

Monthly Report July 2024

The Collection Committee met via email to review purchases for the month. 54 items were ordered, and all the items ordered have been received, and processed. The Collection Committee has received the collection list for August, and it will be approved via email.

The Friends of the Library held their second Book Sale of the season on July 20 and 21. The last I heard, the next Friends of the Library meeting will be on August 22 at 4pm.

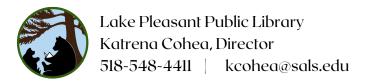
Director's Report

During the month of July:

- We had total of 1,442 patrons visit the library.
 - 1,068 adult patrons
 - o 232 children patrons
 - 67 teen patrons
 - Computers used by 75 patrons
- 1,532 items were checked out
 - 399 children's books
 - 513 adult books
 - 100 new/popular books
 - o 323 adult and children's videos
 - o 124 econtent
- There were 182 PAC logins, with 128 holds placed
- We registered 28 new patrons
- 257 items were received to fill holds between MVLS & SALS
- 171 items were transferred to fill holds between MVLS & SALS
- 209 holds were placed
- There were 975 total unique clients who used the wifi, for an average of 36 people per day

Some comparisons between July 2022, 2023, and 2024:

- 334 adult fiction books were circulated in 2022
- 293 adult fiction books were circulated in 2023
- 351 adult fiction books were circulated in 2024
- 29 children's fiction books were circulated in 2022
- 172 children's fiction books were circulated in 2023
- 178 children's fiction books were circulated in 2024
- 37 YA fiction book were circulated in 2022
- 49 YA fiction books were circulated in 2023
- 47 YA fiction books were circulated in 2024



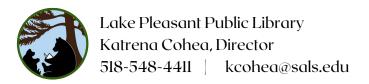
Programs

In July, we had the following events:

- Town of Lake Pleasant Board Meeting (July 1, 15)
- Author Talk with Chris Mele (July 2).....ATTENDANCE: 5
- Library BOT meeting (July 2)
- Story Time at Farmers Market (July 4).....ATTENDANCE: 7
- Family Reading Fort Night (July 8).....ATTENDANCE: 2
- Summer Reading Program (July 9, 10, 11)......TOTAL ATTENDANCE: 11
- WIC (July 10)
- The Quest for the Kakapo Performance (July 12)......ATTENDANCE: 4
- 3D Printing Program for Kids (July 13)......ATTENDANCE: 18
- Boating Course *tentative (July 15)......**ATTENDANCE: 18**
- Summer Reading Program (July 16, 17, 18).....TOTAL ATTENDANCE: 15
- Family Reading Fort Night (July 17)......ATTENDANCE: 7
- Marion Wilbur Memorial (July 19)
- Summer Reading Program (July 23, 24, 25).....TOTAL ATTENDANCE: 15
- S. Adk Audubon Society Turtle Program (July 24)......ATTENDANCE: 32
- Blind Date with a Book (July 26).....ATTENDANCE: 15
- Kid's Story Time with Ally the Dog (July 27)ATTENDANCE: 3
- Kid's Theater Performance: The Wizard of Oz (July 28) ATTENDANCE: 35
- Harry Potter Birthday Bash (July 31)ATTENDANCE: 36

In August, we have the following events planned:

- Summer Reading Program (Aug 1)
- Story Time at Farmers Market (Aug 1)
- Story Time & Craft at Waterfest (Aug 2)
- Family Reading Fort Night (Aug 2)
- Zoomobile @ Speculator Pavilion (Aug 3)
- Town BOT meeting (Aug 5)
- Summer Reading Program (Aug 6, 7, 8)
- Library BOT meeting (Aug 6)
- 15 Miles on the Sacandaga Canal Program (Aug 7)
- Family Reading Fort Night! (Aug 8)
- Story Time with Ally the Dog (Aug 9)
- Blind Date with a Book (Aug 9)
- Family Reading Fort Night (Aug 13)
- Summer Reading Program (Aug 13, 14, 15)
- Legends of Sacandaga Lake & The 3 Hotels (Aug 14)
- The 115th Anniversary of Fire Towers in the Adks (Aug 14)
- CCE: Black Bear in the Adirondacks (Aug 17)
- Town BOT meeting (Aug 19)
- Quack-a-Palooza (Aug 21)
- Making Comics Workshop (Aug 21)



- Adk Author Talk with Aurora Pfaff (Aug 23)
- Family Reading Fort Night (Aug 28)
- Blind Date with a Book (Aug 30)
- Graphic Novels are Life! Virtual program with Dan Santat (Aug 30)

Other Updates

July has been a busy, and exciting month for the library as we dove into the summer. Both our Summer Reading Bingo Challenge, and Summer Reading Program got underway at the beginning of the month, and have been gaining steam as July continues. Currently, we have 20 individuals who have completed a Bingo, and 59 participants came to Summer Reading Program during the month.

So far, while some summer programs and activities haven't had the attendance I'd hoped for (like the Family Reading Fort Nights, and the Quest for the Kakapo Performance), others were more successful. The 3D Printing program drew both local, and visitor kids and families, and had a great turnout of 18. Similarly, the. Boating Course drew a total of 18 individuals. We've also tried to make good use of our program materials, and entice people into the library by making "Grab & Go" bags, which have most of the materials kids need to do the craft that the Summer Reading Program participants have done each week. The materials, along with directions, and a recommended reading list, are all included in the bags. So far, we've given away every single bag we've made.

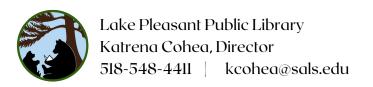
Program favorites this month were the 3D Print Your Name Keychain, Southern Adk Audubon Turtle Program, The Wizard of Oz, and our Harry Potter Birthday Bash. We received a nice letter from Bright Star Touring Co (who did The Wizard of Oz), along with a special, discounted offer for 2025 performances. A special thank you to our library volunteers (Gary, Chrissy, Lily, Michelle, and Caitlin), and board members (Nancy and Florence) for all their hard work and enthusiasm for our Harry Potter party.

At the end of July, we received LLSA grant money from SALS for \$1,493.00. We also received a generous donation from the Petraske Family for \$1,000 in July. Both checks have been deposited.

We received a letter from the Speculator Chamber with information on sponsorship for the Bear and Wine Festival, and the Holiday Stroll. I've attached the letter, and information here for the Board to review. Please let me know how you'd like me to respond, and move forward with this.

We had Beverly Fanning, a relative of Eileen Fanning in the library in July, and she noticed that the artwork that Eileen donated to the library wasn't hung in the spot where its plaque is. It's my understanding that the piece needs to be repaired before it is hung back up. I let Beverly know this, and she requested that if the piece can't be repaired, or used at the library, that it be returned to the family.

Thank you for your continued support, Katrena Cohea, Director



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