

Highlights 2015

Livingston Manor Free Library

Highlights of 2015 at the Livingston Manor Library were the result of the actions of many wonderful people who believe in the possibilities of a public library in a rural community.

Through the generosity of supporters, new carpet was installed in April. During that process a new configuration of the circulation desk and shelving evolved. As a result, visitors now enjoy living room-like seating for reading and gathering in a cozy area. While sitting, readers take pleasure in the nature photography brightening the walls and linking us to the beauty of the Catskills.

The library was able to offer a large number of children's programs this year thanks to the dedication of those who ran *Preschool Story Time*, *Books in Bloom*, *Farming Fun A to Z*, *Monday-Afternoon Book Club*, *Chess Club* and the multi-dimensional summer reading program. On July mornings, enthusiastic children piled in to the library and in the evenings, laughing adults had fun in our first-ever Spanish class.

The volunteer-run Livingston Manor Library's Labor Day Festival was another calendar highlight; a perfect day of local performers, children's activities, books and sunshine, enjoyed by a record-breaking crowd estimated at 1,200. The festival continues to provide the library with an opportunity to strengthen our network of wonderful people who nurture possibility, assisting in the growth of programs and services for the whole community.

See the following page for photos from 2015 children's programs.

