

PERRY PUBLIC LIBRARY

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February 2026- Library Director's Report

CIRC	Feb. 2026	YTD Feb. 28	Jan. 2026
2026	1,670	3,696	2,026
2025	1,764	3,664	1,900
2024	2,152	4,203	2,051
LOANS SENT	Feb. 2026	YTD Feb. 28	Jan. 2026
2026	556	1,125	569
2025	442	911	469
2024	486	998	512
Libby Stats	Feb. 2026	YTD Feb. 28	Jan. 2026
2026	637	1,354	717
2025	693	1,435	742
2024	647	1,356	709

Programs:

Tuesday, February 3rd @ 12 noon- Wyoming County Comprehensive Plan- 2 attendees

Thursday, February 5th @ 5:30pm- Wyoming County Comprehensive Plan- 3 attendees

Thursday, February 19th @ 2-5- Meet with the Navigator- 0 attendees

Wednesday, February 25th @ 7pm-Book Discussion: The Frozen River - 7 attendees

Thursday, February 26th @ 6pm- AV Discussion Club- 5 attendees

Upcoming:

Wednesday, March 18th @ 2-4: Meet with the Navigator

Thursday, March 19th @ 6pm- AV Discussion Club

Wednesday, March 25th @ 7pm-Book Discussion: The Wedding People by Alison Espach

Wednesday, April 1st @ 11am-8pm: Library Book Discard Sale

Thursday, April 2nd @ 11am-8pm: Library Book Bag Sale, bring a bag

Meetings:

2/19-Board meeting, 2/11-Lisa Kowasz: Vote, 2/19-Budget & Building Committee, 2/27-Policy Committee

Financial:

I submitted the AFR and heard from the state that it has been reviewed and closed for the year.

Building:

2/6-Radiator possibly leaking, 2/12-2nd contractor came for quote, 2/13-3rd contractor came for quote, don't to steam.

Due to the power and internet outage on Saturday, February 28th, we did close at 10:30.

Continuing Education:

2/11-Director's Q&A with Ron, 2/12-Carnegie Libraries

Miscellaneous:

No updates from DLD regarding annual reports, deadline is still April 1st.

Ron and I collaborated on a Bylaw re-write.

Two additional grant opportunities are available: one from the Association for Rural and Small Libraries specifically for Carnegie Libraries around Adult & Basic Literacy and one from Rochester Regional Library Council through Ralph C Wilson for a variety of focus areas. I am working with staff to assess whether any current efforts match with grant guidelines and if we have the capacity to add additional programs to current staff workloads.

I answered 5 reference questions.