**Librarian’s Report**

**Aug 30, 2022**

1. **Statistics: JUNE 2022 (+/- % Changes From Last Year)**

Circulation: 2119(+12%) Digital Circulation: 404 (+20%)

Computer Use: 248(+48%) WIFI Use: 2880

Interlibrary Loan Loans: 390(+27%) ILL Borrows: 695 (+14%)

Children Programs: 588 YA Programs: 13 Adult Programs: 74

One on one: 16 Community Organization Use: 4

1. **Statistics: JULY 2022 (+/- % Changes From Last Year)**

Circulation: 2787(+2%) Digital Circulation: 404 (+2%)

Computer Use: 313(+12%) WIFI Use: 2995

Interlibrary Loan Loans: 347(+4%) ILL Borrows: 697 (-5%)

Children Programs: 391 YA Programs: 15 Adult Programs: 99

One on one: 4 Community Organization Use: 3

1. **Program Report**

**Children (PK – Grade 4)**

Our weekly programs this summer included the “Oceans of Possibilities” summer craft and reading program, preschool storytime, and Lego club. All four sessions of Lego club were planned and coordinated by our Teen Library Page, Katrina Blais who is on her way to college! She did a wonderful job with the kids and with coming up with creative challenges each week. In addition, we offered two evening shows: a Live Animal Show, and a Pirate School comedy show. All programs were well attended and the feedback was great. We have one remaining summer kids show, “Bedtime Stories with Piggies” with guest author/reader Todd Friedman from Arthur’s Animal Sanctuary in Parksville. Kids who could not attend the programs had the option to record their paper reading logs to track their reading and win prizes. 24 youth picked up the reading logs and 4 brought them back for prizes. Six preschoolers and 18 elementary age children who came to the weekly programs tracked their reading for a total of 9,435 minutes. We had a total attendance of 589 at our pre-k and elementary aged summer programs

**Teen (Grades 5 – 12)**

We offered five, weekly drop-in sessions for teens with games, and art activities. Total participation was 31. We recruited several excellent teen volunteers who hope to continue to assist us in the fall. Teen Summer Reading Bingo participants had the chance to win a donated $30 Dunkin’ card raffled off as the top prize. Other prizes included Pizza Hut Pan Pizzas, free ice cream from Munson Diner, books, as well as free bike, rollerblade or snowshoe rentals from Fortress Bikes. We gave out 57 of the Bingo Boards to teens (and adults) and had 6 bingo boards returned for prizes. All participants won prizes of some kind.

**Adult**

In addition to our regular ongoing programs, this month we offered 3 new programs: Creative Crafters, Mahjong, and 21+ board games. Creative Crafters had 11 in attendance at its kick-off session and decided to meet again in September to do basic drawing and painting of fall still life. Mahjong has had a lot of interest and is meeting weekly with 8-12 in attendance each week. 21 + Board games will meet again on Friday September 9, as several people who had expressed interest were unable to make it to our August session. A total of 216 adults participated in our Summer programs.

**Upcoming Programs**

See Sept. Calendar for more details about upcoming programs.

1. **New Online Library Catalog**

*Aspen Discovery* was chosen by library directors to replace the current *Enterprise* online library catalog. RCLS asked Liberty along with Newburgh, Tuxedo, Washingtonville, Pearl River, and Valley Cottage to be the first libraries in the system to roll out the new catalog. RCLS will be working with each of us to develop templates that will present the new online catalog to the patrons customized to local preferences. This process will help RCLS and other libraries understand the options each library may use to build their own branded online catalog to interact with their community members. These online catalogs will go live in December 2022 with other libraries coming on board in 2023. Enterprise remains available for the other libraries until Sept 1, 2023.

1. **New York State Retirement (NYSLR) Enhanced Reporting**

This summer Marilyn and I have been training for a different online retirement reporting process known as enhanced reporting. This new system now requires us to enter data for all of our employees regardless of their NYSLR membership status. Our final trainings are scheduled for mid-September. We should go live with the new enhanced reporting system at the end of September.