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OUTREACH AND COLLABORATION

- Met with Fozia Kahn, Chair of the American Muslim Women's Association to plan a co-sponsored author program for spring, 2013.
- Represented the Library at the Re-entry panel at Westchester County Jail on October 17. Seven inmates attended. Attended open house at the new Microsoft store in the Westchester on October 26 to tour presentation facilities and learn about opportunities for "class" visits.
- Met with Jody Kennedy of Eastview School on October 3 in preparation for the October 10 site visit by the Shinnyo-en Foundation. Discussed partnership opportunities for a dj camp and dance at the Library.

PROGRAMMING

- The opening reception of the Pliskin exhibit was held on Sunday, October 14; 75 people attended. Ms. Pliskin conducted a demonstration of her painting on silk technique on October 24; 14 people attended. The exhibit will remain on view through November 16.
- A post event meeting for the Westchester Multicultural Children's Book Festival was conducted on October 17th. Next year's event is planned for September 21. It is estimated that more than 500 people attended the first annual event on October 13th.
- Booking completed on the New Year/New You program series for January 2013. The topics to be covered are smoking cessation, weight loss, stress management, and debt management.

TRAINING AND CONFERENCES

- Accepted an invitation to be a member of the planning committee of the New York Library Association's Youth Services Section conference for 2014. This conference will take place in Westchester County (location not yet confirmed).
- Attended the required training for civilians who work with inmates at the Westchester County Jail (e.g. the re-entry panel) on October 16th.

STAFF

- Worked with Adult Services and Circulation Staff to insure a smooth transition of supervision of the adult shelvers from Adult Services to the Circulation Department. This change will take effect on Monday, November 5.