Library Director's Report for May 2019

Staff:
-We hired Suzanne Mills, a current on-call staff who has been working in Technical Services, for the 25-hour a week Library Assistant II position; she started June 2;
-We hired 11 new on-calls from the recruitments that ended last month; they will start their training this week;
-We had our goodbye party for Betty Armstrong; which turned out really nice; many people came from different phases of her library service, which was a lovely tribute to her;
-We received 95 applications for the LA2 in Technical Services that is replacing her.

Partnerships and trainings:
-We sent 4 people to the Ryan Dowd's *Librarians' Guide to Homelessness* training in Salem, which they offered for free. It's a really excellent training that people say is life-changing. However, it's also REALLY expensive and we were really fortunate to send 4 people for free. Please take a look at the website: http://www.homelesslibrary.com/

Programs:
-We held an *Oregon Conversation Project* on 'Death and Dying"
-We held another trivia night with Black Ink/White Rabbit
-A training on what to do with your pets when there is a disaster was held
-Our first ever BAM! (Because Accessibility Matters) program was held; it was an Art Lab; 21 people attended
-Staff attended school assemblies to promote summer reading; this goes on into June; May numbers are: Redland SRP Assembly: 588; Holcomb SRP Assembly: 260; Jennings Lodge SRP Assembly: 251
-May the 4th be with you saw 400 attendees
-For our regular monthly staff meeting we learned all about summer reading!

June is:
-June is Pride month!
-Summer Reading sign-ups started June 1; Touch a Truck is June 17, Family Concert series starts June 19
-We held our first ever Disability Advisory Group meeting
-250 middle schoolers are scheduled to visit the Carnegie on June 10

In other news:
-I assisted with one portion of the library director interviews for Newberg Public Library
-I am on the architect selection committee for the new Oak Lodge and Gladstone libraries