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Administrative

- Two construction meetings for the Library renovation.
- Created several collections list: Trove Turnover rates for the last 3 years. Also, items listed as New Books that are Year Published date 2015 and older. These are all attempts to clean up the catalog and freshen the collection.
- President of the Library Foundation Tabakman and I were guests on the Public Access TV show “This Blooming City”. We were interviewed about the Library renovation and the connection between Beautification and the Library. It was a great experience. The episode will be aired some time in January. No specific date yet.
- Completed transition of Edge duties to Manager of Youth Services Carlson.
- Attended Mayor’s Youth Board meeting and will be reappointed for another term in January.

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

- Librarian Himmelfarb is part of the NYLA Everyday Advocacy Task Force and will be doing a presentation at NYLA 2017. Himmelfarb also established the NYLA Local History Roundtable and is their current President. He also represents the Library on the YWCA Alliance for Change. He has been assigned to the book club program committee.
- Librarian Duffy viewed a webinar on the computation knowledge engine Wolfram Alpha. He also attended the safety training course conducted by the City of White Plains.

Customer Service:

- Media Specialist Olney had a 3D Printing Appointment with a patron.
- Computer classes included an Introduction to Coding: Java 101 for adults.
- Offered 13 1-1 technology training sessions, mostly for e-book help.
- Answered 14 Local History queries, mostly via email.
- Staff led 6 English Conversation Groups including a Holiday Party for attendees.
- Librarian Himmelfarb collaborated with Trove staff to help promote their time capsule project, an initiative thru the Mayor’s Office.

Community Outreach:

- 399 families were served at this month's Food Pantry on the Library Plaza.
- Librarian Himmelfarb did Fake News presentations at the YWCA GEMS program where he discussed bias in news sources, how to read past headlines, and discussion strategies.
- Librarian Duffy coordinated 3 Homebound deliveries.
- Please see the Community Outreach report for more details on Outreach.

Programs:

- Latino U ran two programs: FAFSA Bootcamp and Paying for College.
- Spanish for Beginners class completed their fall session.
- Spanish Literacy classes every week in the Trove.
- Poetry Slam and Open Mic featuring guest poet Bryan Roessel.
- Short story discussion series led by Librarian Wenglin discussed work by William Trevor and Gabriel Garcia Marquez.