**Deputy Director’s Report**

**BCSLD Board Meeting, 8.9.22**

* **July Statistics**: I complied and posted the July statistical reports to the shared drive. They are in the “2022-2023 Board Reports” folder. Please let me know if you have any questions.
* **Traveling Exhibition**: Reminder—from April 16, 2023 through May 20, 2023, The Bob Bullock Texas State History Museum’s traveling exhibition, *Not Alone*, will be at the Library in the Large Conference Room, free and open to the public.
* **Book Displays**: July/current book displays include: “Musically Inclined,” “Summertime,” and “Outdoor Type.”
* **Deputy Director’s Additional Collection Development:**  For fiscal year 2022-2023, the Board approved a budget of $6,000 for the Deputy Director to purchase books for the Library’s collection. I have added 10 books and spent $207.40.
* **Summer Reading Program Update:** The Summer Reading Program officially closes at midnight on August 9. As of August 6, we have 70 participants registered in ReaderZone (19 adults, 36 children, 8 pre-K, and 7 teens). Child and Pre-K participants have read a total of 23,795 minutes, while Adult and Teen participants have read a total of 54,730 pages. We held our last SRP Movie Day on 8/5 and our last Crafturday on 8/6. Throughout the SRP, I emailed the “Blanco County News” updates to our community calendar to reflect the weekly movies. The SRP line up for in-person programs was: Storytime (Thursdays, 10:30 to 11:30), SRP Movie Day (Fridays at 3:00), Crafturday (Saturdays, 10:30 to 11:30). Carol Winscott hosted Crafturday primarily with Becky Macaluso. Throughout the SRP we promoted the Summer Reading Program and SRP programming through the library website, our Facebook page, the “Blanco County News,” flyers, and word of mouth. This week, I will report to Elizabeth Hoff, the Blanco ISD school librarian, the names of Blanco Elementary students who completed our SRP so that they can have their names mentioned on the morning announcements, receive treasure tower coins, and get to pick a free book from their library. On Wednesday I will begin emailing participants who completed the ReaderZone portion of SRP to coordinate their prizes. This process usually takes a few weeks, but I will produce a final budget once all the prizes are awarded.
* **Storytime:** Storytime will continue this summer through August 25 and will take a two-week hiatus in September before resuming on September 15. Carol Winscott and I will continue to hold Storytime each Thursday from 10:30 to 11:30 through the fall.
* **Crafturday:** I spoke with Carol and Becky about continuing to offer a children’s crafting program once a month, and they have agreed to offer a special children’s program once a month for October (10/15), November (11/12), and December (12/10). I have booked the large conference room for these days from 10:00 to 12:00 and will promote these programs in advance of the dates to boost attendance.
* **Blanco Youth Soccer Association Sponsorship:** We gave Kristi Rice the check for the $200.00 sponsorship. I emailed her the library graphic along with a PDF that includes the graphic with the library’s name. She will let me know if the graphics company has any questions. The shirts should be printed in August. Kristi will share with us the final printed jersey with our logo once they are ready. Depending on the number of sponsors, our logo may appear on a shirt with other sponsors.
* **Film Screening Opportunity:** (Pending: I still need to view the film) The owner of the Swiss Lodge, Rick Garza, was involved in the production of a recent film (he is also an actor in it). He has given me an access code to screen the film through Vimeo; if the film is approved, we could screen it at the library this summer, and he would be available to talk about the film either before or after the screening. The film is called *Adventures in Game Chasing* and is related to a television series called *The Game Chasers*.
* **Juvenile and Youth Stacks:** Books have been shifted.