

## DIRECTOR'S REPORT

### Library News

We wrapped up the Summer Library Program on August 9. Patrons could come in the next week to spin the wheel and get raffle tickets. The winners of the 39 raffle prizes were drawn on Friday, August 16., with almost 5,000 raffle tickets claimed.

We had a total of 572 people signed up for the Summer Library Program.

- Royal Guernsey Creamery had a great program about their butter on July 13
- 198 people attended the program Ms. Kim's Amazing Animals on the Library Lawn July 16
- On July 20 the Library hosted Mark Moran, Antique Appraiser
- On July 17 we collaborated with the ADRC of Columbia County for The Remember Project. Participants also got a free meal sponsored by the Fall River-Columbus Rotary .
- On August 1 families participated in Read to a Senior at Home Again Assisted Living
- Catherine, Helen, Kristi, and Amanda all attended National Night Out on August 6. We had hundreds of people stop by our booth.
- On July 31 we held a very well attended program for Harry Potter's birthday

### Upcoming Special Events at the Library

- August 28– Cupcakes at the Library to celebrate Sue Mathwich's 25th Anniversary
- August 29– Authors Jenny Kalvaitis and Kristen Whitson, We Will Always Be Here
- August 26– Back to School Bingo
- September 13– No Good, Very Bad Art Night
- October 3– SCLS Foundation Cornerstone– Sue Mathwich will be awarded












### Buildings

- We are currently working on the bathroom project.
- Pride Originals is building a new cupboard for the program room (paid for the by the Friends) and gave us a quote on the upstairs circulation desk. The CAE grant application has been submitted for the circulation desk.

### Meetings and Trainings

- July 18 was the SCLS All Directors Meeting in Fitchburg
- July 19 was the Columbia County Board and Directors in Wisconsin Dells
- All staff with SCLS email addresses are participating in cybersecurity training online each month.
- Amanda met with Mark Jochem on August 9 for our annual SCLS visit.

Library Statistics		2024 Month	2024 YTD	2023 YTD	2023 Total
	Visits (# door counts)	6,786	40,061	37,035	62,944
	Items Borrowed (total)	5,832	35,196	31,099	53,981
	% Columbus residents		51%		52%
	% Fall River residents		13%		13%
	% Other Columbia County		20%		20%
	% Dodge County		10%		10%
	% Other		6%		5%
	Digital Items Borrowed (# checkouts)	1,728	8,884	7,887	13,620
	Books by Mail (# items sent)	29	142	205	351
	Public Wi-Fi (# sessions)	4,553	36,696	38,880	67,612
	Public Computer Use (# sessions)	244	1,795	1,583	2,929
	Wireless Printing & Faxing (# jobs)	67	546	593	1,013
	Community Use of Rooms (# attended)	108	677	599	1,033
	Patrons Added (# added)	30	246	206	365
Program Statistics		In-Person & Live Virtual (# programs)	In-Person & Live Virtual (# attended)	Self-Directed Activities	
Future Readers		13	296	0	
Children		6	92	0	
Teen		1	13	0	
Adult		7	88	0	
General Interest		5	459	0	