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### Outreach, Projects & Visits

- ◆ Lots of classes and visits this month: Head Start put up a new art display every week and had the preschool students visit from most of the centers. The art work by the children was wonderful.
- ◆ Terry Rabideau, Raquel Cavalcanti and Deb Gaffey presented storytimes to 23 Head Start classes. Terry gave 9 additional classes to three other preschools.
- ◆ We continue to host the biweekly Socialization meetings of Head Start. Parents and babies who receive weekly home visits then come together twice a month here in The Trove for informational programs. We register everyone for library cards and give them a tour. The families become very comfortable here and do come in on their own.
- ◆ Tata arranged for an outside group to present a Cinco de Mayo program and they filled the gallery with art work in preparation.

### Programs

- ◆ We began the month with a visit from the Disney Live! characters Minnie and Mickey Mouse who offered photo-ops for the attending families, and ended with an evening family storytime in honor of El Dia de los ninos, el dia de los libros. Tata Canuelas and Raquel gave a storytime in English, Spanish and Portuguese.
- ◆ For Earth Day, a group from Westchester Community College did a great program on recycling, Rosemary Rasmussen presented a family storytime also on recycling with a recycled craft at the end, and Terry had the children make hats out of brown paper bags on a school vacation day.
- ◆ Westchester Pediatric Dentistry presented a program on dental health. Chompers the puppet was a big hit.
- ◆ We had 9 visits from dogs who wanted to be read to by children who were eager to help!
- ◆ 214 children officially took the storywalk of Molly, By Golly! Thanks to Terry.
- ◆ The Thomas the Tank Engine play table and the toys on Saturdays have been enticing many families to stay awhile in The Trove.

### Staff

- ◆ Terry continues to lead the YSS committee.
- ◆ The Trove staff met twice to work on summer preparations.
- ◆ Tata attended the Ann Izard award committee meeting, and Terry went to a WLS children's meeting.