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Administrative

- Attended Mayor's Youth Bureau Meeting
- Periodicals PT Clerk Keita Sakai resigned. He was offered full time employment with an accounting firm in NYC. Interviewed and hired Monica Sundriyal to fill his hours.
- Met with Hub Working Group to continue work on creating a Service Plan for Adult Services.

Staff Activities - *Thanks to librarians Sharon Rothman, Mariel Perez, Nancy Kunz, Erik Carlson, Kathlyn Carroll, Ben Himmelfarb and Austin Duffy who contributed to this report as well as Digital Media Specialist Austin Olney.*

- Staff attended 3M training for the new 3M Cloud Library to be launched on November 2nd.
- Media Specialist Olney presented "125 Great Ideas and Resources for Film" at the NYLA Annual Conference in Lake Placid.
- Media Specialist Olney and Librarians Carroll and Carlson attended Comic Con in NYC.
- Librarian Rothman attended the Foundation Center Network Days in NYC. The Library received a 30+ year award and Rothman received a 10+ year award of service as the Funding Information Supervisor.
- Librarian Carroll volunteered to help the Trove Battle of the Books team.
- Librarian Himmelfarb presented on a panel at the NYLA Conference "Local History for a New Generation".
- Librarian Himmelfarb's 1 year anniversary at WPPL was in October.
- Librarian Carlson hosted a meeting with the Global Ambassadors from WPHS.
- Librarian Carlson continues to work with Woodfield Cottage to improve their Library and collection.

Customer Service:

- Several tours were given by staff to the new ESL students.
- 4 Drop in computer help sessions were offered. Also, a 3D Printing class for adults.
- 14 patrons received 1-1 computer training.
- 14 Local History queries were answered this month.

Community Outreach:

- Librarians Himmelfarb and Perez interviewed Dennis Polanco, WPHS English Teacher, for the People and Stories Oral History Project. The project interviews are being posted to the website.
- Please see Librarian Perez's Outreach Report for more details.
- Media Specialist Olney met with a WPHS Librarian and a local Hair Stylist to discuss a future web design project.
- The digitization project with METRO for our Local History materials was successful and can be viewed at www.dcmny.org.

Programs:

- With more than 65 readers registered for our fall short-story series, librarian Barbara Wenglin launched the program with two lively discussions in October. Eighty+ patrons attended to explore and compare stories from the acclaimed collection used last spring, *The Scribner Anthology of Contemporary Short Fiction*, with WP Library copies circulating well. The series is supported by the Friends of the Library, and newcomers are always welcome!
- Spanish Conversation classes.
- Women's Enterprise Development Center [WEDC] held a month long Entrepreneurial Training Program in Spanish.
- Jay and His Spanish Guitar performed for Hispanic Heritage month.
- Life Coach program: No More Excuses! In Spanish.
- Business programs hosted by Librarian Rothman included: Job Club; Managing Your Online Reputation; SBA Workshop: Copyrights & Patents; WEDC Program: Personal Finances.
- Poetry Slam & Open Mic with guest poet Thomas Fucaloro.
- WP History RoundTable with Professor Reinhard from Purchase College.
- Please see the Edge Report for a listing of Teen Programs this month.