Director's Report to the Board of Agents Silas Bronson Library

February 15, 2022 Raechel Guest, Director

Staffing Levels

We finished interviewing the Librarian 2 candidates. The best two candidates were Lance Gaston and Kyle Garcia, who are currently Admins at the library. While their promotion to Librarian 2 does not help with our staffing levels, we are very fortunate to have them as librarians. Lance will be assigned to Adult Information Services. Kyle will be assigned to Youth Services specializing in Teen Librarianship.

We have been approved to fill the third Librarian 2 position, but we do not have enough applicants. The job will need to be posted again.

With two of our Admin 1s being promoted, we now have three Admin 1 vacancies to fill when the list comes back to us.

The Librarian IV opening has closed. I am recruiting a panel of four library directors to conduct oral examinations of the candidates.

Due to multiple employee surgeries scheduled in February, and the maternity leave of the head of Tech Services, there will be a delay of about two weeks in processing new books, as there will be no employees available to do that work.

Circulation Division

January Statistical Reports: Main Library

Total Collection Size: 263,703

Total Items Added to Collection: 644
Total Physical Items Circulated: 7,144

Total Circulation In-House: 157

Total Circulated at Other Libraries: 1,290 Total Circulated from Other Libraries: 306

Total Active Patrons: 42,713

Total Expired Patrons: 14
Total Patrons Added: 72

January Statistical Reports: Bunker Hill

Total Collection Size: 11,284

Total Items Added to Collection: 26 Total Physical Items Circulated: 407

Total Circulation In-House: 0

Total Circulated at Other Libraries: 69
Total Circulated from Other Libraries: 224

Total Active Patrons: 1,372

Total Expired Patrons: 0

Total Patrons Added: 2

OverDrive Circulation: January

Audiobooks: 416 Adult: 774

Ebooks: 541 Teen/YA: 88

Total Checkouts: 957 Children: 95

Museum Pass Use – January

Pass	Pass Type	Number Reserved	Checked Out	No Shows
EverWonder Children's Museum	Print from Home	1	1	0
Mattatuck Museum Art and History Center	Print from Home	3	3	0

Online Presence

Facebook Followers as of 2/11/2022: 2,642

Facebook Reach January 14 – February 10: 4,744 Facebook Post Engagements January 14 – February 10: 518

Instagram Followers as of 2/11/2022: 984
Bronson Teens Instagram Followers as of 2/11/2022: 306
Twitter Followers as of 2/11/2022: 469

Wowbrary Active Subscriptions as of 1/20/2022: 94
Wowbrary Customized Newsletters as of 1/20/2022: 7

Wowbrary Webpages Viewed January 1 – January 31: 860 Wowbrary Clickthroughs to Catalog January 1 – January 31: 139

Website Visitors January 1 – January 31: 1,926 Website Sessions January 1 – January 31: 2,910 Website Pageviews January 1 – January 31: 5,531

Most Visited Website Pages (January 1 – January 31):

Home Page: 2,507 eBooks: 89 Home Delivery: 31

Genealogy/Local Hist.: 355 Bunker Hill Branch: 81 Hall of Fame: 23

Programs: 268 Borrowing Questions: 66 Friends: 18

How to Find Books: 205 Computer Classes: 66 Geekdom: 15

Ask A Librarian: 171 Board of Agents: 55 Directions: 15

Program Registration: 162 Teen/YA: 51 Credit Cards: 13

Research: 152 Museum Passes: 51 Business Resources: 8

Children's Division: 148 Newsletters: 48 Book a Librarian: 7

About Us: 147 Library History: 42 GovDocs: 6

Digital: 120 New Movies: 38

How to Get a Card: 104 Book Sale: 35