.

Teens focused on a kids' puzzle — Please note where the cell phone is!



Adult & Child enjoying a good read.

