

# Livingston Manor Free Library

Director's Report May 8, 2023

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## April News

- The library received a Summer Reading Challenge Grant from Save the Children for the 60-Day Once Upon a Trout Reading Challenge.
- A donation of \$1,000 was received from The Seven Girls Fund to support a youth summer drama class.
- Debbie Johaneman won the library's National Library Week drawing for a gift card to Life Repurposed.
- Thanks go out to Pecks for a very successful National Library Week SUPLA fundraiser.
- The SUPLA-sponsored Sullivan County Poet Laureate Sharon Kennedy-Nolle ran a very successful Youth Poetry Festival at Bethel Woods, with 40 high school students from around the county reading original poems. Approximately 160 people attended.
- SUPLA's support of Sullivan libraries and their communities was recognized with a "Hummingbird Award" from Liberty Rotary Club.
- The two second-grade LMCS classes recently visited the library for storytime with Jess.
- Library patrons now have free access to Mango Languages and Tutor.com through the databases link on the library's website.
- The library catalog used by patrons will have a new look by the end of May as RCLS libraries transition from SirsiDynix's Enterprise catalog to Aspen Discovery.
- The Teen Battle of the Books Team held its second meeting. New members are welcome.

## Director's Recent Activities

- Attended meetings with Future Planning Task Force, the Budget and Finance Committee, the RCLS Director's Association, and SUPLA.
- Helped at the Youth Poetry Festival.
- Attended Construction Aid Workshop at RCLS headquarters.
- Held first meeting of Repair Café Organizing Committee.
- Attended webinars: Book Clubs, Summer Reading programs for youth, Aspen Discovery Catalog.
- Gave monthly Libby training (one person attended this month).

## Staff Training

- Nigel: Aspen Discovery Catalog customization, Mango Language app promotional resources
- Robin: new homework help application Tutor.com
- Theresa: Microsoft Excel
- Jess: NYLA Annual Youth Services Conference

## Trustees

- We are seeking volunteers with repair skills for a Repair Café in July
- Please consider volunteering for the library’s table at the Farmers Market, Sundays 5/28 through August, from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm.
- RCLS trainings available:

Session	Date	Time	Number of Credit Hours
<a href="#">102: Intermediate Library Trustee Education</a>	Tues, May 16	6:00-7:00 pm	1
<a href="#">Peer Review: Collection Development Policy Workshop</a>	Thurs, May 18	10:00-11:30 am	1.5
<a href="#">Trustee Training Tuesdays: Budgeting</a>	Tues, May 23	6:00-7:00 pm	1
<a href="#">Trustee Training Thursday: Board Governance</a>	Thurs, June 8	6:00-7:00 pm	1
<a href="#">Trustee Training Tuesdays: Social Media - Personal vs. Professional</a>	Tues, June 27	6:00-7:00 pm	1
<a href="#">Trustee Training Thursday: Open Meeting Law</a>	Thurs, Aug 10	6:00-7:00 pm	1
<a href="#">Trustee Training Tuesdays: Censorship</a>	Tues, Aug 15	6:00-7:00 pm	1
<a href="#">Trustee Training Tuesdays: Finance 101 - Trustee Responsibilities</a>	Tues, Sept 19	6:00-7:00 pm	1
<a href="#">Trustee Training Thursday: Library Compliance</a>	Thurs, Oct 12	6:00-7:00 pm	1
<a href="#">Trustee Training Tuesdays: Finance 102 - Investments</a>	Tues, Oct 24	6:00-7:00 pm	1
<a href="#">Basic Library Trustee Education 101</a>	Thurs, Nov 9	6:00-7:00 pm	1
<a href="#">Trustee Training Tuesdays: Advocacy</a>	Tues, Nov 14	6:00-7:00 pm	1

*A record of your attendance at all sessions hosted by RCLS will be maintained by the RCLS office. A summary of trustee attendance will be provided to each library director. Certificates will not be provided except upon request.*

*NOTE: Trustees are encouraged to track their own attendance for any education provided by a third-party (i.e., Mid-Hudson Library System, SENYLRC, Niche Academy, NYLA, ALA, etc.), and to notify their library's record keeper independently. RCLS does not maintain records for those programs.*

## One-time Programs

4/8 Egg coloring for kids with Jess, 9 participants

4/20 Jumpstart Your Garden with Diana Weiner, 7 participants

4/22 Sustainable Wool Art with Iris Gillingham, 7 participants

4/27 Book Talk with Ed and Judy Van Put, 17 participants

2022/23	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr
Library Visitors	369	354	400	385	462
Saturdays	42	53	80	42	72
Tuesday Storytime kids	5	4	4	2	3
Friday Music Storytime kids	N/A	8	8	15	9
Lego Club kids	15	6	12	2	4
Chess Club	N/A	3	6	10	6
Book Club	11	8	8	10	9
Craft Kits taken	27	25	23	11	4
Tech Assistance	0	3	6	8	2
Manor Ink		15 mentors	9 mentors	20 mentors	21 mentors
		25 students	26 students	44 students	33 students

This month's statistic to take note of is New User Registration!

Previous Month's Circulation			
	2021	2022	2023
January	418	356	365
February	392	423	342
March	494	380	396
April	401	402	342
May	351	468	
June	521	604	
July	678	605	
August	671	797	
September	512	450	
October	415	397	
November	361	377	
December	386	340	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>5600</b>	<b>5599</b>	

eBooks and eAudiobooks/Our Patrons			
	2021	2022	2023
January	176	120	139
February	146	111	123
March	115	123	191
April	127	118	166
May	128	136	
June	136	139	
July	80	124	
August	114	156	
September	109	143	
October	111	136	
November	94	118	
December	77	149	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1413</b>	<b>1573</b>	

New User Registration			
	2021	2022	2023
Jan-Adults	2	3	7
Kids	0	0	1
Feb-Adults	2	2	3
Kids	0	2	0
Mar-Adults	1	2	4
Kids	0	0	4
Apr-Adults	4	5	10
Kids	0	0	3
May-Adults	3	6	
Kids	0	0	
Jun-Adults	12	9	
Kids	3	3	
July-Adults	20	7	
Kids	2	3	
Aug-Adults	6	19	
Kids	1	3	
Sept-Adults	10	11	
Kids	0	12	
Oct-Adults	8	13	
Kids	0	2	
Nov-Adults	11	6	
Kids	1	0	
Dec-Adults	13	7	
Kids	0	3	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>99</b>	<b>118</b>	