

Director's Report September 2025

Deb Flint, Library Director

Building & Grounds:

- Perfect Water came for their regularly scheduled September cleaning.
- Maintenance washed window exteriors.
- The parade sign was stored in the shed.

Collection:

- Added 83 new books, 171 donations, and 0 DVDs in August.
- Maintenance put up a small shelf to hold series picture books and moved the Board Book spinner. This allowed for more shelf space for Junior Picture Books. New signage was also put up.
- Ordered new books for all age groups. Also ordered new DVDs.

Community Outreach:

- October is the Great Give Back month again this year. We will be partnering with the Galway Backpack Program to collect bottles for them to raise money to purchase items to go into the backpacks.
- Youth Coordinator met with the new school librarian.
- Assisted a community member with bulk mailing information.

Grants & Donations:

- Used Stewart's Holiday Match money to purchase children's program materials.
- Received the '25-'26 LLSA check from SALS for \$1965.60.

Meetings:

- Led August Director's Council meeting.
- Met with the President and new trustees for trustee orientation.

Programs:

Adult Program Attendance:

August Tech Assistance – 13
 8/18 Mahjongg – 6
 8/19 Coloring Club for Grown-Ups – 6
 8/20 Astronomy – 6
 8/21 Writers Group – 7
 8/22 Cozy Stitchers – 1
 8/25 Mahjongg – 7
 8/25 When Reader's Meet – 8
 8/27 Photography Club – 18
 9/2 Coloring Club for Grown-Ups – 5
 9/8 Mahjongg – 5
 9/10 Young Pro's Book Discussion – 4
 9/10 Oh Deer! – 7
 9/12 Tea & Talk: Galway Memories – 23
 TOTAL: 116

Children's Program Attendance:

8/14 Teen Locker Lamps – 5 K, 1 A
 8/18 Nature Club: Leaf Prints – 7 K, 5 A
 8/18 Makerspace: Tegu Blocks – 73
 8/19 Raising Readers Storytime – 12 K, 9 A
 8/20 Deconstruction – 4 K, 1 A
 8/26 Raising Readers Storytime – 7 K, 4 A
 9/2 Raising Readers Storytime – 8 K, 7 A
 9/4 Family Storytime – 1 K, 1 A
 9/8 Crafternoon: Melted Crayon – 10 K, 7 A
 9/9 Raising Readers Storytime – 17 K, 14 A
 TOTAL: 193

Teen Program Attendance:

9/11 TAB BTS Ice Cream Social – 22

Family Program Attendance:

8/16 SRP Wrap Up Party – 31
 9/6 Cutting Out the Junk – 5
 TOTAL: 36

Community Room Usage Attendance:

(8/14-9/12)
 Tutoring (5 sessions) – 24
 GPS Archives (6 sessions) – 23
 Interview (2 sessions) – 4
 Girl Scouts – 20
 TOTAL: 71

Volunteer Hours: (not BOT, committees, nor book processing) 8/14-9/12 – 18 individuals a combined 23 times for total of 36.5 hours.

Upcoming Program Schedule:

Adults:

9/15, 9/22, 9/29, 10/6, 10/20, 10/27, 11/3, 11/10, 11/17, 11/24 – Mahjonn
9/16, 10/7, 10/21, 11/4, 11/18 - Grown-Up Coloring Club
9/17, 10/15, 11/19 - Astronomy Club
9/17, 9/20, 9/24, 10/1, 10/8, 10/15, 10/18, 10/22, 10/29 - Tech Assist
9/18, 10/16, 11/20 - Writers' Group
9/18 - Adult Game Night
9/20 - Faux Stained Glass
9/22, 10/27, 11/24 - When Readers Meet
9/24, 10/29, 11/22 - Photography Club
9/26, 10/24, 11/28 - Cozy Corner Stitchers
9/27 - Chinese Painting
10/2 - Fall Candle Class
10/2 - Social Security Session
10/8, 11/12 - Young Pro's Book Disc.
10/8 - Zoom Q&A w/ Author Mary Roach
10/17 - Nature Art Prog for Big Read: *Fuzz*
10/18 - Lighted Picture Frame
10/18 - Volunteer Recognition Reception
10/22 - Erie Canal at 200 w/ Schoharie Crossing
11/6 - Winter Scene Acrylic Painting
11/15 - Decorated Wine Bottles

Kids & Teens:

9/13, 10/11, 11/8, 12/13 - Pokémon Club
9/13, 10/11, 11/8, 12/13 - Esports
9/15, 10/20, 11/17 - Nature Club
9/16, 9/23, 9/30, 10/7, 10/14, 10/21, 10/28 – Raising Readers Storytime
9/17, 10/15, 11/19 - Deconstruction
9/18, 10/16, 11/20 - Chess & Checkers Club
9/18, 10/16, 11/20 - Makerspace
9/22, 10/27, 11/24 - Tech & Science Club
9/25 - TAB Organizational Meeting
9/29 - DIY Kaleidoscopes
10/2, 11/6, 12/4 - Family Storytime
10/4 - Family Program

10/6, 11/3, 12/1 - Lego Club
10/9 - TAB Halloween Movie
10/23 - 3D Wall Hangings
10/30 - Halloween Craft
11/1 - Author Farial English Book Reading
11/10, 12/8 – Crafternoon
11/13 - TAB Manhunt

Publicity:

- Worked on September trifold and flyers over several days.

Staff:

- Met with the sub-clerk to discuss her 90-day review.
- Worked on invitation list for the volunteer reception.

Tasks:

- Youth Coordinator tabulated numbers and completed the Summer Reading Program survey to send in to SALS/NYS.
- Updated Trustee Google Docs to current versions of documents.
- Wrote letter of support for request by SALS for eContent funding from Saratoga County.
- Registered for the NYLA Conference in November.
- Checked the status of unshipped new books ordered in the last 4 months.
- Requested income tax forms for the upcoming tax season.
- I am working on a Wish List to give to the Friends for items we would like, but do not have the current funds for. The Friends asked me to do this.
- Scheduled meeting with insurance agent at October BOT meeting to review our policy for this year. He will attend via Zoom.

GPL USAGE STATS

Record Counts	Jul-24	Aug-24	Sep-24	Oct-24	Nov-24	Dec-24	Jan-26	Feb-25	Mar-25	Apr-25	May-25	Jun-25	Jul-25	Aug-25
Total Items	36212	36126	36184	36303	36395	36207	36262	36529	36375	36615	36469	36109	36128	36381
Withdrawn	1	239	85	198	95	329	11	31	194	7	298	430	118	99
Added Items	210	156	147	317	193	149	80	302	76	248	160	70	143	365
Total Patrons	2236	2256	2256	2282	2295	2304	2317	2324	2285	2301	2324	2340	2370	2367
Added Patrons	30	34	15	30	16	12	14	17	30	22	26	18	42	20
Circulation	3341	3200	2967	2674	2386	2106	2554	2521	2727	2348	2606	2559	3592	2992
Checkouts	2849	2768	2435	2169	1963	1677	2238	2124	2296	1959	2235	2127	3148	2558
Renewals	492	432	532	505	423	429	316	397	431	389	371	432	444	434
Borrowers	463	454	413	400	365	351	371	377	398	362	405	414	527	463
Checked In	2412	2549	2397	2210	1723	1737	1863	1925	2319	1852	2140	1788	2810	2455
Holds Placed	535	608	491	491	522	403	574	543	658	487	588	569	412	538
Holds Filled	527	573	518	432	521	367	564	484	631	513	566	464	416	533
E-Content Circ	513	514	485	487	461	517	577	533	524	588	616	559	720	675
Hoopla Borrowers	50	54	36	48	47	33	49	59	55	45	86	47	62	59
PAC Logins	631	622	593	608	522	482	652	627	641	512	578	523	523	594
Wireless Clients	210	157	148	158	163	162	160	149	182	156	147	153	243	210
Cassie Sessions	45	43	35	48	48	38	54	61	49	40	49	46	53	38
Door Count	3024	2032	1727	2189	1802	1660	2121	1690	2027	1767	1873	1869	3452	2069

PHYSICAL MATERIALS CIRCULATION

Month	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
January	1702	2365	1506	2243	2447	2798	2554
February	1375	2400	1768	2087	2407	2550	2521
March	1656	2199	2172	2417	2768	2411	2727
April	1555	239	2256	2198	2527	2476	2348
May	1349	371	2064	2165	2487	2321	2606
June	1719	852	2430	2554	2841	2544	2559
July	2407	1664	3304	3261	3131	3341	3592
August	1718	2509	2870	3118	3406	3200	2992
September	1172	2214	2398	2615	2739	2967	
October	2633	2214	2282	2811	2822	2674	
November	2197	2049	2343	2820	2630	2386	
December	1714	2072	2091	2274	2332	2106	
YEAR TOTAL	21197	21148	27484	30563	32537	31774	

ECONTENT CIRCULATION

	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
January	206	154	264	314	392	634	577
February	150	165	297	287	347	596	533
March	207	191	344	302	400	580	524
April	187	230	271	238	424	544	588
May	198	351	320	311	390	551	616
June	245	325	317	326	416	536	559
July	210	330	328	359	566	513	720
August	217	349	372	382	459	514	675
September	195	337	291	362	488	485	
October	177	268	310	372	655	487	
November	180	259	296	361	596	461	
December	165	254	322	320	565	517	
YEAR TOTAL	2337	3213	3732	3934	5698	6418	

HOOPLA CIRCULATION

	2022	2023	2024	2025
January		43	46	49
February		20	36	59
March		33	45	55
April		25	45	45
May		25	30	86
June		22	50	47
July		30	50	62
August		40	54	59
September	38	29	36	
October	21	27	48	
November	23	10	47	
December	31	37	33	
YEAR TOTAL	113	341	520	