

Dennis P. McHugh Piermont Public Library
Director's Report
June 11, 2025

General Library Updates

The Library participated in Piermont's Memorial Day Parade with a brand-new banner featuring the library's logo. Sara Tucker, Shauna Wennerod, Kelly Evans, Anne O'Brien, Tina Roeder, and Alexis Starke all marched on behalf of the Library. We are in the process of finding a location in the library to display our new banner on a semi-permanent basis.

RCLS has announced 100% participation from all member libraries in the 2025 Road Trip initiative. Staff will be trained this month on the process. Patrons will receive a travel log to visit RCLS libraries and receive stamps from each library they visit. Patrons receive a raffle ticket for each visit, and a bonus ticket for every 5th library they visit. Prizes awarded at the conclusion will be consistent across RCLS and will involve systemwide drawings for prizes. The goal of this initiative is to increase visits and circulation for RCLS libraries.

Programming

Adults

The Library began offering formal Beginner Mah Jongg classes with Linda Gottlieb starting at the beginning of May and running through mid-June, to complement the multiple independent Mah Jongg social groups that utilize the library's community space. Feedback has been positive, with requests for additional classes down the line. Plans are in place to offer Beginner Canasta in the summer with Linda as well.

12 attendees sought Zen with chair Yoga taught by Rochelle Spooner on May 15.

Patrons enjoyed artwork from Eesha Rowedder in the gallery all month.

The Adult Book Club reported it's highest turnout ever with 13 attendees.

Young Adults

The Teen Film Festival, an annual collaboration among the library, the Michael J. Armstrong Foundation, and the film studies program at Tappan High School, drew 15 contestants this year. Alex Tretiak represented the library as one of the judges. The 66 audience members enjoyed refreshments while viewing films that ranged from deeply personal to wildly comedic. Monetary prizes provided by the Michael J. Armstrong Foundation were excitedly received by the three winners, and the Library presented certificates of accomplishment for the winners. This year also featured a prior winner as a member of the judges panel for

the first time, which we aspire to continue in future years to further bolster the sense of annual tradition and community spirit inherent to this program.

The library's teen advisory group, YAK (Youth Advisory Klub), had three attendees this month, who met with both Ms. Nancy and the Library Director. Tentative plans for a teen summer reading program were discussed, along with ideas for further developing teen programming offerings.

Children

Children's programming attendance remains steady and consistent, with art classes continuing to fill up into wait lists. Weather concerns unfortunately prompted a cancellation of a local author visit, though we have plans in place with the author to reschedule for a summer reading event instead. Ms. Nancy has started developing the plans for the children's summer reading program, which will kick off in July.

Technology

The library seeks to upgrade four staff computers and four public computers to up-to-date hardware and software with Frontline, as well as a managed service contract to ensure security and longevity of our technology. We are also exploring options for a dedicated server to better protect library files, as well as enhanced reservation/printing capabilities.

The library's Microsoft Office suite software was reinstated on all staff computers.

Staffing

Civil service was in receipt of a finalized certification of eligibles for the permanent LFT position. Dylan Clarke's status has been reported to civil service as a transition from provisional Clerk LFT to permanent Clerk LFT.

Staff will be in receipt of a finalized routine staff schedule this month.

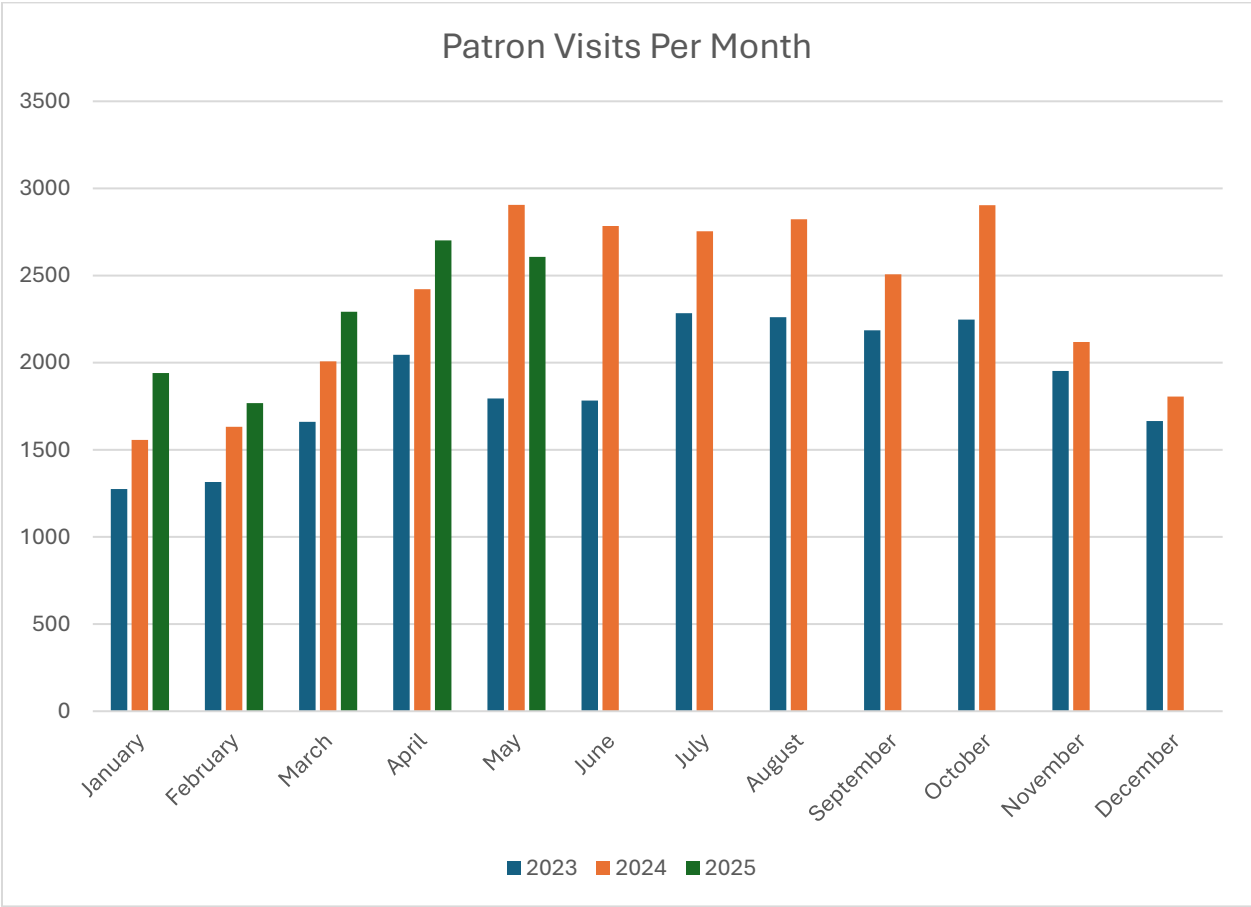
Collections

We relocated library merchandise to expand shelving for New Books. The New collection is being heavily weeded to provide space for new arrivals.

We have resumed purchasing of New DVDs and have created a display space for new releases.

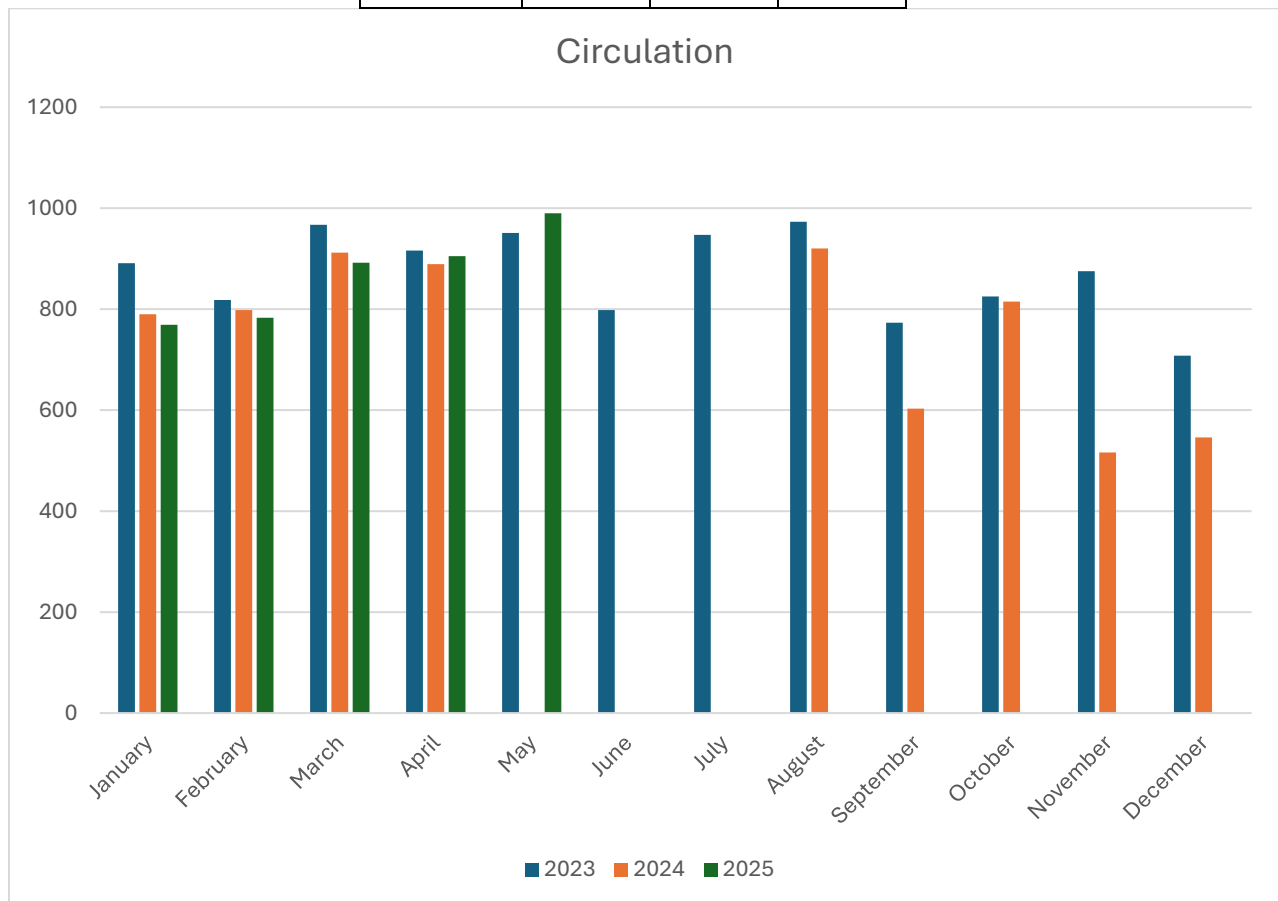
Patron Visits- May 2025

Month	2023	2024	2025
January	1275	1557	1941
February	1315	1632	1768
March	1661	2008	2292
April	2045	2422	2702
May	1795	2906	2607
June	1783	2784	0
July	2284	2754	0
August	2261	2823	0
September	2186	2507	0
October	2247	2904	0
November	1953	2119	0
December	1665	1806	0



Circulation- May 2025

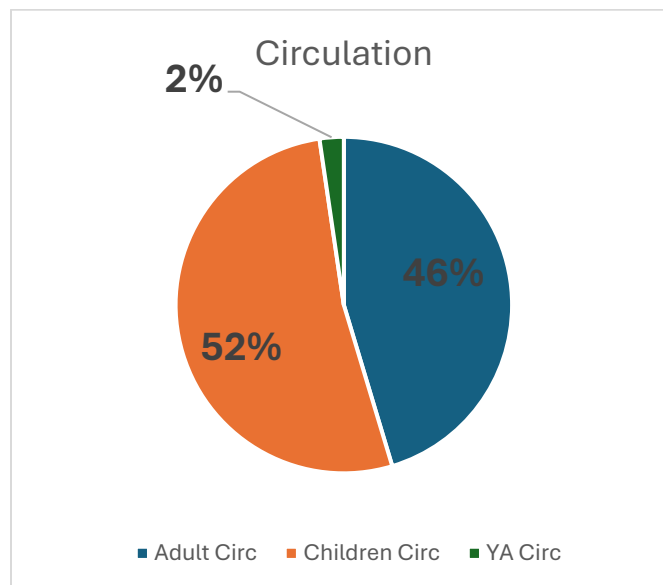
Month	2023	2024	2025
<i>January</i>	891	790	769
<i>February</i>	818	798	783
<i>March</i>	967	912	892
<i>April</i>	916	889	905
<i>May</i>	951	NA*	990
<i>June</i>	798	NA*	0
<i>July</i>	947	NA*	0
<i>August</i>	973	920	0
<i>September</i>	773	603	0
<i>October</i>	825	815	0
<i>November</i>	875	516	0
<i>December</i>	708	546	0



***ILS transition- data currently unavailable**

Circulation by Item Type and Collection- May 2025

Books					
Adult Fiction	206	Children Fiction	129	YA Fiction	16
Adult Nonfiction	140	Children Nonfiction	71	YA NF	5
Adult Biography	18	Children Biography	44	YA Graphic	2
Large Print	9	Children Picture	124		
Local Authors	4	Children Board Book	19		
		Children Easy Reader	48		
		Children Graphic	51		
Total Adult Books	377	Total Children Books	486	Total YA Books	23
Media/Misc					
Adult DVD	57	Children DVD	31		
Adult Audio	6	Children Audio	1		
Adult Music	3				
Museum Pass	6				
Total Adult Media	72	Total Children Media	32	Total YA Media	0
Total Circulation					
Total Adult Circ	449	Total Children Circ	518	Total YA Circ	23
TOTAL MAY CIRCULATION	990				

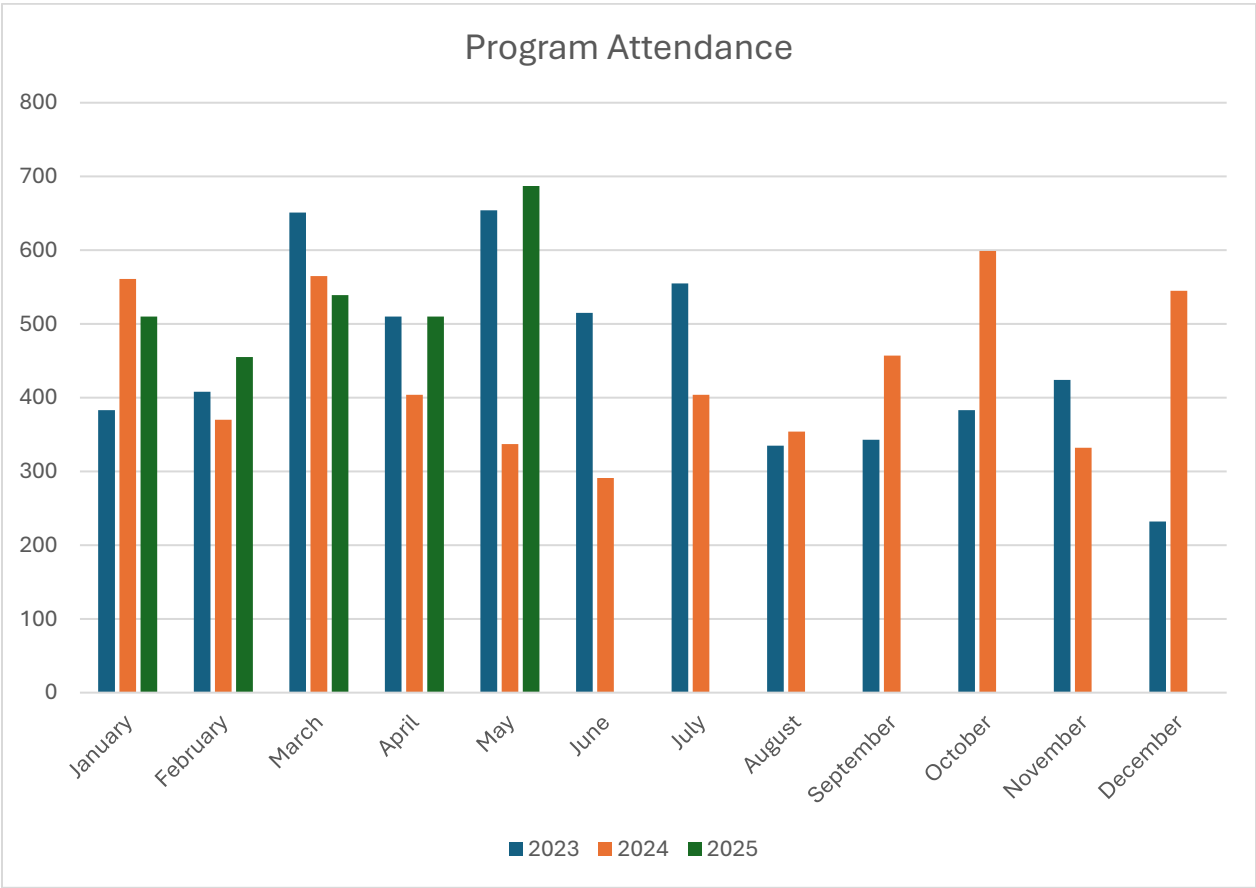


Digital Circulation- May 2025

Statistics for Digital Checkouts													
<u>Libby:</u>	2024								2025				
	May	Jun	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May
E-books	198	192	245	186	186	163	183	149	190	161	177	186	202
Audiobooks	243	274	235	245	225	254	220	240	228	207	224	207	198
Magazines	77	53	72	67	75	70	90	95	112	100	99	105	108
<u>Hoopla:</u>	2024								2025				
	May	Jun	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May
E-books	15	15	21	24	24	18	24	21	21	23	21	22	25
Audiobooks	52	52	46	46	39	39	47	42	47	55	55	54	68
Movies + TV	7	8	3	4	12	3	6	12	15	11	7	6	6
Music	0	3	0	1	1	0	0	2	2	0	0	0	1

Program Attendance- May 2025

January	383	561	510
February	408	370	455
March	651	565	539
April	510	404	510
May	654	337	693
June	515	291	0
July	555	404	0
August	335	354	0
September	343	457	0
October	383	599	0
November	424	332	0
December	232	545	0



May Programs

	TIME	PROGRAM/EVENT	TYPE	AGE	ATTENDANCE	NOTES
M 5/19	11-11:30am	Storytime	On-site	0-5	27	
W 5/21, 5/28	2:00-2:45pm	Talking to Twos	On-site	0-5	10	
W 5/21	5:00-6:00pm	Dog Storytime with Luna	On-site	0-5	0	cancelled
W 5/21, 5/28	3-4pm	Fun for 3s and 4s	On-site	0-5	10+10=20	
M 5/5, 5/12, 5/19	5:30-6:15pm	Art Class w/ Alexis	On-site	6-11	13+9+5= 27	Waitlist
W 5/7, 5/14, 5/21, 5/28	5:30-6:30pm	Art Class w/ Alexis	On-site	6-11	11+12+12+12= 47	Waitlist
TH 5/22	4-6:30pm	Author Visit- Cristy DePinto	On-site	6-11	0	cancelled
TU 5/6, 5/13, 5/20, 5/27	5:30-6:30pm	Art Class w/ Alexis	On-site	12-18	10+12+12+9=43	Waitlist
M 5/19	5-6pm	YAK	On-site	12-18	3	Alex joining
Th 5/29	6-8pm	Teen Film Festival	On-site	12-18	66	
W 5/14	10:30-11:30am	Chair Yoga with Rochelle	On-site	19+	12	15 reg
W 5/21	3-4pm	Adult Book Club	On-site	19+	13	
F 5/2, 5/9, 5/16, 5/30	6-7pm	Beginner Mah Jongg	On-site	gen int	10+3+5+5= 23	
Sat 5/3	11am-3pm	Spring Craft Fair	On-site	gen int	253	17 vendors
SU 5/4	3-5pm	Art Show of the Month	On-site	gen int	61	Eeshah
TH 5/22	6:30-7:30pm	Family Bingo	On-site	gen int	3	6 registered
				TOTAL	608	
Non-Library Sponsored Programs/Events/Meetings						
M 5/5, 5/12, 5/19	1-3pm	Canasta	On-site	19+	10+12+8=30	
W 5/7, 5/14, 5/21, 5/28	12:30-4pm	Canasta	On-site	19+	4+4+4+4=12	
TH 5/1,5/8,5/15,5/22,5/29	1-3pm	Mahjong	On-site	19+	9+11+8+9+6=43	
				TOTAL	85	
				TOTAL	693	
		OTHER SERVICES				
		Reference Questions	174			
		Library PC Use	66			
		WiFi Use	161			

June Programs

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