

July in Children's

I hope this finds you well, and staying cool. This month has been an average summer month for us...chock full of people, programs, and more people. Some highlights:

- A piece I contributed to was played on KAXE. The discussion was around the topic of why the number of kids who read for fun continues to drop alarmingly. If you're interested, it can be found on their website. I will start my regular contributions to their programming in the fall.
- We managed to continue to film Online Storytime, even with Teacher Missy Gray undergoing several surgeries, and Gramma Pat Fidely breaking her leg. (I think she took the encouragement "break a leg" a little too literally.) Patty Grigsby filmed 4 Storytimes for us, and we are very grateful. Gramma Pat will be back with us in August.
- Teen Book Club met after the June postponement due to Covid.
- Page Turners Book Club met under the leadership of Emily Lindner.
- We had two well-attended programs: Will Hale and the Tadpole Parade, and Peregrine Falcons with Jackie Fallon.
- Lego Club, under the phenomenal direction of Bella Pratto and Madelyn Pratto, met each Friday in July. They continue to receive many compliments for the really awesome job they do for us. Lego Club is done for the summer, but I hope to return to once-a-month programming in October.
- Summer Booktime continues to be well-attended. (46, 74, and 59 participants for the three times we met in July. Yikes!!) Our topics for the month of July included Snails, Sheep, and Dinosaurs. (Roar!!)
- Grandma Nancy once again volunteered for another filming of Artastic at Home. She has been donating her time monthly since we were closed for Covid. We are so very lucky to have her!
- And...now my attention has turned forward to Summer Celebration. Thank you for your support, and especially for your volunteerism. It's such a fun afternoon, and your presence is so valued! Thank you...and Happy Reading!

Monthly Report - Overview for Jul 2024

Locations on this report: Grand Rapids Area Library

Checkout

Description	Jul 2024	Jun 2024	%chg	Jul 2023	%chg	2024 YTD	2023 YTD	%chg
1st Time	12140	10310	17	10333	17	72215	68959	4
Phone Renewal	307	225	36	337	-9	2071	2125	-3
Renewal	233	154	51	171	36	1395	1088	28
Opac Renewal	700	658	6	713	-2	4578	4681	-3
Offline 1st Time	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Offline Renewal	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dayend Auto Renew	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	13380	11347	17	11554	15	80259	76853	4

Checkout Stock Rotation

Description	Jul 2024	Jun 2024	%chg	Jul 2023	%chg	2024 YTD	2023 YTD	%chg
1st Time	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Phone Renewal	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Renewal	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Opac Renewal	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Offline 1st Time	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Offline Renewal	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dayend Auto Renew	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Checkin

Description	Jul 2024	Jun 2024	%chg	Jul 2023	%chg	2024 YTD	2023 YTD	%chg
Normal	10788	8739	23	10021	7	64362	61806	4
Late	2397	1832	30	1937	23	14125	13347	5
Offline Normal	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Offline Late	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	13185	10571	24	11958	10	78487	75153	4

Requests Placed

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Total	139	132	5	110	26	713	758	-6

Bib Delta

Description	Jul 2024	Jun 2024	%chg	Jul 2023	%chg	2024 YTD	2023 YTD	%chg
New (Manual)	181	130	39	151	19	1129	1296	-13
Deleted (Manual)	311	110	182	326	-5	1784	2450	-28
New (Batch)	79	50	58	47	68	685	541	26
Deleted (Batch)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
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Total	571	290	96	524	8	3598	4287	-17

Auth Delta

Description	Jul 2024	Jun 2024	%chg	Jul 2023	%chg	2024 YTD	2023 YTD	%chg
New (Manual)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Deleted (Manual)	10	0	100	0	100	16	4	300
New (Batch)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Deleted (Batch)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
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Total	10	0	100	0	100	16	4	300

Item Delta

Description	Jul 2024	Jun 2024	%chg	Jul 2023	%chg	2024 YTD	2023 YTD	%chg
New (Manual)	469	359	30	328	42	3388	3641	-7
Deleted (Manual)	399	41	873	335	19	2761	3634	-25
New (Batch)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Deleted (Batch)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
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Total	868	400	117	663	30	6149	7275	-16

Acquisitions Activities

Description	Jul 2024	Jun 2024	%chg	Jul 2023	%chg	2024 YTD	2023 YTD	%chg
Lines Ordered	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Items Ordered	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Lines Received	314	214	46	219	43	1860	2030	-9
Items Rcvd by Ven	317	215	47	220	44	1884	2071	-10
Claims	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
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Total	631	429	47	439	43	3744	4101	-9

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Reference Statistics

July 2024

	July	YTD 2024
Door Count	6253	36,779
Reference Questions	183	1302
Computer Help Over 5 Minutes	15	119
Tests Proctored	2	13
Public Computer Use: Sessions	263	1535
Public Computer Use: Hours	203	1163
Special Computer Sessions	167	889
Passports Accepted	94	597

July 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 119858 8	2 120236 4	3 120,527 6	4 CLOSED	5 120,695 1	6 (19)
7	8 121,115 5	9 121,452 7	10 121737 2	11 121997 8	12 122,220 Ø	13 (22)
14	15 122578 4	16 122,863 4	17 123151 5	18 123,466 2	19 123,690 1	20 (16)
21	22 124014 2	23 113,694 Ø	24 124691 5	25 124994 12	26 125,194 7 8	27 (27) 27
28	29 129544 129544 6	30 125,858 Ø	31 126111 4			10

July 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 7 np/ III CI IIII	2 np/ IIII CI IIII II	3 12 np/ CI IIII	4 Closed	5 6 np/ CI IIII	6 np/ CI
7	8 16 np/ CI IIII I	9 13 np/ CI IIII IIII	10 13 np/ CI IIII IIII	11 10 np/ CI IIII IIII II	12 1 np/ CI IIII II	13 r
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21	22 10 np/ CI IIII III	23 10 np/ CI IIII III	24 8 np/ CI IIII IIII	25 4 np/ CI IIII IIII	26 5 np/ CI IIII	27
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GRAL Children's Library Monthly Statistics July 2024

Online Storytime

Programs: 4

Facebook plays: 1530*

YouTube views: 3197

Total views: 4727

Artastic

Programs: 1

Facebook plays: 489

YouTube views: 61

Total views: 550

Kits handed out: 150

Programs:	<u>Date</u>	<u>Name of Program</u>	<u>Number of people</u>
	7/05	Lego Club	11
	7/11	Book Time	46
	7/12	Lego Club	19
	7/17	Will Hale & the Tadpole Parade	33
	7/18	Book Time	74
	7/19	Lego Club	26
	7/21	Peregrine Falcons with Jackie Fallon	148
	7/25	Book Time	59
	7/26	Lego Club	26
	7/29	Page Turners	6

Book Times : 3

People: 179

Library Programs: 7

People: 269

Total Programs: 10 People: 448

Reference Questions 2024: 604

Reference Questions 2023: 678

*The Meta platform has changed how they calculate Facebook viewer metric. They have changed views to plays.

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 19 Da MAPPY	2 31	3 18	4 closed	5 -12	6 80
7	8 53	9 23	10 33	11 17	12 17	13 143
14	15 210	16 18	17 35	18 27	19 14	20 126
21	22 No Madat 56	23 28	24 66	25 21	26 11	27 182
28	29 36	30 31	31 13			79

GRAND RAPIDS AREA LIBRARY: 2024 Volunteer Report

Month	Regular Volunteers		RSVP Volunteers		Library Board		Library Friends		Library Foundation		Total	Total
	# Vol	Hours	# Vol	Hours	# Vol	Hours	# Vol	Hours	# Vol	Hours	# Vol	Hours
January	22	141.75	8	101.75	7	27.00	8	43.25	1	8.00	30	243.50
February	31	159.75	7	101.25	7	27.00	11	77.50	9	20.00	38	261.00
March	24	146.25	7	65.00	7	27.00	8	50.25	2	11.00	31	211.25
April	35	187.75	8	87.25	9	29.00	11	65.25	8	17.00	43	275.00
May	28	177.50	7	108.50	7	26.00	8	95.50	2	6.00	35	286.00
June	29	157.00	6	101.50	6	26.00	10	84.25	1	6.00	35	258.50
July	36	206.25	8	111.00	7	17.00	18	137.25	1	9.00	44	317.25
August												
September												
October												
November												
December												
Total		1176.25		676.25		179.00		553.25		77.00	*	1,852.50