# Dennis P. McHugh Piermont Public Library Director's Report November 12, 2025

#### **General Library Updates**

We started collecting book donations from the general public on October 20 for a Book Sale that will kick off on Sunday, November 9 at 10am and continue for one week. We have been receiving a very nice amount of donations for our sale so far!

#### **Programming**

We submitted an application for a grant for program support from the M&T Bank Charitable Foundation. Our application seeks a renewal for two of our existing museum passes, along with introducing lendable exploration kits (birdwatching, stargazing, and insect exploration).

#### Adults

Friday afternoon movies continued throughout the month, with our best turnout being "Hamilton" with 13 attendees. We screened Abbott and Costello movies during the last week of the month and hosted a movie marathon of the classic Universal monsters all day on October 31.

Our art gallery this month was "Our River, My Muse" by Julie Cahn, a beautiful collection of pieces focused on local scenes and nature. We had a large turnout of 82 for the reception.

This month's book club selection was *By Her Own Design* by Piper Huguley, which drew ten attendees. We have started ordering book club selections in advance so that readers can pick up the next book's selection at the conclusion of every meeting.

We offered two technology classes on how to download eBooks and audiobooks through the library with Libby. We had ten attendees between the two sessions and we intend to offer new technology classes every month.

#### Children

We have been offering our regular storytime programs and art classes. Ms. Nancy also brought back Doggie Storytime with Luna, which brought in 8 readers this month. We are attempting to build up regular attendance for the two children's book clubs, Book Adventures and She Persisted.

#### **Building**

Our front porch lights, which shorted out during the summer, were repaired and replaced by Romeo Electric and have been working properly since.

The library closed early at 3:45pm on Thursday, October 30 due to heavy flooding in the library parking lot and on surrounding roads.

We received a quote for snow removal services from Christopher Meredith Inc for \$4,450.

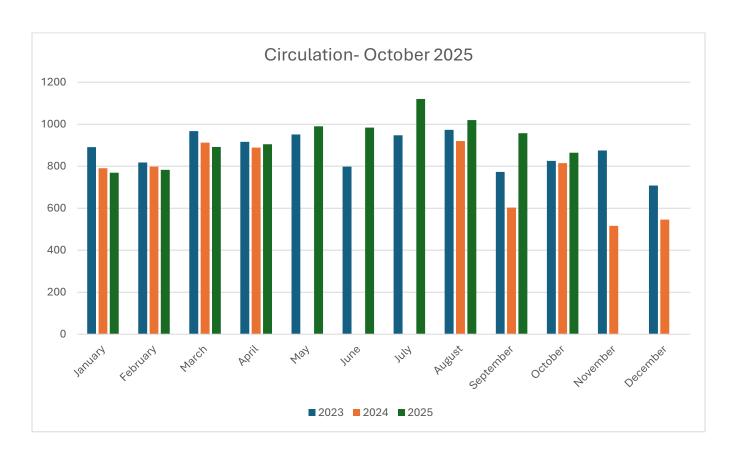
#### **Patron Visits- October 2025**

| 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 | 2482 |
| July      | 2284 | 2754 | 2944 |
| August    | 2261 | 2823 | 2921 |
| September | 2186 | 2507 | 2625 |
| October   | 2247 | 2904 | 2380 |
| November  | 1953 | 2119 | 0    |
| December  | 1665 | 1806 | 0    |



### **Circulation- October 2025**

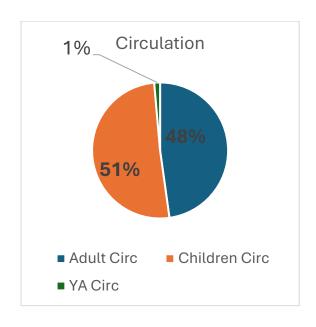
| Month     | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 |
|-----------|------|------|------|
| January   | 891  | 790  | 769  |
| February  | 818  | 798  | 783  |
| March     | 967  | 912  | 892  |
| April     | 916  | 889  | 905  |
| May       | 951  | NA   | 990  |
| June      | 798  | NA   | 984  |
| July      | 947  | NA   | 1120 |
| August    | 973  | 920  | 1020 |
| September | 773  | 603  | 957  |
| October   | 825  | 815  | 864  |
| November  | 875  | 516  | 0    |
| December  | 708  | 546  | 0    |



<sup>\*</sup>ILS transition- data currently unavailable

## **Circulation by Item Type and Collection- October 2025**

| Books                     |     |                      |     |                |    |  |  |  |
|---------------------------|-----|----------------------|-----|----------------|----|--|--|--|
| Adult Fiction             | 204 | Children Fiction     | 116 | YA Fiction     | 10 |  |  |  |
| Adult Nonfiction          | 67  | Children Nonfiction  | 36  | YA NF          | 0  |  |  |  |
| Adult Biography           | 14  | Children Biography   | 10  | YA Graphic     | 2  |  |  |  |
| Large Print               | 14  | Children Picture     | 158 | Manga          | 0  |  |  |  |
| Local Authors             | 2   | Children Board Book  | 45  | YA Biography   | 0  |  |  |  |
| Adult WL                  | 0   | Children Easy Reader | 37  |                |    |  |  |  |
| Periodical                | 0   | Children Graphic     | 29  |                |    |  |  |  |
| Adult Graphic             | 0   | Children WL          | 1   |                |    |  |  |  |
| Games/Puzzles             | 4   |                      |     |                |    |  |  |  |
| Total Adult Books         | 305 | Total Children Books | 432 | Total YA Books | 12 |  |  |  |
|                           |     | Media/Misc           |     |                |    |  |  |  |
| Adult DVD                 | 69  | Children DVD         | 7   |                |    |  |  |  |
| Adult Audio               | 1   | Children Audio       | 0   |                |    |  |  |  |
| Adult Music               | 34  |                      |     |                |    |  |  |  |
| Museum Pass               | 4   |                      |     |                |    |  |  |  |
| Total Adult Media         | 108 | Total Children Media | 7   | Total YA Media | 0  |  |  |  |
| Total Circulation         |     |                      |     |                |    |  |  |  |
| Total Adult Circ          | 413 | Total Children Circ  | 439 | Total YA Circ  | 12 |  |  |  |
|                           |     |                      |     |                |    |  |  |  |
| TOTAL OCTOBER CIRCULATION | 864 |                      |     |                |    |  |  |  |

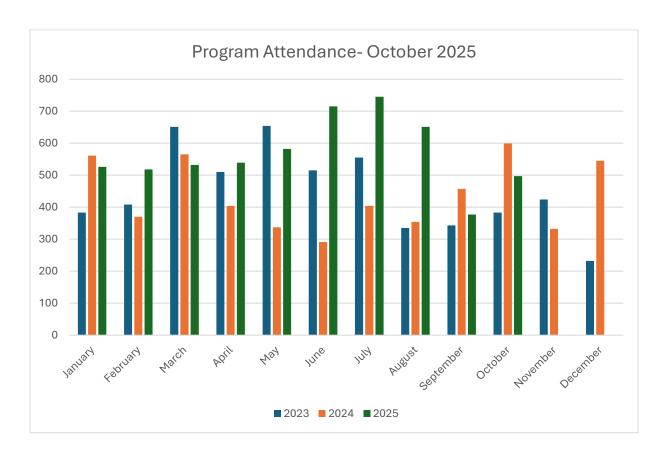


## **Digital Circulation- October 2025**

| Statistics for Digital Checkouts |      |     |     |     |      |     |      |     |     |      |     |      |     |
|----------------------------------|------|-----|-----|-----|------|-----|------|-----|-----|------|-----|------|-----|
| <u>Libby:</u>                    | 2024 |     |     |     | 2025 |     |      |     |     |      |     |      |     |
|                                  | Oct  | Nov | Dec | Jan | Feb  | Mar | Apr  | May | Jun | July | Aug | Sept | Oct |
| E-books                          | 163  | 183 | 149 | 190 | 161  | 177 | 186  | 202 | 217 | 198  | 239 | 200  | 187 |
| Audiobooks                       | 254  | 220 | 240 | 228 | 207  | 224 | 207  | 198 | 209 | 227  | 237 | 229  | 223 |
| Magazines                        | 70   | 90  | 95  | 112 | 100  | 99  | 105  | 108 | 134 | 119  | 137 | 130  | 169 |
| Total Libby                      | 487  | 493 | 484 | 530 | 468  | 500 | 498  | 508 | 560 | 544  | 613 | 559  | 579 |
|                                  |      |     |     |     |      |     |      |     |     |      |     |      |     |
| Hoopla:                          |      |     | 20  | 24  |      |     | 2025 |     |     |      |     |      |     |
|                                  | Oct  | Nov | Dec | Jan | Feb  | Mar | Apr  | May | Jun | July | Aug | Sept | Oct |
| E-books                          | 18   | 24  | 21  | 21  | 23   | 21  | 22   | 25  | 13  | 15   | 24  | 17   | 21  |
| Audiobooks                       | 39   | 47  | 42  | 47  | 55   | 55  | 54   | 68  | 56  | 60   | 51  | 56   | 48  |
| Movies + TV                      | 3    | 6   | 12  | 15  | 11   | 7   | 6    | 6   | 9   | 7    | 7   | 4    | 8   |
| Music                            | 0    | 0   | 2   | 2   | 0    | 0   | 0    | 1   | 2   | 0    | 1   | 0    | 2   |
| Total<br>Hoopla                  | 60   | 77  | 77  | 85  | 89   | 83  | 82   | 100 | 80  | 82   | 83  | 77   | 79  |
| Total Digital                    | 547  | 570 | 561 | 615 | 557  | 583 | 580  | 608 | 640 | 626  | 696 | 636  | 658 |

## **Program Attendance- October 2025**

| Month     | 2023 | 2024 | 2025 |
|-----------|------|------|------|
| January   | 383  | 561  | 526  |
| February  | 408  | 370  | 518  |
| March     | 651  | 565  | 532  |
| April     | 510  | 404  | 539  |
| May       | 654  | 337  | 582  |
| June      | 515  | 291  | 715  |
| July      | 555  | 404  | 745  |
| August    | 335  | 354  | 651  |
| September | 343  | 457  | 377  |
| October   | 383  | 599  | 497  |
| November  | 424  | 332  | 0    |
| December  | 232  | 545  | 0    |



# **October 2025 Programs**

| DATES                                  | TIME        | PROGRAM/EVENT                            | AGE     | ATTENDANCE      |
|--|-------------|--|---------|-----------------|
| W 10/1, 10/8, 10/15, 10/22, 10/29      | 10:30-11am  | Storytime w/ Nancy                       | 0-5     | 27+8+24+8+13=80 |
| W 10/8, 10/15, 10/22,<br>10/29         | 2:00-3:00pm | Fun for 2s and 3                         | 0-5     | 6+4+4+6=20      |
| W 10/22                                | 5:30-6:30pm | Book Adventures                          | 0-5     | 6               |
| Th 10/23                               | 5:00-6:00pm | Doggy Storytime                          | 0-5     | 8               |
| M 10/6, 10/20,<br>10/27                | 5:30-6:15   | Fall Art Class Grades 1-3                | 6-11    | 10+10+11=31     |
| Tu10/7, 10/14,<br>10/21                | 5:30-6:15   | Fall Art Class Grades 3-5                | 6-11    | 10+11+8=29      |
| W 10/1, 10/8, 10/15                    | 5:30-6:30pm | Fall Art Class Grades 6-12               | 12-18   | 10+10+12=32     |
| F 10/10                                | 2-4pm       | Movies for Adults- F1                    | 19+     | 1               |
| T 10/14                                | 5-6pm       | Tech Class- Learning Libby               | 19+     | 4               |
| W 10/15                                | 3-4pm       | Adult Book Club                          | 19+     | 10              |
| Th 10/16                               | 11am-12pm   | Tech Class- Learning Libby               | 19+     | 6               |
| F 10/17                                | 2-4pm       | Movies for Adults- Mission<br>Impossible | 19+     | 4               |
| F 10/24                                | 2-4pm       | Movies for Adults- Hamilton              | 19+     | 13              |
| M 10/27                                | 6-8pm       | Movies for Adults- Chuckles and Chills   | 19+     | 1               |
| T 10/28                                | 6-8pm       | Movies for Adults- Chuckles and Chills   | 19+     | 0               |
| W 10/29                                | 6-8pm       | Movies for Adults- Chuckles and Chills   | 19+     | 4               |
| F 10/31                                | All day     | Monster Movie Marathon                   | 19+     | 6               |
| Sun 10/5                               | 3-5pm       | Art Show of the Month                    | gen int | 82              |
| Sun 10/26                              | 3-5pm       | Pumpkin Decorating                       | gen int | 78              |
|  |             |  | TOTAL   | 415             |
| Non-Library<br>Programs                |             |  |         |                 |
| M10/6, 10/20, 10/27                    | 1-3pm       | Canasta                                  | 19+     | 13+10+13=36     |
| W 10/8                                 | 6pm         | Piermont Civic Association               | 19+     | 7               |
| W10/8, 10/15<br>TH 10/9, 10/16, 10/23, | 12:30-4pm   | Canasta                                  | 19+     | 4+4=8           |
| 10/30                                  | 1-3pm       | Mahjong                                  | 19+     | 11+5+8+7=31     |
|  |             |  | TOTAL   | 82              |
|  |             | OTUED OFDVICES                           | TOTAL   | 497             |
|  |             | OTHER SERVICES                           |         |                 |
|  |             | Reference Questions                      | 154     |                 |
|  |             | Library PC Use                           | 76      |                 |
|  |             | WiFI Use                                 | 170     |                 |

## **Upcoming Programs**

- Storytimes every Wednesday at 10:30am
- Fun for 2s and 3s every Wednesday at 2:00pm
- Family Bingo- Thursday, November 13 at 6:30pm
- She Persisted Book Club- Wednesday, November 12 at 5pm
  - o Oprah Winfrey by Renee Watson
- Story and Craft- Thursday, November 20 at 4:30pm
- Book Adventures Book Club- Wednesday, November 19 at 5:30pm
- Fall Art Classes
  - o Grades 6-12: Wednesdays at 5:30pm
  - o Grades 3-5: Tuesdays at 5:30pm
  - o Grades 1-3: Mondays 5:30pm
- Art Reception Opening- Sunday, November 2 at 3pm
  - o Paul Metzler- the anxious sign [the urge towards beauty]
- Friday Movies for Adults
  - November 7, 2pm- Fantastic Four
  - November 14, 2pm- Downton Abbey
  - o November 21, 2pm- The Naked Gun
- Adult Technology Classes- How to Use Hoopla
  - Tuesday, November 18 at 5pm
  - Thursday, November 20 at 11am
- Adult Book Club- Wednesday, November 19 at 3pm
  - o The Measure by Nikki Erlick
- Adult Create and Sip- November 27, 6:30pm
- Book Sale- starts Sunday, November 9 from 10am-3pm and continues all week during open hours