

## **DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

**MARCH 2024**

### **Personnel**

The library has hired Lukas Ruschak to be part-time Circulation Clerk. Lukas is Michael Ruschak's brother who currently works in our Teen Room. Lukas is a history buff who enjoys reading historical fiction and books about historical events.

The Library is currently recruiting for a part-time Business Manager Assistant.

The Inclusion and Belonging Survey that was designed by Dr. Kawanna Bright and conducted in October is complete. We've asked for Dr. Bright to present her findings to staff and the Board in June.

### **Outreach**

Nanor Pogosian has coordinated with the Nyack Union Free School District's Outreach Coordinator, Yesenia Polanco, to improve outreach to Nyack families in the School District.

The Library has updated card applications in Spanish so new registrants are now asked to sign up for our Spanish Language Newsletter to be mailed directly. We are still working on the logistics for this, our goal to build a database of Spanish speaking homes to market the Library in Spanish by mail directly. The applications in French and Creole have been updated. I'd like to thank Maritza de la Vega and Marlie Gelu for their translation work.

Library applications have been sent to the school and will be included for new registrants this summer.

The Library has created an *Annual Report to the Community* brochure. A summation of 2023 based on the data from the Annual Report. This is a requirement by New York State and needs to be Board approved. See your packets for a copy of the brochure.

### **Programs**

The Library has added a pre-school playgroup in Spanish and English. The program will be Tuesdays 11-12 and include bilingual stories, songs, and crafts. The first group will meet on 4/30.

### **Technology**

We have started to promote Nyack Library patron access to the new RCLS-Go mobile app. The app still has some bugs, notably with the iOS version filter search function and the fines page but they are being worked on and we hope these issues will be resolved soon.

### **Collections**

Library staff has been working on a full item inventory. The teen section is 100% complete, the adult section is 94% complete, and the children's collection is 75% complete. We are on target to have the Library collection fully inventoried prior to the migration to the new ILS.

**Facilities**

The Library lost access to water on March 14 at around 2:30 pm. As a result, the Library was forced to close early.