

Director’s Report: June 11, 2024

Circulation Statistics:

Month	Circs		ILL					Hot Spots	# of Patrons	Served					
	Libby	Hoopla/Kanopy	req/lend	Books	Mags	DVD	CDs	& Things	TOV	TOT	CT	WT	Gal	Brid	Flex
05/24	166	125/88	37/42	697	70	155	8	18	53	29	29	12	6	0	4
04/24	183	131/85	48/51	599	66	140	10	18	43	30	23	9	2	0	4
03/24	194	145/117	35/46	718	102	243	14	31	52	28	28	13	5	0	10
02/24	149	126/97	33/34	736	60	211	16	22	50	39	22	14	4	0	5
01/24	214	116/98	48/47	800	52	207	2	20	53	28	23	13	4	0	6
12/23	181	115/114	38/35	770	75	267	6	20	50	37	29	18	4	0	5
11/23	159	127/114	28/34	820	73	260	12	34	61	44	26	16	6	0	4
10/23	181	108/28	36/34	907	90	259	11	28	51	35	30	17	4	0	10
09/23	162	114/25	28/30	965	58	216	7	23	47	32	29	17	3	0	11
08/23	150	109/42	41/48	881	114	236	24	30	56	36	36	17	6	0	6
07/23	150	99/28	39/42	884	51	240	21	19	48	39	41	9	0	0	7
06/23	172	95/32	34/28	778	70	243	24	18	59	37	34	15	0	0	5
05/23	153	104/32	34/38	681	81	204	25	17	47	28	26	18	3	0	7
05/24 new	acct								4	4	3	2	7		

Computer Usage Statistics:		
Month:	Users:	Sessions:
05/24	55	92
04/24	51	86
03/24	64	111
02/24	83	41
01/24	48	91
12/23	41	70
11/23	47	78
10/23	56	96
09/23	37	64
08/23	74	130
07/23	68	108
06/23	67	114
05/23	63	92
04/23	71	136

Wireless Usage Statistics:	
Month:	Users:
05/24	64
04/24	80
03/24	74
02/24	61
01/24	46
12/23	62
11/23	82
10/23	75
09/23	89
08/23	111
07/23	101
06/23	104
05/23	89

New materials added in May 2024: 24 DVD titles, 37 magazines, 69 books.

Upcoming Events:

- Every Tuesday: Story Time, 10:30 – 11:00
- Every Tuesday: Drop-In Play Doh Play Date, 11:00 – 12:00 noon.
- Every Wednesday: Knitting and Crocheting Circle, 10:30 – 11:30. Individuals of all skill levels are invited to bring their projects.
- Every Thursday: Lego Club @ the Library all day. Projects will stay on display for one week.
- Every Thursday: Adult Drop-In Color Me Happy Hour, 1:00 – 2:00.
- Every Thursday: Story Time, 4:30 – 5:00.
- Tuesday, May 28 – Labor Day: Summer Reading for 18+ adults: Pick up your Bingo card and start reading!
- June 1-15: Adventure Begins at Your Library Summer Reading Registration for children of all ages.
- June 17: Adventure Begins at Your Library Summer Reading for all children begins! Pick up your Bridging Book and Reading Road Trip Log at the library.
- Tuesday, June 18: Adventure Begins at Your Library Summer Reading Event - Melty Beads. Come to the library between 11-1 to create Perler Bead Art.
- Tuesday, June 25: Adventure Begins at Your Library - Camping. Come to the library between 11-1 to make a s’more, a camping craft, and have some camping fun.

- Tuesday, July 2: Adventure Begins at Your Library – Dinosaur Day. Come to the library between 11-1 to dig up some dinosaur bones and do a dinosaur craft.
- Tuesday, July 9, 12:00 noon: The Sarett Nature Center Visiting Naturalist will present a program with live animals.
- Tuesday, July 16, Summer Reading Begins at Your Library – Summer Bingo. Come to the library between 11-1 to play some Summer Bingo.
- Tuesday, July 23, 12:00 noon: The Critchlow Alligator Sanctuary will present a program with live animals, including a live alligator!
- Tuesday, July 30, Summer Reading Begins at Your Library – Outdoor Art. Come to the library between 11-1 ready to make some art outside (if it rains, we'll be inside).
- Tuesday, August 6, Summer Reading Begins at Your Library – Stuffed Animal Sleepover. Wear your pajamas and bring your stuffed friend to the library between 11-1 for stories and activities. Pick up your stuffed friend the next day.
- Tuesday, August 13, Summer Reading Begins at Your Library – Summer Reading Big Finish Party. Come to the library between 11-1 to celebrate the end of Summer Reading with Snow Cones.

Summer Reading for children officially starts on Monday, June 17. This year's theme is Adventure Begins at Your Library. We are doing a Summer Reading Road Trip map and Bridging Books. The prizes are in the display case and in the center of the library.

I had our dedicated fax line and the director's direct phone line both disconnected. Messages can just be taken for me and the fax can be plugged into the main phone line. This will save about \$100 per month.

We continue to have over 30% of our weekly emailed newsletters opened.

I will be serving our Southwest Michigan Libraries Co-Op Board starting in August for three years.

I would like to apply to attend Conversation Camp for Library Leaders. The application is a competitive process so not all applications will be accepted. The program will be delivered in-person from September 4, 2024 to September 5, 2024 at the Library of Michigan in Lansing. I need my board's approval to apply.

I'm still working to figure out a way for all three of us library staff to attend the MLA Annual Conference in Traverse City, October 15-18.

We have had some sickness on the library staff so I have been spending much more time at the circulation desk – which I really love - but it means I get less "director stuff" done.