Eagle Scout Gives Back to His Library

When Dominic Prince was planning his Eagle Scout project, his mom Sandy Prince advised him to look toward a place close to his heart, the Library. The entire Prince family has a long history of volunteering for the Library District. Sandy is currently serving on the Friends of the Library Board and everyone helps out at the annual Friends Summer Book Fair. Dominic, who is just about to turn 17, has been volunteering at the Kisker Road Branch during Summer Reading since he was 13 years old.

"The Library has always been a part of Dominic's life," said Sandy, "so he was very comfortable presenting his proposal to the staff at the Kisker Road Branch." Dominic met to discuss his project with Children’s Librarian Julie Henke, who just recently retired after 20 years of dedicated service to the District. Julie decided what she really wanted was a writing desk in the Children’s area.

The Eagle Scout project is a leadership/management exercise. Scouts are instructed to find a need in their community, develop and design the project to fulfill that need, and manage the execution or building of the project. “Dominic has a connection to the Library and giving back to this place that he has grown up going to really meant something to him,” said Sandy.

The new writing center was delivered to the Kisker Road Branch in November of 2015. It includes all the tools a child will need to sit and enjoy drawing and writing. “By creating a designated writing center for the Kisker Road Branch Children’s area, Dominic is helping the Library District to encourage this important early literacy skill," said Maggie Melson, Library District Youth Services Manager.

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