

LIBRARY DIRECTOR REPORT OF ACTIVITIES TO THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

PERIOD: 10/20/2024 TO 11/14/2024

LIBRARY EVENTS & STAFF ACTIVITIES

- 10/21/2024 The library hosted the regular meeting of the **Wasatch Latino Youth Coalition**.
- 10/21/2024, 10/28, 11/4, The library hosted a weekly English language class in collaboration with the **English Language Program of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints**.
- 10/23/2024 **Library staff** attended from 10 AM to 3 PM a series of **webinars on Customer Service** while Angela Edwards and I staffed the service desk.
- 10/23/2024 The library hosted the class **“Harnessing Nutrition & Exercise for Lasting Weight Loss.”**
- 10/24/2024, 10/31, 11/7, 11/14 The library hosted the weekly **“Yoga for Service”** class for Seniors in the Bowcutt Room.
- 10/24/2024, 10/31, 11/7, 11/14 **Adult Services Librarian Dana Brosnahan** facilitated the weekly meeting of the **Next Chapter Book Club** in collaboration with **Chapters Ahead, Inc.**
- 10/24/2024 The library hosted a meeting of the **Mountainland Association of Governments (MAG) Executive Council**.
- 10/25/2024, 11/8 The library hosted a meeting of the **Heber Valley Arts Center Committee**.
- 10/25/2024, 11/01, 11/8 The library hosted the weekly meeting of the **Highschool Heroes Dungeons & Dragons Club**.
- 10/28/2024 The library hosted an **Ofrenda** curated and installed by **Latino Youth from Timpanogos Middle School**. The exhibit went from 10/28/2024 to 11/12/2024.
- 10/28/2024 **Young Adult Services librarian Brittnie Hecht** initiated the weekly intergenerational program **“Sages and Seekers.”**
- 10/29/2024 The library hosted the meeting of the **Wasatch Coin & History Club**.
- 10/30/2024 The library hosted the **Wasatch County Employee Game Night** after hours in the Bowcutt Room.
- 10/31/2024 The library hosted a **Tai Chi Class for Seniors** conducted by the Wasatch County Health Department.
- 10/31/2024 Library staff held a **retirement** lunch for **Children’s Librarian Sherrie Mortensen**.
- 11/01/2024 I facilitated the regular **library staff meeting**.
- 11/04/2024 The library hosted a meeting of the **Wasatch Back Rural Planning Organization (RPO)**
- 11/06/2024 The library hosted the monthly meeting of the program **“Charlas en la Cocina / Kitchen Conversations”** organized and presented by **Latino Behavioral Health Services**.
- 11/07/2024, 11/8 The library hosted all-day **National Fire Academy trainings** for firefighters in the region.
- 11/08/2024 The library hosted a children’s program **“Helping kids cope with Anxiety”** by author **Kristen Lloyd**.

- 11/11/2024 The library was **closed** in observance of **Veteran’s Day**.
- 11/13/2024 The library hosted a meeting of the **Shakespearean Book Club**.
- 11/14/2024, 11/15 The library hosted all-day **testing and interviews** for the position of Captains in the **Wasatch Fire District**.
- **ONGOING PUBLIC LIBRARY PROGRAMS:** Included Books & Babies, Monday Crafts, Lego Club, Try Something Tuesday, Hora del Cuento, Chess Club, Minecraft Club, and Family Movie Night.

OUTREACH ACTIVITIES

- 11/12/2024 The library hosted the regular meeting of the **Wasatch Latino Coalition**.
- Library staff member Vicki Burtcher and volunteers Michele and Nancy delivered library materials to homebound residents through the **OASIS program** (Mondays).

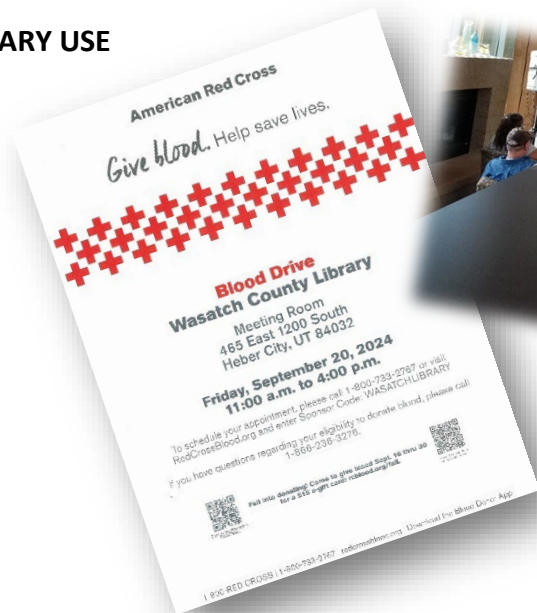
TRAINING & PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES

- 11/07/2024 I attended the webinar **“Succession planning made simple by Holly Jackson”** presented by the Utah State Library Division.

ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIVITIES

- 10/30/2024 Assistant Director Angela Edwards and I met with Joanna Salvador from the **Mountain Mediation Center** to explore collaborations opportunities.
- 10/31/2024 I submitted an **application** to receive the **2025 Community Library Enhancement Funds** from the State of Utah.
- 11/05/2024 I attended the **Wasatch County Department Head** meeting.
- 11/06/2024, 11/13 I attended the **Wasatch County Council** meeting.
- 11/06/2024 I attended the online meeting of the **Utah Public Library Directors**.

LIBRARY USE



November 5, 2024

Wasatch County Library
Heber, Utah 84032

Gentlemen:

I am writing to you to let you know how much I appreciate the outstanding service your staff has provided me. On occasion I would visit the library and found it difficult to walk and peruse the wonderful display of books you provide because I am on oxygen and have to carry a heavy oxygen tank with me which really prevents me from enjoying your beautiful library the way it's meant to be enjoyed.

Your employee I interacted with, Vicki Burtcher, who has vast knowledge of the library and the books you lend became genuinely interested in helping me find the kind of books I like and offered to bring them to me at my home. I was stunned by her offer and thrilled to find that she not only brings me books and takes back the ones that I finished reading but she could make suggestions of which books I might be interested in reading. Well, as it turns out, all her recommendations are just above and beyond my expectations. I love every title she brings. How I could ever read and return as many books as I need without her assistance is beyond me.

Because of Vicki's efforts, I am no longer depressed. Books keep me enthusiastic and alert. Her kindness and personal assistance should not go unnoticed. Your library has put together a great team of employees and I for one am forever grateful. I hope you can let them all know, especially, Ms. Burtcher, how much respect I now have for librarians and how valued they are.

With much appreciation for all you do. I am,

Yours truly,

