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MONTHLY REPORT

Outreach, Projects & Visits

- Terry Rabideau conducted storytimes and gave tours to one 1st-grade class from Mamaroneck Avenue School. She also performed storytimes to three preschool classes at Presbyterian Church.
- Bonnie Grant, Deb Gaffey, and Terry Rabideau, performed storytimes and gave tours to four 1st-grade classes from Church Street Elementary School.
- Deb Gaffey and Terry Rabideau hosted two Headstart classes and their parents with puppet shows celebrating mothers and a tour of the Trove. The visit was a collaborative event with the Junior League and Family Services of Westchester.

Programs

- Terry Rabideau celebrated Mother’s Day on May 13th with several families during her Happy Mother’s Day Family Storytime program. The families heard Mother’s Day stories, and enjoyed doing a craft together as well.
- Raquel Cavalcanti read, *Piggies in the Kitchen*, by Michelle Meadows at the Snack & Chat program on May 29th. After listening to the story, students talked about it; and enjoyed cake & juice.
- Deb Gaffey held another successful series of the Act It Out program on May 8th, 15th, & 22nd. The Trove's talented team of student actors rehearsed and performed two of Jon Scieszka's "fractured" fairy tales: "The True Story of the Three Little Pigs" and "The Frog Prince...Continued."
- Tata Cañuelas’ Bilingual storytime, Colors/Colores, held on May 16th, was very successful with 49 attendees coming to hear stories, make a color-wheel craft, and have a snack.

Staff

- Deb Gaffey attended the Youth Bureau's Youth Recognition Event on May 23rd at Post Road School. The event honored the elementary school's "Most Improved" 2nd grade readers, and the middle school and high school volunteers who help out in a variety of ways at the Youth Bureau and the Trove.
- Tata Cañuelas produced July Noticias (focusing on children’s programs) early this year, in order to for it to be sent out to all the White Plains schools to promote the Library’s Summer Reading events.
- The Early Childhood Center at Memorial United Methodist Church coordinated with Terry Rabideau and Raquel Cavalcanti to display a rainforest mural created by the 4-year-old class. The mural is up on the bulletin board in the Storytrove for all to enjoy.
- Bonnie Grant met with Man-ching, the Director of the Work Study program at Manhattanville College, on May 10th; finishing up another successful collaborative year.

AGENDA ITEM # 4

Students from the College tutor throughout the school year at the Library's Homework Help program.