



PAOLI LIBRARY

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April 2019 Branch Manager's Report

March Statistics

March program attendance at Paoli increased by 53.28% over March of last year. The door count was 6.82% higher, and circulation held steady.

Fundraising

The Annual Appeal total for last month was incorrect, due to an error in the database report that double-counted some Foundation contributions. The news is still good, but not as impressive as we previously thought. This month Rachel Shuman is running the reports for both libraries, so they should be consistent.

Facilities

The Protection Bureau conducted their annual inspection of the alarm system on April 4. They returned the following week to replace all the smoke detectors, since the model here was subject to a recall.

Tech Assistance Program

Jenny, Stephanie, and I have been taking over the tech assistance sessions while Taylor Baugher is out on family leave. All sessions are booked through mid-May.

Personnel

Initially we had no outstanding candidates for our weekend shelver job, so we reopened the search and have now hired Elyssa Mulcahy. Elyssa has an MLS degree from Drexel, and has experience working in academic libraries. We are also hiring a college student, Tanvi Baghele, to cover open shifts during the summer, including shifts normally covered by Jeanene Willcox, who will be off for the summer recovering from knee replacement surgery.

Friends of Paoli Library

The Friends' spring book sale starts today, Thursday, April 25 and runs through Saturday, April 27. The sale is taking place in the bank hallway, and will be well-stocked, especially given the rush of recent donations.

Incident Report

On Wednesday, April 10 at 6:30, staff called 911 to assist an elderly patron who became dizzy and collapsed, and initially was unable to stand on her own. Police and ambulance responded, but she declined to go to the hospital. (She explained to EMS that she has high blood pressure.)

Children's Programs

Stephanie had to add extra sessions of two special children's programs this past month, Volcano Day (for elementary school children) and an Escape Room (for teens). For Paoli children's programs in general, attendance is great and enthusiasm is high!

Beverly Michaels, Branch Manager
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