

PERRY PUBLIC LIBRARY

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May 2023- Library Director's Report

CIRCULATION	May 2023	YTD May 31	April 2023	YTD Apr. 30
2023	2,365	9,552	2,065	7,187
2022	2,119	9,228	2,021	7,109
2021	1,745	8,703	1,751	6,958
PLS LOANS SENT	May 2023	YTD May 31	April 2023	YTD Apr. 30
2023	370	1,934	387	1,564
2022	362	2,028	414	1,666
2021	307	1,620	293	1,313
OWWL2Go Stats	May 2023	YTD May 31	April 2023	YTD Apr. 30
2023	393	2,149	433	1,756
2022	411	2,131	414	1,720
2021	402	1,965	307	1,563

*May Stats will be updated for the June meeting.

Programs:

5/6-Tucker True: Trip along the Appalachian Trail. 17 attendees

5/24- Book Discussion Group: *The Pioneers*, by David McCullough. 5 attendees

Upcoming Events:

Summer Reading Kickoff-Adults too!

Wed. June 28th @7pm- Book Discussion: *The Madness of Crowds* by Louise Penny.

Adult Art/Craft Nights (18+)! Fall Into Art programs—Grant through ACWC

Sat. Aug. 5th @ 10-12- Felting Landscapes w/ Jo Konvinse;

Wed. Sept. 20th @ 6pm- Glass Fusion w/Jill Rossborough;

Wed. Oct. 18th @ 6pm-Copper Enamel Jewelry w/ Pam Hill.

We have had a few inquiries about offering Tech classes again. I am planning to offer them in the fall, but am taking contact information & topics to cover now.

Meetings:

5/8- PCSD Budget Hearing, 5/17- Clerk Interviews, 5/24-Perry Library Budget Hearing, 5/25-Perry DRI meeting

The open call for DRI projects should be opening in the next few weeks and will be open until sometime in July. They have not yet finalized the official application. The next meeting is June 28th and there will also be a public meeting on June 29th.

Outreach

5/11-Senior Congregate Meal Site, 5/20-Partners for Prevention Spring Info Fair

I spoke with approximately 40 senior citizens at the new Congregate Meal Site at Breezeway Barns, requested program ideas that they may like to see the library host, and handed out information & drug deactivation packs. I also saw about 20 people at the Partners for Prevention Fair in Warsaw and handed out more drug deactivation packs, summer reading & program information, and made some great connections with other community organizations.

Continuing Education

5/3-Quickbooks for Nonprofits, 5/9-It's Okay to Be Just a Library, 5/16-Wyoming County Civil Service Leadership & HR training, Planned-5/31 Aspen Administration Training

Aspen training will be virtual and will teach us how to customize our landing page for the library catalog. We will be able to promote events, create book lists, and more.

Facilities

The door switch was repaired. We are still waiting to hear about exact schedule for roof & ramp projects for this year. I am working on finding someone to repair the downstairs bathroom.

Laura (gardener) has been hampered by the cold weather, but was working on getting some new plantings around the library to fill in spots in the garden beds.

Miscellaneous:

We hired two new staff members: Matthew Clark (Matt) & Catherine Huff (Cathy).

I replied to 6 reference requests.

I used 4.25 hours of PTO for May.

I confirmed the Perry Public Library is not eligible for the Employee Retention Tax Credit due to our designation as a school district library. This was a temporary credit during COVID for businesses that kept paying employees during shutdowns or hour reductions that reduced the amount they owed for employer taxes on payroll.