

TLN Outreach Services Meeting

Wednesday, April 21st 2021

10:00 A.M. – 12:00 P.M.

Virtual Meeting

Time: Apr 21, 2021 10:00 AM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

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Attendees:

Lynn Riehl, Hamburg Township Library | TLN Outreach Services Chair

Vickie Weyand, Brighton District Library | TLN Outreach Services Chair-Elect

Brigette Felix, The Library Network

David Stokes, Milford Public Library

Kristy Case, Livonia Public Library

Karen Wiedman, Rochester Hills Public Library

Sarah Leonard, Walled Lake City Library

Ashley Moran, Commerce Township Library

Jane Haigh, Madison Heights Public Library

10:00 A.M. - 10:30 A.M.

Call to Order

Introductions

Approval of minutes from Jan 20, 2021

First: David Stokes

Second: Karen Weidman

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Outreach Service Roundtable Continued discussion of Outreach during COVID with vaccines now in the picture

Kristy Case, Lavonia Public Library: an outreach services newbie to our group...welcome!

Adult Take & Makes every other month with videos online – homebound patrons plan in the works – have Little Free library – virtual programs have some good attendance, other not so much – Adult Book Bundles, patrons send list of what they like and librarians pick 3 books for them to pick up and they have them for kids and teen as well – Positive Pages Virtual Book Club – Monthly Take & Makes for teen along with a reading challenge – they plan on outside programming for summer as of now – H.P. Quidditch trivia for teens – outdoor storytimes for children – delivery of books to patron's porch – storytime to go kits – online storytimes – storytimes in local areas around town

Ashley Moran, Commerce Township Library: Seeing in-person patrons – have a drive up window as well – Grab & Go kits for adults are new – have a form to request book to be picked for them – book club for kids – younger children storytimes using the choose your own adventure books utilizing Overdrive titles as well, librarian reads and the children pick which path to take – offer storytimes in person for preschools or on Zoom – adult outreach has a new person who works with the senior centers – Take & Makes are registered people, if it not picked

up it will be free for the taking to anyone the next day – early reader kits with free book – Harry Potter kits – fairy garden kits – felt succulent kits

Beth Sheridan, Orion Township Library: Scavenger hunt in Little Library in a Box – curbside most of the year but now open and was all virtual programs – now having outside programs with some virtual with a wait and see situation for later – monthly program Take & Make drop off at senior center, maybe outside in person on summer – delivery to homebound – limited hours for curbside – books by mail – re-evaluate later with not MelCat books by mail – boredom buster kits – Healthy Research Project – Active Grant for Book Bike with battery powered assist – lunch recess visits to promote summer reading for elementary schools – Pen Pal program between seniors and students – Kayak book club – virtual STEAM online projects – volunteers adopt a Little Library in a Box to maintain

David Stokes, Milford Public Library: Library in stage 5 with some computers and curbside – browse for 30 minutes, masks and social distancing - no study rooms or seating – mailing BookPage – not sure what fall will bring, adult programs open or not will still have virtual if need be – senior apartments had no in-person programming as of now – have been contacting the nursing homes to see what he can do for them

Vickie Weyand, Brighton District Library: Open with 50% capacity with limits on number in each room like youth space is 25 people maximum - 30 minute grab and go – curbside pickup – 1 computer, 20 minute max for printing & checking email – programming still virtual – bought a big tent for outside programming for summer – YOUTH - garden scavenger hunt “in-person” – sidewalk chalk obstacle course – storytimes with take home kits like storytime science, puppy power and April showers bring may flowers – DIY Baby storytime – Breathe like a bunny mindfulness for 0-5 – Family Fun Day with fun bag pick up and virtual concert by the Music Lady sponsored by BDL, LESA and the Early Literacy Collaborative – continued Alphabet Soup and Flannel Fridays – many Take & Makes – Mother Daughter Book Club – TEEN – art club, Take & Makes, Paint Along programs, Art Club, Instagram with recipes, book quotes, reviews, quizzes, etc., virtual book club – ADULTS – virtual programs: Social Security Optimization and Taxes in Retirement, Yooper Talk, 3 genealogy programs, 5 part series on Women in the American Revolution, Livingston Reads program: Bite of History, Pasties, Author Kim Michele Richardson, Bourbon Adventure, Jason Vance on the scrapbooks of the backpack librarians – 2 virtual book clubs

Sarah Leonard, Walled Lake City Library: Open last July – very small library – Grab & Go – limited time on computers with plexiglass between them – no computers in youth – curiosity kits with only items that can be cleaned, no toys – at Farmer’s Market last summer and this summer – book clubs in person at parks – walking group meet at parks and walk together – Adult kits – Spice Kits, you get different spices (used to be in person) to make a dish and come in to share how the dish turned out – kids and teen program outside like water fights and Michigan Quest for teens, animal theme scavenger all online – free libraries at parks and beach – craft kits for adult, teen and youth – no summer care programs – crafts at market, 4 a month – storytimes at park by Jennifer Strause and on lawn

Karen Weidman, Rochester Hills Public Library: Take & Makes in each department but not outreach – storywalk without Braille – Talking books person to be hired – Book

Bike to be used this summer – Utilizing walk up bookmobile – blue bus goes to preschools/daycares – ESL virtual book groups – Redrawn Homebound guidelines – have 15 Books-by-Mail patrons – Library brochures going out with Meals on Wheels – free little libraries in city parks that local residents built and maintain

Lynn Riehl, Hamburg Township Library: closed with positive COVID cases in library staff for a couple weeks – back open now with curbside too – 10-minute limit inside – computers 30-minute limit – adult craft – children kits – travel log programs – gardening programs virtual outreach limited – have homebound deliveries – trying to connect with new assisted living facility

Jane Haigh, Madison Heights Public Library: No Response

Next meeting:
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