

SYSTEMS LIBRARIAN REPORT June 17, 2016

- As I hoped in last month's report, this month's <u>is</u> celebratory! The elevator was operational on May 16th and has been operating smoothly ever since. Patrons and staff alike are much happier now.
- The surveillance camera was installed in the elevator car, so that project is completely finished at the Coldwater Branch. Bronson and Sherwood finished, and the remaining branches are on my to-do list for the coming months.
- We learned our new fire alarm is sensitive enough that our popcorn machine can set it off. After a discussion with the fire marshal we have adjusted our operations to account for this in the future. The final piece of the fire alarm puzzle was installed on the 9th: a secure box outside the building for the fire department to access building keys. Now in the event of an after-hours emergency, there will be no need to bust down all the doors.
- There was some vandalism at the Coldwater Branch on Thursday, June 9th. Our light fixture was pulled off of the east side entrance by at least one of a group of teens hanging out near the door. They never came inside, so we didn't have a clear view of them on the cameras for identification. From above, it didn't appear to be malicious. The police took a report and electricians made the hole temporarily safe. I'm waiting for cost estimates for replacing the original undamaged fixture and for replacing them outright, since they've been hit by trucks in our driveway previously.
- The roof repairs authorized last month are finished. The crew was here working a little over 3 days and the total was just under \$5,700. They found some major issues that somehow escaped the previous inspections and repaired them, along with some bird damage I pointed out. The before and after pictures are striking, and I am happy to report that we have experienced no leaking in any of the problem areas since. I've contacted our painter for a quote on repairing the plaster and repainting in areas damaged by water over the last few years.
- Electrical work is finished in the Director's office renovation, and painting prep began on the 16th. All furniture is here, so once the painting is completed I should be able to move all the furniture in. I'm shooting for the end of next week to be complete. As approved last month, when the final bills are in the balance will be used to replaced worn out staff task chairs at the Coldwater Branch.
- On Monday, June 13th, we conducted a group staff training session on the operation of our new Square cash registers. I created a manual to accompany the training that Board members may find on the Staff Wiki. Initial feedback has been positive, and people seemed to take to the new system quickly. The registers were deployed system-wide on June 15th and announced the following day.

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