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Administrative

- Attended the PLDA meeting on behalf of the Library at Historic Hudson Valley Headquarters.
- Attended weekly Construction meetings with Director Kenney on the Phase One renovation.
- Collected Collection Size Statistics for Director Kenney.
- Worked with Librarian De Luca on database, microfilm, and magazine questions.
- Created Trove weeding lists for Collection Management.
- Helped staff with entering events into the eVanced calendar.
- Attended first Youth Board meeting of the School Year at the WP Youth Bureau.

Staff Activities - *Thanks to librarians Elizabeth Hughes, Miriam Varian, Sharon Rothman, Mariel Perez, Nancy Kunz, Erik Carlson and Austin Duffy who contributed to this report as well as Digital Media Specialist Austin Olney.*

- Librarian Rothman was appointed Chairperson of Professional Development for the Westchester Library Association.
- Librarian Carlson attended White Plains Cares Coalition meeting where they planned for Red Ribbon Month in the City.
- Librarian Carlson and Digital Specialist Olney attended two meetings on technology in the Edge and working with Shinnyo-En and the White Plains public schools.
- Librarian Carlson and Digital Specialist Olney attended the World Maker Faire at the NY Hall of Science to learn about maker culture and how to integrate into programs for the Edge.
- Librarian Hughes attended a Friends of the Library Board meeting and worked on the Friends Newsletter.
- Librarian Varian attended the White Plains Historical Society monthly meeting.

Customer Service:

- 8 Conversation Groups had 70 students. Library staff noticed an influx of new Asian students to the Groups.
- Librarian Varian answered 21 Local History queries.

Community Outreach:

- Librarian Carlson visited 7 Sophomore and Freshmen Good Counsel Academy classes and spoke to over 180 students.
- Librarian Carlson presented at the High School PTA meeting.
- Librarian Carlson and Digital Specialist Olney delivered flyers to local schools and community organizations.
- Librarian Carlson went with Trove Staff Canuelas to Woodfield Cottage to assist them with their library.

Programs:

- Librarian Rothman hosted a SCORE program "Four Pillars of Business Wisdom".
- The popular Job Club started again in September.
- Julia and the Duke performance. 110 adults attended.

- Teen programs included: Smart \$ for Teens, College Planning 101, Minecraft Monthly Club and Babysitting Workshop.
- New Book Discussion Group “Page Turners” had their first meeting led by Librarian Hughes.
- Staff offered 12 computer classes this month. The drop-in computer help on Tuesday nights continues to be popular.
- Poetry Slam featured guest poet Venessa Marie Marco.