

Mamakating Library Director's Report--draft

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News:

- A new nylon flag was raised on 11_22
- Liz Hrabowsky has generously decorated the outdoor planters for winter and trimmed the hydrangeas in the back of the library.
- Luke Miracle has donated a Blu-ray DVD player
- An anonymous donor has given the library blocks and puzzles for the children's room in response to our post on Facebook asking for building blocks and other manipulatives for young children
- We have switched our phone and Internet service from Spectrum to Frontier. The Internet speed has been inconsistent; we are working on improvements.

Programs:

- *Belly Button Healing*: 10 people
- *Opioid Overdose Prevention Training*: 13 people including 3 staff
- *Career Counseling Appointments* (NYS Adult Literacy Library Services/RCLS grant): 3 people
- *Going Natural for the Holidays*, sponsored by Friends of the Library: 17 people
- *Get It Done Series: Medicare 101*: 5 people
- *Toddler Time* will be meeting every Wednesday in December, rather than every other. We hope to be able to offer it weekly in the coming year.
- Regular programs: Classic Movie Series, Computer Classes (Basic and Intermediate), Chess Club (2x/week), Needlework Club, Fiction and Foodies, Afternoon Book Club, Toddler Time, PreSchool Storytime

Director's Recent Activities:

- Attended planning meeting for RCLS 2018 Battle of the Books
- Attended one day of New York Library Association Conference. Joy Patton attended, as well.
- Represented RCLS Directors Association at RCLS Board meeting 11/20
- Worked with Sullivan County librarians to finalize bylaws for Sullivan Public Library Alliance
- Chaired RCLS Directors Association Continuing Education Committee meeting
- Attended DVAA seminar and completed two grant applications to DVAA Arts for Sullivan
- Visited Neversink Town Historian with Patti Andersen to gather photos for D&H Canal exhibit.

Upcoming Events to Note:

- Share your original poetry at the Poetry Share with the Poets Laureate on 12/7 at 4:30!
- Karaoke and Cocoa 12/8 at 6:30
- Classic movie trivia on 12/15 at 1:00 followed by showing of *It's a Wonderful Life* in color
- 3D printing opportunities throughout the month

Monthly Statistics			
Item Circulation			
	2015	2016	2017
January	2554	2110	2206
February	2247	2134	1973
March	2631	2548	2414
April	2506	2421	2331
May	2431	2624	2121
June	2737	2802	2539
July	3354	3120	3150
August	2927	3202	2941
September	2357	2368	2440
October	2089	2352	2166
November	2018	2276	2214
December	2068	1866	
TOTAL to date	23,050	23,713	
New Users			
	2015	2016	2017
January	32	15	29
February	30	19	16
March	26	35	12
April	14	10	28
May	23	30	24
June	23	37	24
July	44	27	34
August	44	44	28
September	36	18	26
October	17	12	28
November	13	18	28
December	6	11	
TOTAL	240	231	