# Technology Notes - August 2023

- The transition to Past Perfect Online is finally complete! Our entire local history photo collection is viewable online. The site will be linked on our website very soon.
  To check it out, go to: https://kaukaunalibrary.catalogaccess.com/. All 10,536 photos are there and searchable. Big thanks to our volunteers Carol and Mary, as getting to this point would not have been possible without them.

- Conference room audio upgrades are set to be installed on August 24th & 25th.

- The next larger technology components that will need replacing in the next several years will be our self-check units and our security gates. Our current units are older 3M models. Bibliotheca bought out 3M and may no longer support its older units in the future, so it's time to start thinking about an upgrade.

- We recently had a Bibliotheca rep visit us to check out our workroom space by our book drop to take measurements for an automatic sorter bin. This ties into my point above as it would make sense to upgrade our self-checks & gates roughly around the same time the sorter is installed to ensure all three components are working together. I am working on getting quotes and learning about subscription options that they offer.

- As it is time to start looking at next years budget, my main focuses will be the replacement of adult public computers, a new laptop that will live in the conference room for programming purposes, a new fax machine, and a stock of a few emergency replacement computers to have on hand in case of a sudden failure.

- My two larger projects for this year: Migrating our files to a new server and creating a consolidated intranet site for the library are coming along nicely. I recently learned that the city is looking to do the same thing with the goal being more of a one stop location that houses both library information and city related information in the same place. We should be on track to have most of this completed by the end of this year.

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