# AGENDA SHOREWOOD-TROY PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES

650 Deerwood Dr, Shorewood, IL 60404 Meeting Room A

> March 14, 2024 General Meeting 7:00 pm.

- 1. Welcome
- 2. Call to order and roll call of Trustees
- 3. Changes/Additions to Agenda
- 4. Approval of Minutes
  - a. February 8, 2024
- 5. Comments from the Public

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ARE INVITED TO SPEAK TO THE BOARD. COMMENTS ARE TO BE LIMITED TO THREE MINUTES OR LESS. DUE TO OPEN MEETINGS ACT RESTRICTIONS, ACTIONS MAY NOT BE TAKEN ON ITEMS NOT ALREADY ON THE AGENDA, BUT ACTION MAY BE DEFERRED TO A LATER BOARD MEETING.

- 6. Treasurer's Report February 2024
- 7. Approval and Payment of Bills
- 8. Librarian's Report
  - a. Director's Report with personnel- Jennie Cisna Mills
  - b. Department Heads
- 9. Old Business
  - a. Parking Lot Update (Discussion)
- 10. New Business
  - a. Strategic Plan Date for Board of Trustees (Action)
  - b. Authorize the Director to close the Library for half-day for Staff to meet with Strategic Planner (Action)
- 11. Correspondence
- 12. Other Business
  - a. Agenda Building for the April Meeting
  - b. Announcements
- 13. Adjournment

Any individual requiring special accommodations as specified by the Americans with Disabilities Act is requested to notify the Shorewood-Troy Public Library District Director at 815-725-1715 at least 24 hours before the meeting date.

For further information regarding this meeting agenda, please contact:

Jennie Cisna Mills, Director

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# SHOREWOOD-TROY PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT BOARD MEETING February 8, 2024

The regular meeting of the Shorewood-Troy Public Library Board of Trustees was called to order by the President, Thomas Novinski, at 7:00 p.m. on February 8, 2024. The meeting took place in Meeting Room A of the Library located at 650 Deerwood Dr., Shorewood, IL 60404.

#### ROLL CALL:

#### TRUSTEES PRESENT:

Karen Voitik
 Vito Schultz
 Arthetta Reeder
 Tom Novinski

5. Krysten McGee

ABSENT: Tracy Caswell, Bob Stahl

STAFF PRESENT: Jennie Mills, Director

Cindy Norman, Finance Clerk

**VISITORS PRESENT:** 

CHANGES/ADDITIONS TO AGENDA: None

#### APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Vice President Schultz moved that the minutes of the regular meeting on January 11, 2024, be approved. Secretary Voitik seconded the motion, which passed with all members present voting "Yes."

#### COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC: None

### TREASURER'S REPORT:

Cash on Hand Beginning of January 2024	\$ 934,728.19
Cash received during January 2024	46,926.72
Disbursements January 2024	(136,361.22)
Cash on Hand End of January 2024	\$ 845,293.69

#### Location and Denomination of Cash

Petty Cash	\$ 300.00
General Fund Checking – Chase	(15,977.70)
Money Market Fund – Chase	71,487.25
Money Market Fund – Old Plank Trail x6183	364,608.67
Payroll Account – Chase	8,038.64
License Plates – Chase	1,564.81
Money Market – Old Plank Trail x9335	23,242.34
Money Market – Old Plank Trail x9981	287,068.82
PMA Financial CD80197	104,960.86
TOTAL	\$ 845,293.69

#### APPROVAL AND PAYMENT OF BILLS:

Vice President Schultz moved that the bills presented for payment be approved. Secretary Voitik seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken, and the motion passed with all Trustees present voting "Yes."

#### LIBRARIAN'S REPORT:

- a. Director's Report with personnel Jennie Cisna Mills
  Director Mills informed the Board that the roof leak was caused by extra holes that the
  roofers could not see previously due to earlier heavy snow. The holes were repaired, and
  only about 15 additional books were damaged. The roofing company will check the roof
  again in the Spring.
  - -Track lighting in the Children's Department was repaired, and a new light in the back storage room was installed.
- b. Department Heads

#### **OLD BUSINESS:**

a. Vice President Schultz motioned, and Secretary Voitik seconded, to approve the Social Media Policy. The motion passed, with all Trustees present voting "Yes."

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

- a. Vice President Schultz motioned, and Trustee Reeder seconded, to approve the revised parking lot design for submission to the Village of Shorewood Planning and Zoning Committee. A roll call was taken, and the motion passed with all Trustees present voting "Yes."
- b. Vice President Schultz motioned, and Trustee Reeder seconded, to approve the Memorandum of Understanding with Will County Workforce to have a kiosk located in the library. A roll call was taken, and the motion passed with all Trustees voting "Yes."
- c. The Board is going to move the Strategic Planning Meetings to a date in April or May due to the Strategic Planner's unavailability. Director Mills will send out a Doodle Poll to see what dates work best for everyone.

CORRESPONDENCE: The board reviewed all correspondence.

OTHER BUSINESS: None

Trustee Vito Schultz motioned, and Secretary Karen Voitik seconded, that the meeting be adjourned at 7:44 p.m., with all members present voting yes.

Respectfully submitted, Cindy Norman, Finance Clerk

#### Director's Report/March 14, 2024

#### **Administrative Duties:**

- I completed the Worker's Compensation Audit for our Worker's Comp insurance with Cindy's assistance.
- LIRA is providing a new building appraisal of our appraisal as part of an add-on of our insurance this year. This is not being charged to the membership; it is part of the package LIRA provides this year. I was present for the appraiser. The updated appraisal had not arrived when I was writing this report, but I will forward it to the Board once it arrives.

#### **Building:**

- The Building Committee met on March 7<sup>th</sup> to approve a quote from Ethos Architecture for a total of **\$6,600.00**, based on the revised architecture plan approved by the Board on February 8<sup>th</sup>. This covers:
  - Plat map (required by the Village)
  - Civil engineering (\$2900)
  - Electrical Engineering (\$500)
  - Landscape design (\$1200)
  - o Architectural design (\$1200)

#### **Circulation:**

- Physical circulation did very well this month. It increased 20% over February 2023 (11,970 v. 9,948), but it also did very well compared to February 2022 (11,970 v. 10,495), a 14% increase.
- Digital circulation also showed a sharp increase, a 31% increase from February 2023 (4,155 v. 3, 150) and a 70% increase when you compare February 2024 with February 2022 (4,155 v. 2,435).

#### **Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund (IMRF) Training:**

IMRF has been trying to go live with its new employer interface for about a year now, perhaps
two. They are hopeful that it is ready for a go-live launch now. I attended training at the end of
February. The employer interface is where authorized agents track their IMRF-eligible
employees, submit wage reports, and report IMRF events (such as retirements, leaves of
absence, etc.).

#### Staffing:

- Rose Nowak, formerly the Head of Patron Services at the Morris Area Public Library, is our new Head of Adult & Teen Services. We are very excited to have her here. She started on February 26<sup>th</sup>.
- Sarah Haish, our former Adult Outreach Coordinator, has completed her transfer to the Children's Outreach Coordinator position and is doing a fantastic job of getting settled in her new role. The role of Adult Outreach Coordinator has been posted.

• Cristina Soto is no longer with the Library. Lori Freeman, the Head of Children's Services, ultimately decided to reconfigure that position within the Children's Department. Two 19-hour Children's Department positions have been posted.

### **Meetings:**

- Department Head Meeting, Internal (2/14)
- Pinnacle Governing Board, External (2/16)
- Building Appraisal Appointment, External (2/21)
- IMRF Authorized Agent Training, External (2/22)
- Pinnacle Budget Meeting, External (2/29)

# Technical Services Department Head Report February 2024

### February meetings and events:

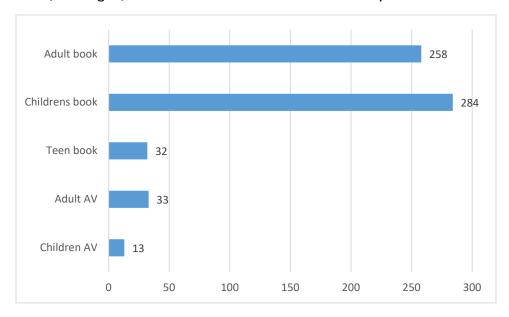
- 2/5 Adult Services Manager interview
- 2/9 Adult Services Manager interview
- 2/13 Automatically Yours revamp meeting with Julie
- 2/14 DH meeting
- 2/22 PinOps meeting at White Oak-Crest Hill

### Current projects:

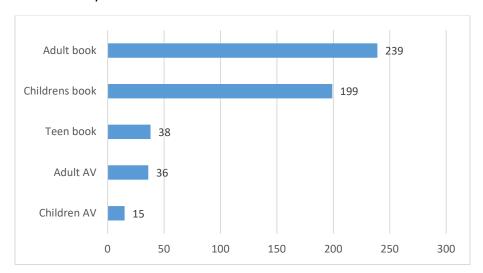
No projects at this time.

## **Tech Service Statistics**

Items processed, cataloged, and added to the collection in February:



### Items ordered in February:

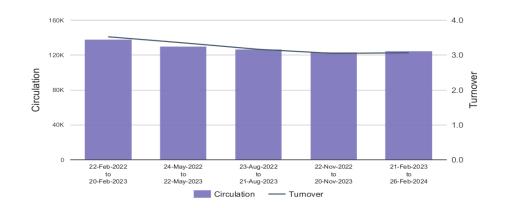


# **CollectionHQ**

# Circulation and Turnover

\*This graph displays the circulation of the items in our library as well as the turnover of the items. Data is displayed over 5 points in time.

Turnover is the circulation during the date range divided by the number of our items.



### **Dead Items – All Audiences**

\*This graph shows the percentage of items on shelf that have not been checked out in 2+ years. Our Dead percentage is at 7.33% (0.36% increase from last month). Anything under 10% is considered good.



### **Grubby Items – All Audiences**

\*This graph shows the percentage of items currently circulating that have had 40+ checkouts. Our grubby percentage is at 3.51% (.18% increase from last month). As with the dead percentage, the goal is to be under 10%.

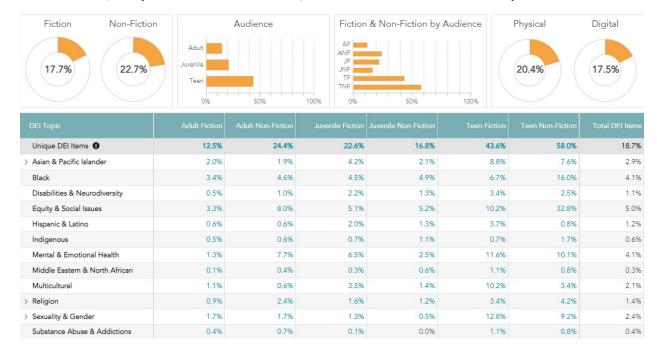


### Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI)

This is a tool that gives us a snapshot of how diverse our collection is in regards to race, gender, culture, etc.

Items Analyzed this month: 87,244

DEI Items: 16,357 (18.7% of our collection; 0.2% increase from last month)



Respectfully submitted,

Leslie Lovato Technical Services Manager

# MONTHLY REPORT

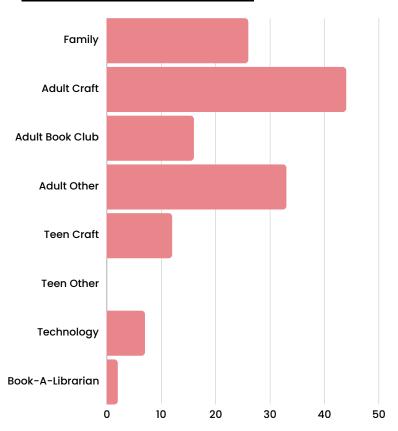
# FEBRUARY 2024

# MAREN FLESSEN & ROSE NOWAK INTERIM & CURRENT ADULT, TEEN & TECHNOLOGY SERVICES MANAGERS

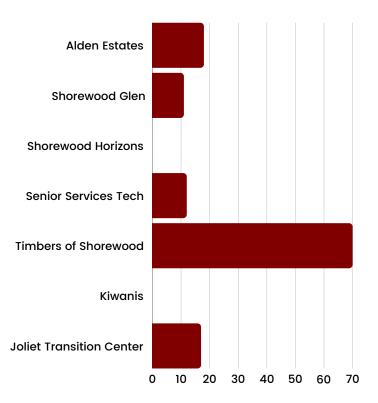
- Adult Services
  - o Our Winter Read program wrapped up on February 29th.
    - See page 4 for details
  - o Our Seed Library is now running
- Teen Services
  - No new projects to discuss.
- Adult & Teen Outreach
  - Lightways Hospice partnered with us to host a Vet-to-Vet Cafe, where veterans are recognized for their service through a pinning ceremony, and able to speak about their experiences with other veterans. We had 14 veterans attend.
  - Our Adult Outreach Coordinator Sarah Haish coordinated with Illinois Library
    Presents to host a Watch Party of their most recent Julia Quinn interview at Timbers
    of Shorewood Retirement Community. She designed and created life size
    Bridgerton photo props, and facilitated a discussion on the book for the Timbers
    Book Club.
- Technology
  - We are partnering with Will County Workforce Commission to host an accessible employment kiosk. Patrons are able to come in whenever the library is open to browse job openings and apply for positions right from this kiosk. It is located in the front of the library on the first floor.

# PROGRAMS & OUTREACH

### **ACTIVE PROGRAMS**



# OUTREACH PROGRAMS/EVENTS



### PASSIVE PROGRAMS

NUMBER OF PROGRAMS: 3 TOTAL PATRONS: 158

# STAFF MEETINGS PROGRAMS & OUTREACH

- Rose Adult, Teen & Technology Manager
  - Pinnacle Debrief Meeting with Matt Hammermeister
  - Programming Meeting
  - Manager Training
  - o Polaris LEAP Training
  - Website Redesign Launch Meeting
  - Winter Reading Program

### • Maren - Adult Programming Coordinator

- Winter Reading Program
- Department Head Meeting
- ATS Department Meeting
- All-Staff Meeting
- Website Redesign Launch Meeting
- Programming Meeting
- Library Road Trip Virtual Meeting
- Novel Idea Book Club
- Tech Help Tuesday x 2
- Proctoring x 1
- o Book a Librarian x 2
- o Book Bingo
- Virtual Pinterest Program
- Vet-to-Vet Cafe Program
- Joliet Transition Center x 1

### Sarah - Adult & Teen Outreach Coordinator

- All-Staff Meeting
- Winter Reading Program
- ATS Department Meeting
- o Alden Visit x 2
- o Horizons Visit x 2
- Senior Services of Will County x 3
- Joliet Transition Center Training x 4
- Kiwanis Meeting x 2
- o Shorewood Glen Craft Program
- o Timbers Visit
- o Timbers Book Club x 1
- Timbers ILP Watch Party
- Family Engagement Program
- Troy-Hofer Literacy Night x 2
- Step by Step Program
- o Children's Program

### • Violet - Teen Programming Coordinator

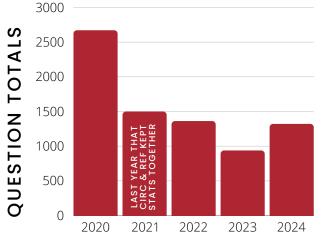
- All-Staff Meeting
- ATS Department Meeting
- Programming Meeting
- Winter Reading Program
- Dungeons & Dragons (at Critical Grind Coffee Shop)
- Teen Take & Make
- Adult Take & Make

### • Hailie - Adult & Teen Services Assistant

- All-Staff Meeting
- Winter Reading Program
- Craft Program
- Virtual Speaker Program
- Craft Take & Make

# **STATISTICS**

# REFERENCE QUESTIONS





### **TYPES OF REFERENCE QUESTIONS**

**Holds** - when patrons ask for items to be placed on hold for them.

Item Availability - when we search our catalog and/or shelves to see if an item is available for checkout.

Programs - questions related to library programs for all ages. For example, "What do I need to bring with me to the Tai Chi program?"

Quick Answer - easy to answer questions with quick answers, such as "What time do you open tomorrow?"

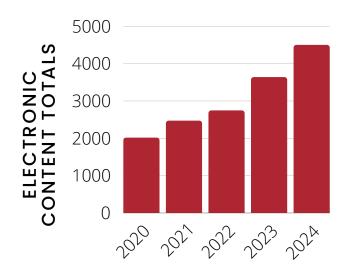
Reader's Advisory - reading recommendations based on a conversation with a patron. For example, "Can you help me find a new mystery book? I really like thrillers."

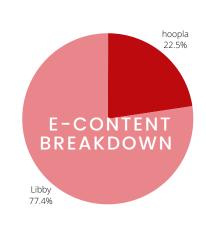
Reference - questions involving research, dealing with passports, license plate renewals, or any other in depth topic. For example, "Where is the closest post office, and how do I get there?"

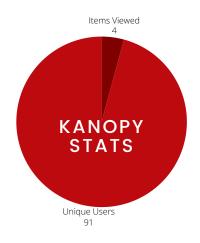
**Technology** - questions on computer programs, smart phones, e-readers, or other technology related programs and devices.

# **ELECTRONIC CONTENT**

We have three electronic material platforms, Kanopy (movies and television shows), Libby (e-books and audiobooks), and hoopla (e-books, audiobooks, movies, television shows, graphic novels, and music).

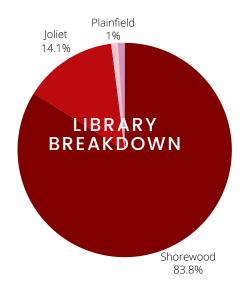


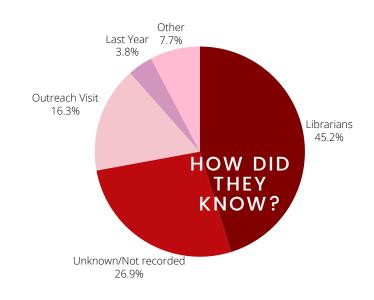




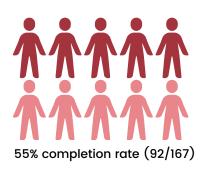
# WINTER READING BREAKDOWN

Completion - Read 3 hours Dates - February 1-29, 2024





# **ADULT**



PAPER LOG V. BEANSTACK

68%

- ADULTS REGISTERED: 167
- MOST READ: 185 HOURS!
- TOTAL READING: 115,150 MINUTES/1,919 HRS/80 DAYS

# **TEEN**



PAPER LOG V. BEANSTACK

58%

- TEENS REGISTERED: 12
- MOST READ: 42 HOURS!
- TOTAL READING: 115,150 MINUTES/1,919 HRS/80 DAYS



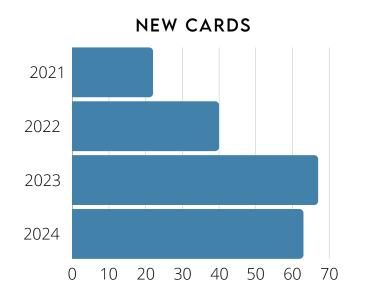
# **STAFF**

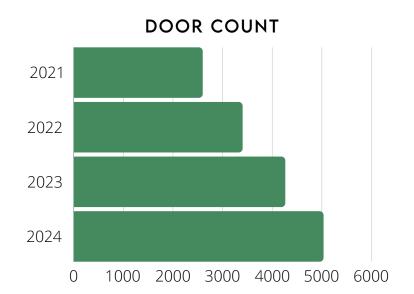
- MOST READ: 36 HOURS!
- TOTAL \*TRACKED\* READING: 96 HRS/4 DAYS

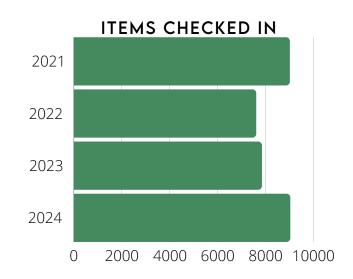
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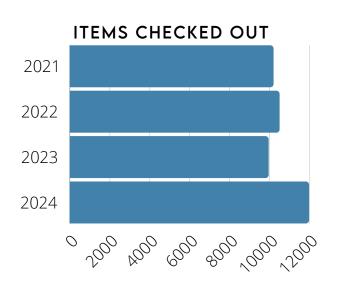
# JULIE HORNBERGER

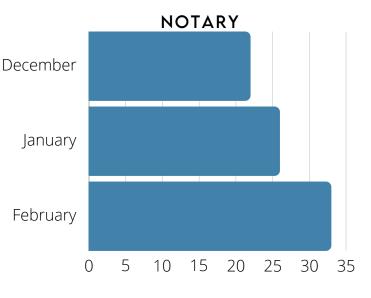
CIRCULATION MANAGER

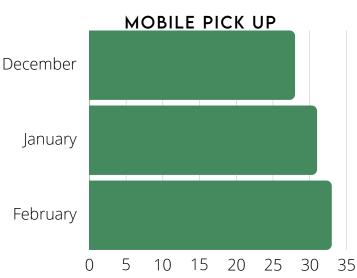












# February 2024 MARKETING STATS

Monthly Board Report Melissa Almanza Marketing Specialist



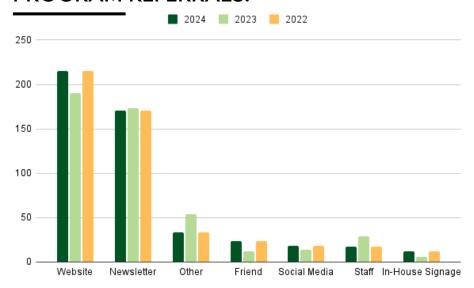
## **WEBSITE VISITS:**

	2024	2023	2022
Views	6,512	6,675	5,070
Visitors	2,156	2,213	1,691
Views per visit	3.02	3.02	3.00

## **MEETING ROOM BOOKINGS:**

	2024	2023	2022
Non-Profit	4	3	5
For-Profit	1	0	0

### **PROGRAM REFERRALS:**



# **ENEWS STATS:**

7,997 EMAILS SENT **44.99%** OPEN RATE 215 CLICKS **127 UNIQUE CLICKERS** 

6,854 EMAILS SENT **49.36%** OPEN RATE 316 CLICKS **208** UNIQUE CLICKERS

**6,207** EMAILS SENT **40.62%** OPEN RATE 127 CHCKS 72 UNIQUE CLICKERS

# **FACEBOOK:**



**FOLLOWERS** 3,627 NEW FOLLOWS 33

**INTERACTIONS** 4.3k 2023 8k 2022

2022 0

**INSTAGRAM: FOLLOWERS** 

> 1,115 NEW FOLLOWS 7

0

\*Some data is unavailable

# February 2024

# MARKETING PROJECTS & UPDATES



# **WEBSITE PROJECT:**

- Kick-off meeting took place February 26th
- WebLinx team (Theresa, Rick and Joe) are working on the first draft of the home page
- This phase should take approximately 6 weeks (~April 8th)
- We provided a style guide to the team as they work to develop our new branding
- Over the course of the next 4 weeks, I'll be updating web content starting with our most valuable pages



## **EVENTS:**

- Our Friends of the Library Puzzle Competition was a big success! The room was full of engaged people of all ages. We even had some participants ask us when the next one will be!
- The PinMark group is working hard to finalize the details for our Pinnacle & Pours program. We have 13 total businesses participating - 3 of which are partnered with Shorewood: Code One Coffee Truck, Critical Grind, and Will County Brewing
- Library Road Trip is ready to hit the road March 23rd!
- Our Winter Reading Challenge had a great turnout. The
  Friends came by to kick-off the event and the library was a full
  house. Over 100 people in Children's alone picked up reading
  logs that night!







March 14, 2024

TO: Board of Trustees, Shorewood-Troy Library

FROM: Jennie Mills, Director

RE: Parking Lot updates

The Building Committee met on March 7<sup>th</sup> to approve a quote from Ethos Architecture for a total of **\$6,600.00**, based on the revised architecture plan approved by the Board on February 8<sup>th</sup>. This covers:

- Plat map (required by the Village)
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- Electrical Engineering (\$500)
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- o Architectural design (\$1200)

The revised plan will be submitted to the Village of Shorewood by tomorrow (March 15<sup>th</sup>) for review. If it is accepted on the April agenda for the Planning & Zoning Commission Meeting for April, I'll cancel my attendance at PLA to ensure that I'm at the Planning and Zoning meeting.

March 15, 2024

To: Board of Trustees, Shorewood-Troy Library

FROM: Jennie Mills, Director

RE: Strategic Planner Dates

I've set up a Straw Poll with dates. At the Board meeting, the Board can select the best date and time.

I am also requesting that the library be closed for a half-day so that Kathy may meet with the staff for their input. This will be timed around the Board's scheduled meeting.

To: The Library 3/2024 staff who are so nice & helpful: A special thankyou to the Children's library! It is an amazing place with all Kinds of wonders in every corner, My grandchildren had so much fun with the Willy Worka program. They enjoy the plastic bins & the small Kitchen area. The take home Kits + books are nice. We haven't connected a/Hoopla. I feel that their desire to read more had dwindled but has been renewed. The Kindness, caring a patience of the women at the desk is wonderful. A+!

I have seen tiny people & bigger one senjoying their time there, Keepup the good work!!!

Gma Sheny Mastalesh

Dear Libaury I had so much fun doing woka Birgo hank you for the foun and cand y Sincerly for the hard work