

Dennis P. McHugh Piermont Public Library

Director's Report

September 16, 2026.

Personnel

Rockland County Civil Service accepted and certified our 2026 Payroll Certification.

Programming Highlights

Adults

Visitors to the library enjoyed photographs in the exhibit *Back to Sea* by Julie Cahn all month, with 47 attendees at the reception.

The Writing Group has welcome three new members.

Teens

We had six teens participate in our teen summer reading raffle drawings.

Children

We had a very exciting pizza party for the end of Summer Reading (with a special visit from Pickles the Triceratops!) Overheard at the party from one of our 45 attendees: "This is the best party I've ever been to!"

Our always-popular Mighty Five Scavenger Hunt drew 99 attendees from among the 5 libraries. Piermont successfully maintained its reputation as being the most challenging of the five locations!

Fun with Lego remains a very popular program, with 20 attendees this month who created fantastic Lego creations from their imagination.

Building

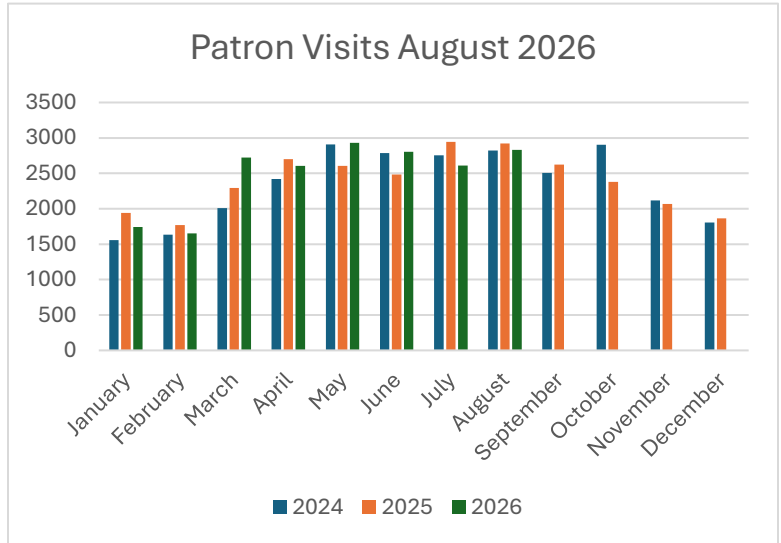
We are awaiting Ironwood's landscaping work in the section of the library's property that was impacted by the M&T work. M&T will be covering the costs of this work.

Our new book drop is working wonderfully!

RCLS responded to our Construction Aid application with recommended edits. We completed these recommended edits and received confirmation that RCLS has accepted our application and is submitting to DLD for State Library approval.

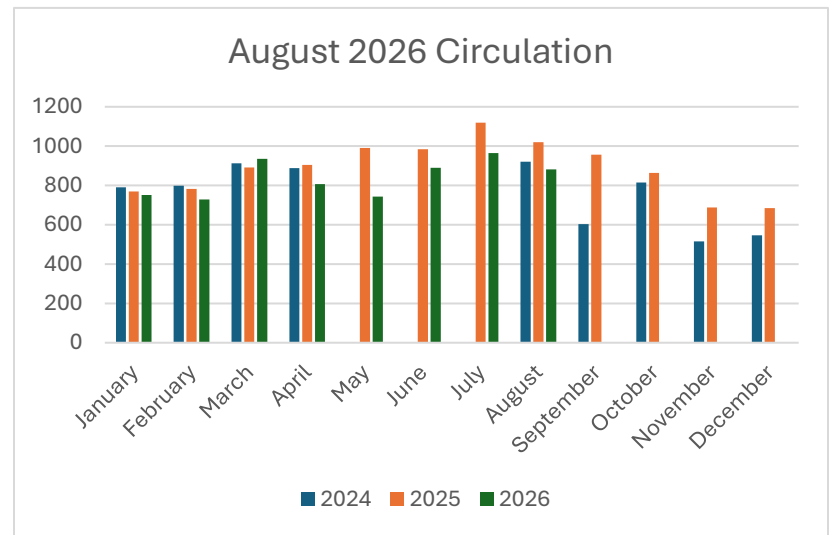
Patron Visits- August 2026

Month	2024	2025	2026
<i>January</i>	1557	1941	1742
<i>February</i>	1632	1768	1652
<i>March</i>	2008	2292	2724
<i>April</i>	2422	2702	2604
<i>May</i>	2906	2607	2929
<i>June</i>	2784	2482	2803
<i>July</i>	2754	2944	2609
<i>August</i>	2823	2921	2829
<i>September</i>	2507	2625	
<i>October</i>	2904	2380	
<i>November</i>	2119	2067	
<i>December</i>	1806	1864	



Circulation- August 2026

Month	2024	2025	2026
<i>January</i>	790	769	752
<i>February</i>	798	783	729
<i>March</i>	912	892	936
<i>April</i>	889	905	807
<i>May</i>	NA	990	744
<i>June</i>	NA	984	890
<i>July</i>	NA	1120	965
<i>August</i>	920	1020	881
<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- August 2026

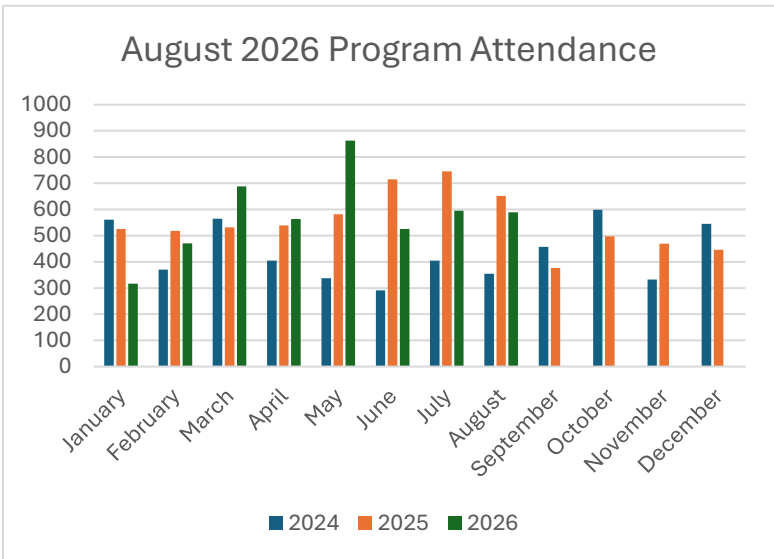
Books							
Adult Fiction	224		Children Fiction	91		YA Fiction	10
Adult Nonfiction	127		Children Nonfiction	41		YA NF	6
Adult Biography	17		Children Biography	2		YA Graphic	2
Large Print	14		Children Picture	102		Manga	0
Local Authors	1		Children Board Book	21		YA Biography	0
Local History	2		Children Easy Reader	56			
Adult WL	7		Children Graphic	26			
Periodical	1		Children WL	0			
Adult Graphic	6						
Games/Puzzles	3						
Library of Things	3						
Total Adult Books	405		Total Children Books	339		Total YA Books	18
Media/Misc							
Adult DVD	88		Children DVD	8			
Adult Audio	6		Children Audio	4			
Adult Music	4		Children Book+CD	0			
Museum Pass	9						
Total Adult Media	107		Total Children Media	12		Total YA Media	0
Total Circulation							
Total Adult Circ	512		Total Children Circ	351		Total YA Circ	18
AUGUST CIRCULATION	881						

Digital Circulation- August 2026

Statistics for Digital Checkouts													
<u>Libby:</u>	2025					2026							
	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	July	Aug
E-books	239	200	187	217	189	210	188	184	154	166	187	257	224
Audiobooks	237	229	223	188	170	212	153	168	193	210	221	224	254
Magazines	137	130	169	125	142	159	145	186	155	150	177	157	151
Total Libby	613	559	579	530	501	581	486	538	502	526	585	638	629
<u>Hoopla:</u>	2025					2026							
	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	July	Aug
E-books	24	17	21	19	23	19	14	34	22	25	25	27	35
Audiobooks	51	56	48	46	46	48	37	49	38	43	39	52	43
Movies + TV	7	4	8	9	13	19	20	7	10	18	14	5	11
Music	1	0	2	1	0	1	0	5	5	4	6	0	3
Total Hoopla	83	77	79	75	82	87	71	95	75	90	84	84	92
Total Digital	696	636	658	605	583	668	557	633	577	616	669	722	721

Program Attendance- August 2026

Month	2024	2025	2026
January	561	526	317
February	370	518	470
March	565	532	688
April	404	539	563
May	337	582	863
June	291	715	525
July	404	745	595
August	354	651	589
September	457	377	
October	599	497	
November	332	469	
December	545	446	



August 2026 Programs

DATES	TIME	PROGRAM/EVENT	AGE	ATTENDANCE
W 8/5, 8/12, 8/19, 8/26	10:30-11am	Morning Storytime w/ Ms. Nancy	0-5	18+46+27+18=109
All month		Children's Scavenger Hunt	0-5	99
M 8/3	5:30-6:15	Summer Art Class Grades 1-3	6-11	10
W 8/5	4:30-5:30pm	Money Smarts! Children's Finance	6-11	10
W 8/12	4:30-5:30pm	Fun with Lego	6-11	20
Th 8/13	4:30-5:30pm	"Unearth a Story" Craft	6-11	5
T 8/25	5:30-6:15	Summer Art Class Grades 3-5	6-11	12
All month		Children's Summer Reading	6-11	40
All month		Teen Summer Reading	12-18	6
F 8/7, 8/14, 8/21, 8/28	1-4pm	Movies for Adults	19+	0+5+2+8=15
M 8/10, 8/24	6-7:30pm	Piermont Writing Group	19+	6+5=11
W 8/12	7-9pm	Library Board of Trustees Meeting	19+	7
W 8/19	3:00-4:00pm	Adult Book Club	19+	12
Th 8/26	6:30-7:30pm	Create and Sip: America 250!	19+	13
All month		Adult Summer Reading	19+	27
Th 8/6	6-7pm	Summer Reading Closing Party	gen int	45
Sun 8/9	3-5pm	Art Reception- Julie Cahn	gen int	47
Th 8/20	6:30-7:30pm	Family Bingo	gen int	8
			TOTAL	496
Non-Library Programs				
T 8/4, 8/11, 8/18, 8/25	11am-1pm	Canasta	19+	4+4+4+4=16
W 8/5, 8/12, 8/19, 8/26	12:30-4pm	Canasta	19+	4+4+4+4=16
Th 8/6, 8/13, 8/20, 8/27	1-3pm	Mahjong	19+	11+8+7+10=36
M 8/24, 8/31	1-3pm	Canasta	19+	11+10=21
All month		Patron Conference Room Use	19+	4
			TOTAL	93
			TOTAL	589
		OTHER SERVICES		
		Reference Questions	131	
		Library PC Use	110	
		WiFi Use	252	

Upcoming Programs for September 2026

- Storytimes **every Wednesday at 10:30am**
- Pre-Literacy Fun for 2's and 3's- **every Thursday, 11am – 11:45am**
- Friday Movies for Adults
 - **September 4, 1pm-** Rental Family
 - **September 18, 1pm-** Disclosure Day
 - **September 25, 1pm-** Exit 8
- 9/11 Community Quilt- Create Your Square- **Wednesday, September 9 at 6:30pm**
- September 11 Observances- **Friday, September 11**
 - Reading of the Names- 10am-1pm
 - *From the Ground Up* Film Screening- 1pm
 - 9/11 Museum Documentary Screening- 1:30pm
- Money Smarts! Children Financial Education Class- **Saturday, September 12 at 1pm and Thursday September 17 at 5:30pm**
- Tai Chi with Marlene- **Monday, September 14 at 10:30am**
- Piermont Library Writing Group- **Monday, September 14 and 28 at 6pm**
- Adult Book Club- **Wednesday, September 16 at 3pm:** *Daughters of the Sun and Moon* by Lisa See
- Story and Craft- **Thursday, September 17 at 4:30pm**
- Fun with Lego- **Wednesday, September 24 at 4:30pm**
- Create and Sip- **Thursday, September 24 at 6:30pm**
- Weekly Fall Art Classes
 - **September 23- Wednesdays at 5:30pm-** Grades 6-12 begins
 - **September 28- Mondays at 5:30pm-** Grades 3-5 begins
 - **September 28- Tuesdays at 5:30pm-** Grades 1-3 begin