

Dennis P. McHugh Piermont Public Library

Director's Report

February 11, 2026

General Updates

We continue to await updates from RCLS regarding the process for completing the Annual Report this year, given that Baker & Taylor closed late last year.

Programming

Adults

We are starting Friday movies one hour earlier, at 1pm, to allow for lengthier movies and based on patron feedback on scheduling.

There were 31 attendees who enjoyed the vibrant artwork of Lori Weisbart-Polson: Places and Faces at the art gallery opening reception on January 4.

Create and Sip remains a very popular program for adults, with 12 attendees and a full waitlist this past month!

Children

We have been offering our regular storytime programs and art classes, as well as the She Persisted and Book Adventures book clubs, and Family Bingo. We are now offering storytimes both in the mornings and afternoons on Wednesdays. Art classes for children started again at the end of January, though the schedule was interrupted by snow storms.

Five patrons enjoyed a visit by author Kottie Christie-Blick, who presented on her book "Too Much Quiet!"

We had 28 attendees enjoy our seasonally-themed crafts with Ms. Nancy this month.

We recently received a donation of 30 pounds of Lego, which Ms. Nancy has incorporated into her Fun with Lego program. This program promotes creativity through free building with a massive variety of Lego now available for curious minds! We had 17 attendees.

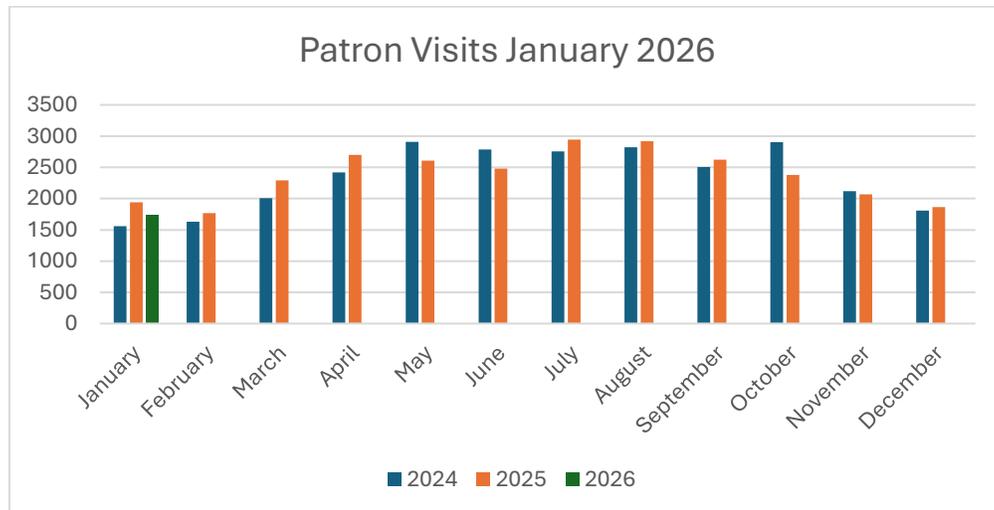
Building

The Library closed early on Saturday, January 17 due to a snowstorm. The Library was closed all day on Monday, January 26 due to the major snowstorm that impacted most of

the state. The Library opened late on Tuesday, January 27 during the ongoing cleanup. On January 28th, Library staff found that the staff bathroom was flooding. It was determined that a pipe had frozen. This impacted use of the staff bathroom for the next week, as temperatures remained below freezing. The pipe has been thawed and cleared of a clog as of February 6, and work was done on the pipes to improve the flow, which may help mitigate the impacts of cold temperatures in the future. We are looking into additional measures to protect against freezing as well.

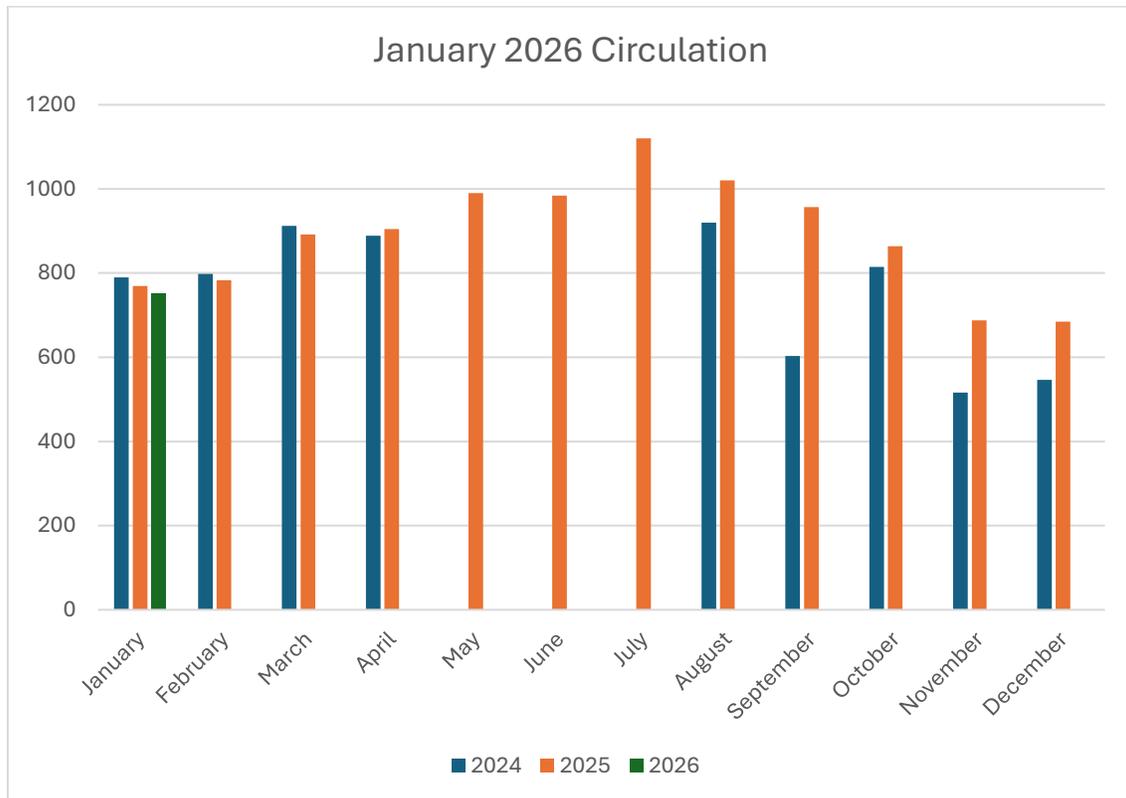
Patron Visits- January 2026

Month	2024	2025	2026
<i>January</i>	1557	1941	1742
<i>February</i>	1632	1768	
<i>March</i>	2008	2292	
<i>April</i>	2422	2702	
<i>May</i>	2906	2607	
<i>June</i>	2784	2482	
<i>July</i>	2754	2944	
<i>August</i>	2823	2921	
<i>September</i>	2507	2625	
<i>October</i>	2904	2380	
<i>November</i>	2119	2067	
<i>December</i>	1806	1864	



Circulation- January 2026

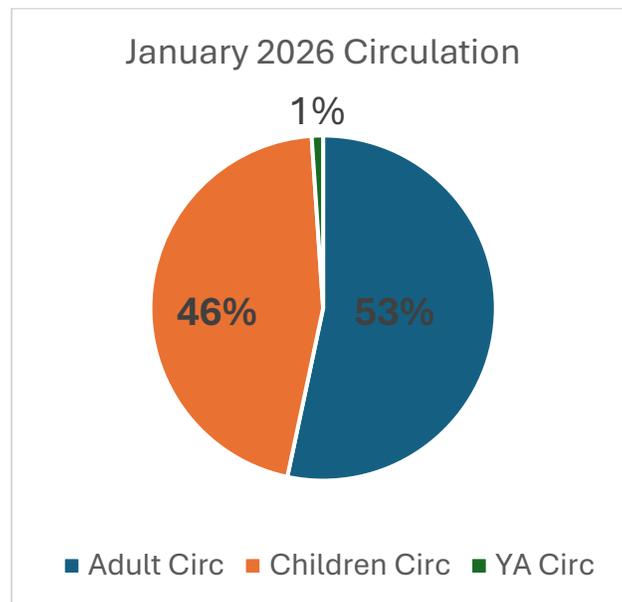
Month	2024	2025	2026
<i>January</i>	790	769	752
<i>February</i>	798	783	
<i>March</i>	912	892	
<i>April</i>	889	905	
<i>May</i>	NA	990	
<i>June</i>	NA	984	
<i>July</i>	NA	1120	
<i>August</i>	920	1020	
<i>September</i>	603	957	
<i>October</i>	815	864	
<i>November</i>	516	688	
<i>December</i>	546	685	



***ILS transition- data currently unavailable**

Circulation by Item Type and Collection- January 2026

Books					
Adult Fiction	183	Children Fiction	70	YA Fiction	2
Adult Nonfiction	92	Children Nonfiction	38	YA NF	1
Adult Biography	25	Children Biography	10	YA Graphic	4
Large Print	2	Children Picture	119	Manga	0
Local Authors	1	Children Board Book	26	YA Biography	1
Adult WL	0	Children Easy Reader	18		
Periodical	0	Children Graphic	32		
Adult Graphic	0	Children WL	4		
Games/Puzzles	2				
Total Adult Books	305	Total Children Books	317	Total YA Books	8
Media/Misc					
Adult DVD	80	Children DVD	26		
Adult Audio	5	Children Audio	0		
Adult Music	10				
Museum Pass	1				
Total Adult Media	96	Total Children Media	26	Total YA Media	0
Total Circulation					
Total Adult Circ	401	Total Children Circ	343	Total YA Circ	8
TOTAL FEBRUARY CIRCULATION	752				



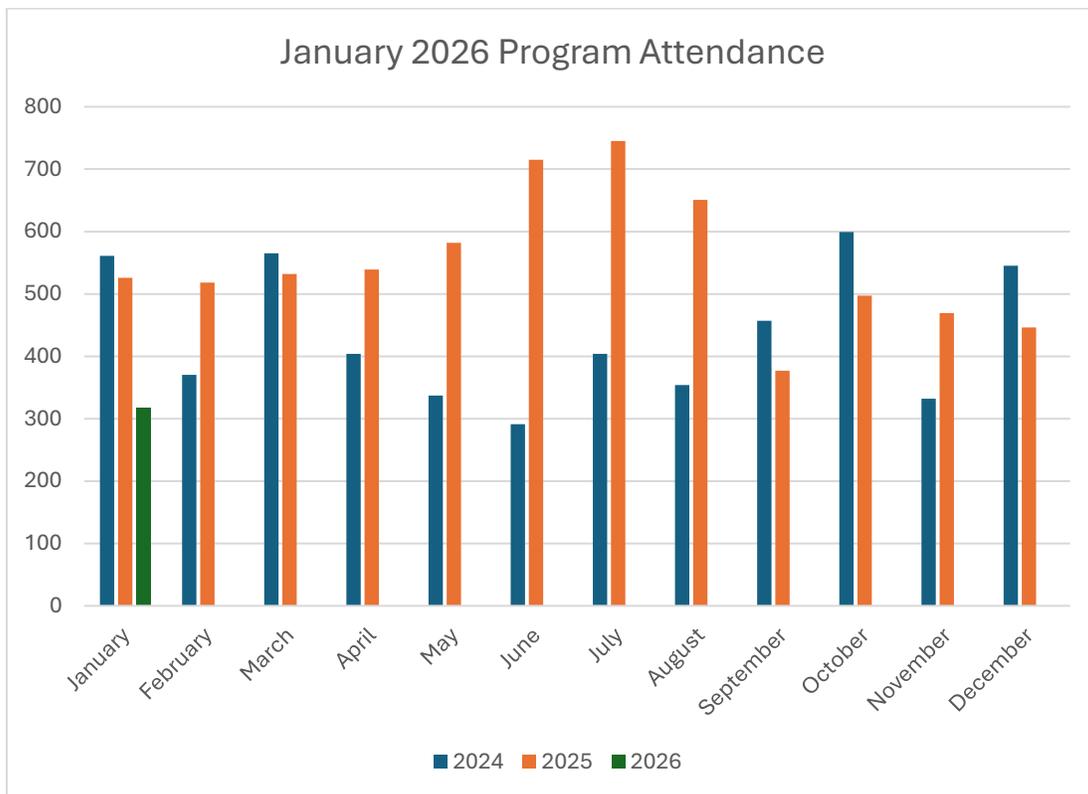
Digital Circulation- January 2026

Statistics for Digital Checkouts

Libby:	2025												2026
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan
E-books	190	161	177	186	202	217	198	239	200	187	217	189	210
Audiobooks	228	207	224	207	198	209	227	237	229	223	188	170	212
Magazines	112	100	99	105	108	134	119	137	130	169	125	142	159
Total Libby	530	468	500	498	508	560	544	613	559	579	530	501	581
Hoopla:	2025												2026
	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec
E-books	21	23	21	22	25	13	15	24	17	21	19	23	19
Audiobooks	47	55	55	54	68	56	60	51	56	48	46	46	48
Movies + TV	15	11	7	6	6	9	7	7	4	8	9	13	19
Music	2	0	0	0	1	2	0	1	0	2	1	0	1
Total Hoopla	85	89	83	82	100	80	82	83	77	79	75	82	87
Total Digital	615	615	557	583	580	608	640	626	696	636	658	605	668

Program Attendance- January 2026

Month	2024	2025	2026
<i>January</i>	561	526	317
<i>February</i>	370	518	
<i>March</i>	565	532	
<i>April</i>	404	539	
<i>May</i>	337	582	
<i>June</i>	291	715	
<i>July</i>	404	745	
<i>August</i>	354	651	
<i>September</i>	457	377	
<i>October</i>	599	497	
<i>November</i>	332	469	
<i>December</i>	545	446	



January 2026 Programs

DATES	TIME	PROGRAM/EVENT	AGE	ATTENDANCE
W 1/7, 1/14, 1/21, 1/28	10:30-11am	Morning Storytime w/ Ms. Nancy	0-5	8+5+13+19=45
W 1/7, 1/21, 1/28	3:00-4:00pm	Afternoon Storytime w/ Ms. Nancy	0-5	5+5+9=19
W 1/21	5:30-6:30pm	Book Adventures	0-5	2
Th 1/8	4:30-5:30pm	Story and Craft: Snowflakes	6-11	7
M 1/26	5:30-6:15	Fall Art Class Grades 1-3	6-11	11
Tu 1/27	5:30-6:15	Fall Art Class Grades 3-5	6-11	13
Th 1/15	4:30-5:30pm	Fun with Lego	6-11	17
Th 1/15	6:00-7:00pm	She Persisted Book Club	6-11	4
Th 1/29	4:30-5:30pm	Story and Craft: Groundhog Fun	6-11	21
W 1/21	5:30-6:30pm	Fall Art Class Grades 6-12	12-18	9
F 1/2	1-4pm	Movies for Adults- West Side Story	19+	2
F 1/9	1-4pm	Movies for Adults- Fiddler on the Roof	19+	0
F 1/16	1-4pm	Movies for Adults- Mama Mia!	19+	2
F 1/23	1-4pm	Movies for Adults-La La Land	19+	6
F 1/30	1-4pm	Movies for Adults- Blinded by the Light	19+	4
Th 1/15	6:00-7:00pm	Create and Sip	19+	12
W 1/21	3:00-4:00pm	Adult Book Club	19+	15
Sun 1/4	3-5pm	Art Reception- Lori Weisbart Polson	gen int	31
Th 1/22	5:00-6:00pm	Book Talk with Kottie Christie-Blick	gen int	5
Th 1/22	6:30-7:30pm	Family Bingo	gen int	14
			TOTAL	239
Non-Library Programs				
M 1/5, 1/12	1-3pm	Canasta	19+	11+13=24
W 1/7, 1/14, 1/21, 1/28	12:30-4pm	Canasta	19+	4+4+4+4=16
Th 1/8, 1/15, 1/22, 1/29	1-3pm	Mahjong	19+	11+6+11+10=38
			TOTAL	78
			TOTAL	317
		OTHER SERVICES		
		Reference Questions	90	
		Library PC Use	66	
		WiFi Use	133	

Upcoming Programs

- Friday Movies for Adults (New time- 1pm)
 - **February 6, 1pm-** (500) Days of Summer
 - **February 13, 1pm-** When Harry Met Sally
 - **February 20, 1pm-** Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory (special Family Movie showing)
 - **February 27, 1pm-** The Purple Rose of Cairo
- Art Reception Opening- **Saturday, February 7**
 - Nyack Arts Collective
- Storytimes **every Wednesday at 10:30am and 3:00pm**
- Story and Craft- **Thursday, February 12 at 4:30pm**
 - Valentine's Day Cards
- Adult Book Club- **Wednesday, February 18th at 3pm**
 - *The Berry Pickers*
- Book Adventures Book Club- **Wednesday, February 18 at 5:30pm**
- Fun with Lego- **Thursday, February 19th at 4:30pm**
- Family Bingo- **Thursday, February 19th at 6:30pm**
- Create and Sip for Adults- **Thursday, February 19 at 6:30pm**
- How to Borrow eBooks Class- **Monday, February 23 at 4:00pm**
- She Persisted Book Club- **Thursday, February 26 at 5pm**
Malala Yousafzai
- Winter Art Classes- The Silk Road
 - Grades 6-12: **Wednesdays at 5:30pm**
 - Grades 3-5: **Tuesdays at 5:30pm**
 - Grades 1-3: **Mondays 5:30pm**
- Story and Craft- **Thursday, February 26 at 4:30pm**
 - I Love Libraries!
- How to Borrow eBooks Class- **Friday, February 27 at 11:00am**