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OUTREACH AND COLLABORATION

- Represented the Library at the Youth Bureau Job Fair on June 2. Interviewed candidates for the Summer Youth Employment program for two positions in the Edge. Two teens were chosen to work as program assistants, 25 hours per week, July 1 through August 8.
- Represented the Library on a re-entry panel for inmates at the Westchester County Jail on June 11. Nine inmates attended.
- Attended the quarterly meeting of the Westchester Safer Communities Action Network on June 17 at the County Office of Social Services. Network members discussed programming for the school year. A representative from Westchester Jewish Community Services announced plans to offer a 2-day (8 hour total) Youth Mental Health First Aid Training course in October. This training is a nationally recognized certification course that teaches the unique risk factors and warning signs of mental health challenges common among adolescents, ages 12-18. It is recommended that the Edge staff participate in this training. Cost is \$75 per person.

PROGRAMMING AND EXHIBITS

- Worked with Systems staff to offer streaming of World Cup matches for the public in the Auditorium. Sessions were curtailed after the first week due to lack of staff available to monitor the program.
- The Paintings of John Folchi exhibit was set up on June 6. This exhibit will be on display through August 31.
- Arranged a group show of art teachers' work for the Spring, 2015.

VOLUNTEERS AND STAFF DEVELOPMENT

- Volunteer Steve Wood began his work in Collection Management on June 12. The next Volunteer orientation is scheduled for July 24 at 11am and again at 7pm.
- Represented the Library at a focus group sponsored by the Westchester Library System on June 18. The purpose of the event was to discuss staff development needs. A consensus among participants (Library Directors and Assistant Directors) was reached that training for the new Integrated Library System is a priority for the coming year.