

Mamakating Library Director's Report
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News:

- Neversink Town Historian Carol Smythe and the Time and the Valleys Museum have donated two local history booklets to the library, *Then and Now in the Town of Mamakating* (1970) and *Wurtsboro and Mamakating Park* (undated), and scanned canal-era photos for our upcoming exhibit.
- Jolynn Dunn has also provided us with scans of Mamakating area D&H Canal photos.
- Friends of the Garden - Sullivan County have offered to do the spring garden clean.
- Our propane company Heritage Energy has merged with Paraco.
- We now have over 450 people on our email list. Everyone on this list receives our monthly newsletter and often a mid-month update.
- We have received a \$500 grant from Stewarts Shops to support a summer reading program field trip.
- We received \$500 from the Delaware Valley Arts Alliance through their Decentralization grant program for summer arts programs by Roberta Rosenthal.
- The Friends of the Library have approved the purchase of two new chairs for the new children's computer table.
- Joy Patton has been presenting Upcoming Programs at the Library to the Mamakating Seniors once a month (averaging 45 people)

Programs:

- Living Healthy, Living Well (we cosponsored this 5-week class offered by Cornell Cooperative Extension), 9-17 people per week have attended
- Author Jordan Brown's science demonstrations, 28 people
- Ceramics with Patti Andersen, 2 classes, 8 people each
- Maya van Rossum, Delaware Riverkeeper, cosponsored by BKAA and GMart, 22 people
- Joy Patton and Katie Patchell's Ireland Travelogue, 16 people
- First Amendment Challenges, NY Civil Liberties Union, 9 people
- No Digging, No Tilling, No Kidding (sponsored by FOML), 10 people
- Making the Cloud Work for You, 7 people
- Regular programs: Classic Movie Series, Computer Classes (Basic and Intermediate), Chess Club, Needlework Club, Fiction and Foodies, Afternoon Book Club, Teen Advisory Board, Battle of the Books Team meetings, Toddler Time, PreSchool Storytime

Director's Recent Activities:

- Researched and purchased a new color printer for public use (funded by FOML)
- Completed Workers' Comp audit
- Attended Village of Wurtsboro Board meeting
- Worked with Susannah Devine to make some revisions to the library website
- Met with Long Range Plan, Canal Exhibit committees, FOML, Teen Advisory Board, and Battle of the Books Team
- Helped at the circulation desk and Toddler Time to cover for staff on vacation
- Worked on repairing public computer #5
- Applied for Heritage Grant from DVAA

Upcoming Events to Note:

- Repair Café and John Platt Guitar Raffle Kick-off, Saturday, April 28

Monthly Statistics

Item Circulation				
	2015	2016	2017	2018
January	2554	2110	2206	2231
February	2247	2134	1973	1956
March	2631	2548	2414	2225
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	1704	
TOTAL	29,919	29,823	28,199	

New Users				
	2015	2016	2017	2018
January	32	15	29	14
February	30	19	16	18
March	26	35	12	22
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	28	
TOTAL	308	276	305	