

Dennis P. McHugh Piermont Public Library

Director's Report

March 11, 2026

General Updates

We are still awaiting login credentials and platform training from RCLS to complete our Annual Report, since Baker & Taylor shuttered at the end of last year. The reports are typically due to the Division of Library Development by April 1, with earlier due dates for libraries to submit to RCLS, but all deadlines are currently extended to TBD dates due to the atypical nature of this year. RCLS has provided worksheets of expected questions so that we can be prepared to input data as soon as login details are received. This worksheet is currently in process. The Library Director will be attending an in-person training on the new Annual Report submission process on March 17 in Suffern.

The library was closed due to a lack of functioning toilets (from frozen pipes) on Tuesday, February 3.

The library was closed on Monday, February 23rd due to the large snowstorm. The library had delayed openings of 1pm on February 24th and 11:30am on February 25 due to icy conditions.

Building

We were informed by the Fire Inspector that our sprinkler and backflow systems were due for inspection. Hudson Valley Fire came on February 26 and inspected the system- we passed all criteria.

Programming

Adults

We had a lovely variety of pieces in our gallery for February, from the Nyack Art Collective. There were 64 attendees at the reception.

The Piermont Historical Society kindly loaned the library photo panels depicting the transformation of the town during the filming of *The Purple Rose of Cairo* in the early 1980s. We had these on display for a week in advance of a special screening on February 27 of the film. Patrons enjoyed the display all week and 16 attended the movie.

Our ten Create and Sip attendees created amazing 3D butterfly pieces.

We had 18 attendees for the Adult Book Club, discussing *The Berry Pickers* by Amanda Peters. The group has grown large enough that we have permanently relocated the meeting space for the book club from the conference room to the Hudson room!

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. Art classes for children and teens continued throughout the month, though several classes were canceled due to inclement weather.

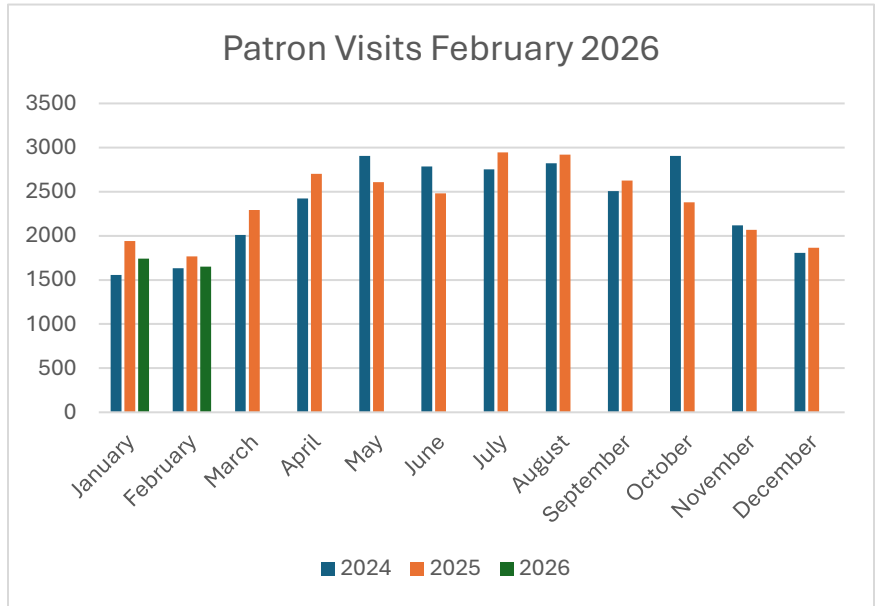
There were 13 attendees at our Eating Healthy with Caitlin program, in which Nutritionist Caitlin Krawitz presented healthy snacking ideas for children and parents.

We had 14 attendees complete Ms. Nancy's Valentine's Day craft.

During the week that the South Orangetown school system was closed for break, we hosted a special screening of *Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory* on Friday, February 20. We provided pizza and other refreshments for the families attending. Many of our attendees informed us that this was their first time visiting our library. We had 48 total attendees.

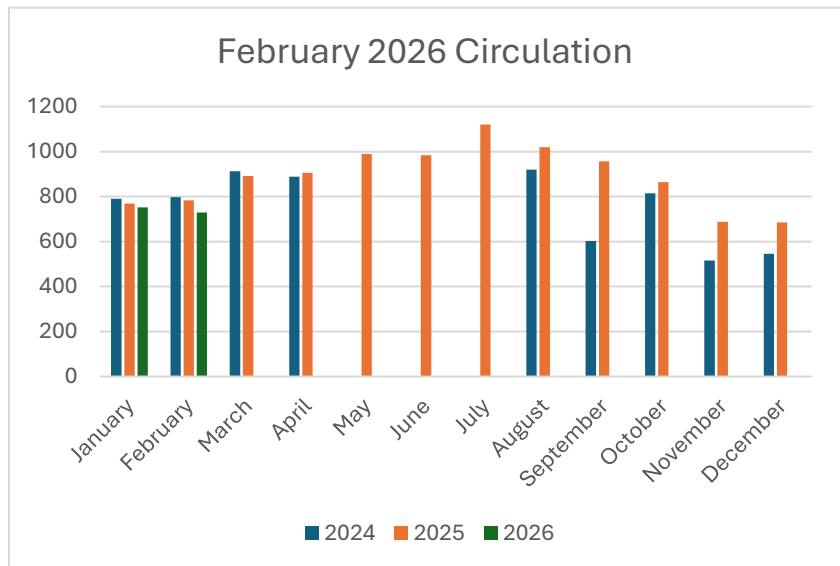
Patron Visits- February 2026

Month	2024	2025	2026
January	1557	1941	1742
February	1632	1768	1652
March	2008	2292	
April	2422	2702	
May	2906	2607	
June	2784	2482	
July	2754	2944	
August	2823	2921	
September	2507	2625	
October	2904	2380	
November	2119	2067	
December	1806	1864	



Circulation- February 2026

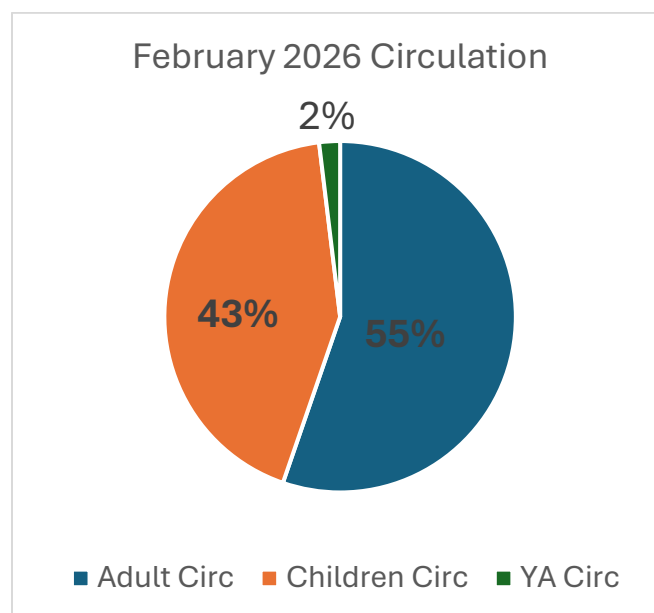
Month	2024	2025	2026
January	790	769	752
February	798	783	729
March	912	892	
April	889	905	
May	NA	990	
June	NA	984	
July	NA	1120	
August	920	1020	
September	603	957	
October	815	864	
November	516	688	
December	546	685	



*ILS transition- data currently unavailable

Circulation by Item Type and Collection- February 2026

Books					
Adult Fiction	154	Children Fiction	39	YA Fiction	9
Adult Nonfiction	92	Children Nonfiction	35	YA NF	1
Adult Biography	16	Children Biography	5	YA Graphic	4
Large Print	14	Children Picture	105	Manga	0
Local Authors	1	Children Board Book	27	YA Biography	0
Local History	3	Children Easy Reader	39		
Adult WL	0	Children Graphic	33		
Periodical	0	Children WL	1		
Adult Graphic	0				
Games/Puzzles	2				
Total Adult Books	282	Total Children Books	284	Total YA Books	14
Media/Misc					
Adult DVD	95	Children DVD	28		
Adult Audio	4	Children Audio	0		
Adult Music	21				
Museum Pass	1				
Total Adult Media	121	Total Children Media	28	Total YA Media	0
Total Circulation					
Total Adult Circ	403	Total Children Circ	312	Total YA Circ	14
TOTAL FEBRUARY CIRCULATION	729				



Digital Circulation- February 2026

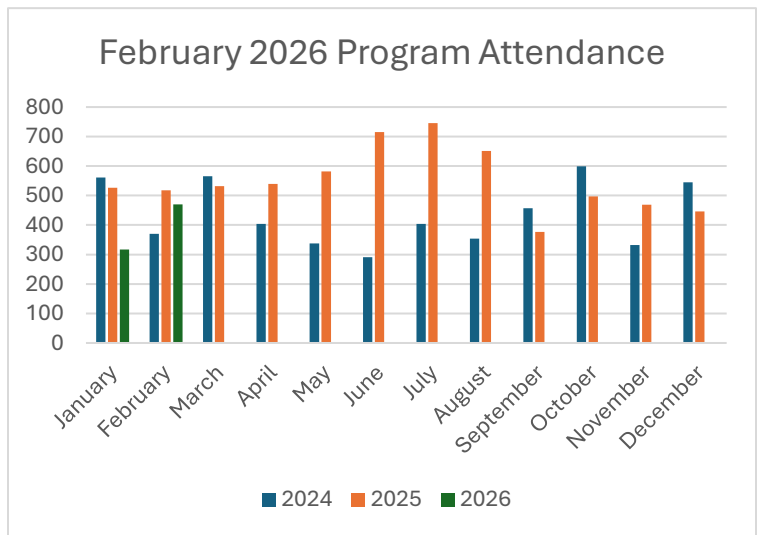
Statistics for Digital Checkouts													
<u>Libby:</u>	2025											2026	
	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb
E-books	161	177	186	202	217	198	239	200	187	217	189	210	188
Audiobooks	207	224	207	198	209	227	237	229	223	188	170	212	153
Magazines	100	99	105	108	134	119	137	130	169	125	142	159	145
Total Libby	468	500	498	508	560	544	613	559	579	530	501	581	486

<u>Hoopla:</u>	2025											2026	
	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb
E-books	23	21	22	25	13	15	24	17	21	19	23	19	14
Audiobooks	55	55	54	68	56	60	51	56	48	46	46	48	37
Movies + TV	11	7	6	6	9	7	7	4	8	9	13	19	20
Music	0	0	0	1	2	0	1	0	2	1	0	1	0
Total Hoopla	89	83	82	100	80	82	83	77	79	75	82	87	71

Total Digital	557	557	583	580	608	640	626	696	636	658	605	583	557
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Program Attendance- February 2026

Month	2024	2025	2026
<i>January</i>	561	526	317
<i>February</i>	370	518	470
<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	



February 2026 Programs

DATES	TIME	PROGRAM/EVENT	AGE	ATTENDANCE
W 2/4, 2/11, 2/18	10:30-11am	Morning Storytime w/ Ms. Nancy	0-5	23+23+18=64
W 2/4, 2/11, 2/18	3-4pm	Afternoon Storytime w/ Ms. Nancy	0-5	8+10+6=24
W 2/18	5:30-6:30pm	Book Adventures	0-5	3
Th 2/12	4:30-5:30pm	Story and Craft: Valentine's Day Cards	6-11	14
M 2/2	4:30-5:30pm	Eating Healthy with Caitlin	6-11	13
M 2/2, 2/9, 2/23	5:30-6:15	Fall Art Class Grades 1-3	6-11	12+12=24
Tu 2/10	5:30-6:15	Fall Art Class Grades 3-5	6-11	9
Th 2/19	4:30-5:30pm	Fun with Lego	6-11	10
Th 2/26	6:00-7:00pm	She Persisted Book Club	6-11	3
Th 2/26	4:30-5:30pm	Story and Craft: I Love Libraries	6-11	Cancelled
W 2/4, 2/11, 2/18, 2/25	5:30-6:30pm	Fall Art Class Grades 6-12	12-18	12+10+10=32
F 2/6	1-4pm	Movies for Adults- 500 Days of Summer	19+	1
F 2/13	1-4pm	Movies for Adults- When Harry Met Sally	19+	2
F 2/27	1-4pm	Movies for Adults-The Purple Rose of Cairo	19+	16
W 2/18	3-4pm	Adult Book Club- The Berrypickers	19+	18
Th 2/19	6-7pm	Create and Sip- 3D Butterflies	19+	10
Sun 2/7	3-5pm	Art Reception- Nyack Art Collective	gen int	64
Th 2/19	6:30-7:30pm	Family Bingo	gen int	9
F 2/20	1:00-3:00pm	Family Movie: Willy Wonka	gen int	48
			TOTAL	364
Non-Library Programs				
M 2/2, 2/9, 2/23	1-3pm	Canasta	19+	13+13=26
T 2/10, 2/17	11-1pm	Canasta	19+	4+4=8
W 2/4, 2/11, 2/18	12:30-4pm	Canasta	19+	4+4+6=14
Th 2/5, 2/12, 2/26	1-3pm	Mahjong	19+	13+10+7=30
F 2/20	11pm	Outside Daycare Group	0-5	12
F 2/20	12pm	Peace in Piermont	0-5	16
			TOTAL	106
			TOTAL	470
		OTHER SERVICES		
		Reference Questions	95	
		Library PC Use	60	
		WiFi Use	109	

Upcoming Programs

- Friday Movies for Adults
 - **March 6, 1pm**- Emma
 - **March 13, 1pm**- Springsteen: Deliver Me from Nowhere
 - **March 20, 1pm**- Hamnet
 - **March 27, 1pm**- Wicked: For Good
- Art Reception Opening- **Sunday, March 8**
 - Chris and Cat Farrell
- Storytimes **every Wednesday at 10:30am and 3:00pm**
- PARP Paper Weaving- **Thursday, March 12 at 4:30pm**
- YA Local Author Visit- Zoe Greenberg, *Vie and the Bear Under the Tree*- **Monday, March 16 at 4pm**
- Piermont Library Writing Group- **Monday, March 16 at 6pm**
 - New program- writing support and group workshopping- 10 member limit
- Adult Book Club- **Wednesday, March 18th at 3pm**
 - *The One in a Million Boy* by Monica Wood
- PARP Paper Weaving- **Thursday, March 18 at 4:30pm**
- Book Adventures Book Club- **Wednesday, March 18 at 5:30pm**
- PARP Paper Weaving- **Thursday, March 19 at 4:30pm**
- Fun with Lego- **Thursday, March 19th at 4:30pm**
- She Persisted Book Club- **Thursday, March 19 at 6pm**
 - Sally Ride
- 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**
- Doggie Storytime with Luna and Ms. Nancy- **Wednesday, March 25 at 4:30pm**

- **Story and Craft- Thursday, March 26 at 4:30pm**
 - Veggies and Fruit

- **Family Bingo- Thursday, March 26th at 6:30pm**

- **Piermont Library Writing Group- Monday, March 30 at 6pm**

- **Create and Sip for Adults- Tuesday, March 31 at 6:30pm**
 - Georgia O'Keefe Landscape