

PERRY PUBLIC LIBRARY

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November 2025- Library Director's Report

CIRC	Nov. 2025	YTD Nov. 30	Oct. 2025	YTD Oct. 31
2025	2,212	24,445	2,572	22,233
2024	1,835	24,417	2,141	22,582
2023	2,066	22,901	2,009	20,835
LOANS SENT	Nov. 2025	YTD Nov. 30	Oct. 2025	YTD Oct. 31
2025	441	5,206	498	4,765
2024	442	5,832	572	5,390
2023	414	4,440	442	4,026
Libby Stats	Nov. 2025	YTD Nov. 30	Oct. 2025	YTD Oct. 31
2025	603	7,402	637	6,799
2024	660	7,375	753	6,715
2023	451	5,133	551	4,682

Programs:

Thurs., November 6th @ 11am: HSEAD Putz Houses- 10 attendees

Wed., November 26th @7pm: The Berry Pickers by Amanda Peters-5 attendees

Upcoming:

Thursday, December 4th, 3-6 pm- Meet the Navigator, drop in welcome

Saturday, December 13th, 10 am- Ruth Clancy Author Visit & Signing

Thursday, December 18th 2pm & 6pm- Disaster Planning workshop with NYS

Wednesday, December 24th-Library Closed

Thursday, December 25th- Library Closed

Wednesday, December 31st- Closing early at 5pm.

Thursday, January 1st- Library Closed

Meetings:

11/12-OWWL System Board Meeting & OWWL Awards, 11/13-Wyoming County

Comprehensive Plan Open House, 11/14-OWWL Director's Advisory Council @Perry,

11/20-Budget Committee, 11/24-Development & Policy Committee

I received the Headscratcher Award for my interesting questions and creative problem-solving.

Financial:

11/17-Tompkins Financial Advisors,

I met with a representative from Tompkins to discuss if there were any other options than CDs that would earn us more money on our money. We reviewed treasury options; however, due to the service charges, this option is only viable if CD rates decrease significantly. Will monitor rates once we receive our School District Check.

I have submitted the request for funds to the School District.

Building:

Bottom of the exterior front doors repair is complete. We also needed a service call on the exterior door's automatic mechanism as the spring was old & stretched.

The annual fire extinguisher inspection was completed and the last extinguisher was replaced. All 3 of the old extinguishers were donated to the Perry FD for training purposes.

Received a second estimate on junk removal for \$431 vs starting at \$574, so went ahead and had them remove the piano, old shelving units, 2 dehumidifiers. It took 2 hours for the piano.

After the discussion at the November Board Meeting, I reached out to a contractor and was advised that our budget for the elevator and addition should be in the \$825,000 range. With this information, I reached out to Sam at Department of State, as there may still be DRI funds available. She advised about another grant opportunity we could apply for, called the Community Development Block Grant. The catch is that the Village of Perry would need to apply on the library's behalf. I have begun working on the application and have been in contact with Sam at the village. We are both waiting to hear more from the Office of Homes and Community Renewal that is in charge of the program.

I also asked if the library and village could consider partnering on Health Insurance, as I am the only employee currently interested and we are unable to secure a plan for that.

Continuing Education:

11/18-Adaptive Leadership Session, 11/19-Engagement Beat Promotion Webinar

Miscellaneous:

I used 10.75 hours PTO.

I answered 3 reference questions.