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May Director's Report

Bookmobile Construction

The drivers and I traveled to LDV in Burlington on Thursday, 4/14 for a tour of the facility and a planning session that lasted about 4 hours! We were able to modify the interior layout, as well as select colors/fabrics/materials for the floor, walls, shelves and upholstery. It was a very exciting visit and we all can't wait for the new bus!

Out and About

Nate and I took the Bookmobile to the McFarland 3-year-old health screening program held at the Madison Curling Club on Wednesday, April 20. While we didn't have many visitors on board, parents attending the event were talking about us! We plan to attend next year but park in closer proximity to the entrance.

The Bookmobile and Readmobile will make an appearance in the Monona Memorial Day parade this year. What a terrific way to celebrate 50 years of service!

We are planning for the Readmobile will have a presence at the Dane County Breakfast on the Farm in Blue Mounds this year. We had hoped to take the Bookmobile, but the event requires all presenters to remain for the entire event, and the Bus has to be in Springfield at 9:30 am.

Bookmobile Love

We received a lovely packet from the Morrisonville students on Friday, April 15 full of artwork in honor of the bus and the drivers! Julie Harrier, my main teacher contact at Morrisonville Elementary, sent these words: "Once again thanks so much for keeping our classroom full of new titles and our anticipation of Friday afternoon so HIGH :)!" We are thrilled that we have found a service formula that works for that stop.



Beyond the Page

I will be excited to report on our first-ever Beyond the Page Idea Workshop, which will take place on Wednesday, May 4 at Middleton Public Library. At this event, we hope to offer the opportunity to Dane County Libraries' staff to share possible BTP grant ideas and get a head start on partnerships and grant writing. We will then present a grant-writing workshop in August with the expertise guidance of the Wisconsin Humanities Council.

SCLS News

ILS - The Cataloging Agreement with Madison is under review this year by a committee looking to update it. It will be approved at the June 1 ILS Committee meeting.

Koha improvements are focused on the Get It acquisitions program with focus on Credit Memos and bug fixes. SCLS staff expects that the Code-based fusion, which was tentatively scheduled for this fall, will be pushed off.

Technology – Tech Services is looking at proposing a full-time Data Services position that will focus on report writing and administration.

The Cost Formula Workgroup has made recommendations for ERate reimbursements, and charging for iBoss filtering software, adding devices onto the network, ILS startup costs and Get It. The actual formula will remain intact.