

GENERAL UPDATES

The Park City Library has been awarded the 2026 Quality Library Designation by the Utah State Library. The designation recognizes the Library for providing excellent service to the community and will be formally celebrated at the Utah State Library Directors Summit on October 2. This recognition reflects the ongoing commitment of the Library team to providing high-quality, responsive, and innovative library services.

The Library brought together staff, Friends of the Library, and Library Board members for a collaborative meet-and-greet and SWOT analysis on August 12. Bringing these groups together provided an opportunity to build relationships, share perspectives, and collectively identify the Library's strengths, challenges, opportunities, and threats. The ideas generated will help inform development of the FY28–FY30 Strategic Plan, with the groups expected to reconvene as the planning process progresses.

Community outreach continued with a presentation at the Park City Senior Center, where approximately 60 community members learned about the Library's new website and mobile app. This outreach helps ensure that patrons are aware of new digital services and have the knowledge and confidence to take advantage of them.

Planning also began for the renovation of the YouWork Room into a new Library Event Space. Initial work with the design team and project manager focused on the future space's uses, layout, functionality, and design priorities. The project will create a more flexible environment for Library programming, community gatherings, and other events.

CATALOGING & COLLECTIONS

The Library continued to enhance services and resources that improve the patron experience and expand access to learning opportunities.

A new 3D printing replacement process now provides patrons with an immediate alternative when a print fails. A selection of completed prints is available for patrons to choose from, reducing the inconvenience associated with failed print jobs and providing a more responsive service.

The Library also contributed to statewide early-learning efforts through development of Numeracy Storytime Kits in partnership with the Utah State Library and STEM Action Center. The kits provide books, manipulatives, activities, rhymes, and other resources designed to help libraries and caregivers incorporate early math concepts into storytime. Two of the three kits include bilingual Spanish/English materials, expanding their usefulness to multilingual families.

The public gaming system was updated so that only games rated Everyone are displayed. This change creates a more age-appropriate environment for younger visitors and provides greater clarity about the types of games available through the Library.

The Library also provided event and technology support for the Song Summit, helping ensure that community programming could be delivered successfully and effectively.

EVENTS & PUBLICITY

August marked the transition from the Library's busy summer programming season into fall planning. Summer Reading, Music on the Patio, and Yoga on the Patio concluded or began winding down, while staff shifted attention toward the upcoming Utah Humanities Book Festival and fall programming.

Summer programming continued to engage patrons of all ages through hands-on learning and STEAM activities. Youth participated in dinosaur-themed science and art programs, while adults explored topics such as fractals. These programs provided opportunities for creativity, exploration, and informal learning throughout the summer.

The Library continued its AI Speaker Series, with a presentation addressing digital misinformation and public trust in science. Author programming also featured Rebecca Lafferty discussing her book *The Lafferty Girl: Surviving Trauma, Abuse, and My Father's Crimes*, with a focus on trauma, healing, and resilience. Sound bath programming resumed as part of the Library's off-season offerings.

Language-learning services remained an important component of summer programming. English as a Second Language classes supported community members during the summer school break, while beginner Spanish classes continued for a second summer. The Library also partnered with Park City Film and Basin Recreation to present *Going Varsity in Mariachi* as part of Movie on the Patio.

The Library extended its reach beyond the building through community outreach and partnerships, including Senior Center programming, the Senior Center Book Club, the Christian Center of Park City's Mobile Food Bank and Back 2 School Basics programs, and the Youth United Registration Event. The Library also welcomed Soaring Wings International Montessori School for a tour.

INFORMATION, TECHNOLOGY & CIRCULATION

The Library continued to focus on improving patron experience through technology, service enhancements, and operational improvements.

The Library's collection inventory project accelerated during August through increased participation from staff and trained volunteers. Inventory is now underway in the Youth, Teen, and A.V. collections, with a goal of completing scanning of the first-floor collections by the end of September. Second-floor inventory is also progressing, with the Large Print and Memory Care collections completed and Fiction and Non-Fiction remaining. Completed inventories are achieving success rates above 90%, with some collections reaching 100% with no missing items.

The Library's new mobile app has seen strong early adoption, with 181 new downloads during the first two weeks following the mid-August marketing launch. Staff have actively promoted the app and helped patrons become familiar with its features, which provide convenient access to Library accounts, digital resources, physical collections, holds, and a digital library card.

Several improvements were made to the Library's public computer and printing services. The one-hour computer time limit has been removed, providing greater flexibility for patrons who need extended computer access. Printing is now available from both first- and second-floor printers regardless of where a job is submitted, giving patrons greater convenience and flexibility.

Technology supporting the Library's 3D printing service was also enhanced through the installation of a dedicated computer with specialized software and access to Thingiverse, a website where people share digital design files for 3D printing. These improvements make the service easier to use and support continued public access to emerging technologies.

TRAINING

Date	Topic	Participants	Total Contact Hours
No trainings in August.			
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