

Director's Report to Board of Trustees April 1, 2024 Regular Meeting

(Lyla Grills Reporting)

- L Grills Meetings & Trainings Attended: MCLS Directors Council 3/6, Friends of MPL 3/12, NYLA Awards Committee 3/20
- Eclipse News: The 2050 pairs of glasses were given away from February 1 until we ran out on March 26. The majority of MCLS libraries decided to be closed on Eclipse Day. The Friends purchased MCLS Eclipse T-Shirts for the staff.
- The Town (and the Library) will begin a new payroll procedure and a new bookkeeping system in the weeks ahead.
- Interviewing for the open Library Clerk position is in progress.
- The Hold Shelf was moved and is now behind the desk.
- Lyla is part of a committee reviewing the MCLS Member Libraries' DOU for 2025-2027.
- The Friends' Spring Flower Sale is now on.

Programming Highlights for April 2024 (K.P reporting)

Kids: March found us celebrating the first day of Spring during a snowstorm at Story Time! We have grown our Story Time audience and it's wonderful to welcome new babies and their caregivers while at the same time watching our Story Time regulars step up to lead the way and help teach the songs and hand motions to our newer participants. Miss Jennifer's Firefly Friends are likewise developing strong bonds – ask our clerks – Wednesday mornings are some of our busiest and best at the library.

Moving into April, we're excited to offer several Break Week Activities, including: a special Native American Eclipse Talk, Muslim Story Time, Felting Program, Pollinator Program, Bike Safety Program, Poetry Event, and Family BINGO! We have also requested a few "Yard Games" to have on hand in our reading room over Break Week. During April, community volunteer, Jane Jezsu, will be back for a three-part hand sewing class for kids.

Teen Involvement: In March, we saw our Teen Tuesday Volunteer Time grow in numbers. Thanks to Deb D for coordinating these activities for our civic-minded teens. The artwork and decorations they're developing for our Summer Reading Program should be stellar! Speaking of art, we had several teens show up for our 6x6 Painting Workshop with Mrs. Zauski. Participants could choose whether they wanted to submit their work to the 6x6 Art Show at the Rochester Contemporary Art Show.

In April, we're hoping teens will join us for a Poetry Event, Misinformation Talk, and Travel in the Finger Lakes Talk.

Adults: Adults showed up for many of our events in March. The TV Today and Spring Clean Your Photos programs were both well attended. We're hoping to get both speakers back in the Fall. Looking ahead, in April we're excited to have a local professor speak on Misinformation, welcome back Lisa Wemett and Terry Mulee as they offer a Discovering the Finger Lakes Travel Talk and hold our first-ever Fraud Prevention Workshop hosted by NYS Division of Consumer Protection.

The panels we've displayed in March from the Erie Canal Museum will be going back to Syracuse. In April, we will share the artwork of Cathy Stewart, a new member of our community.

Enjoy the Eclipse everyone! Fingers crossed for good viewing weather. FYI, Mendon Public Library handed out over 2000 pairs of Eclipse glasses!

	Library V	Visits:							
	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Jan	3495	2912	3315	3288	3549	1763	1061	3444	3713
Feb	3582	3297	3387	3090	3292	2006	1011	3258	3928
March	4207	3917	3840	3852	1982	2776	2046	3892	
April	4311	3946	3954	4286	0	2490	1905	3765	
May	4105	3664	3629	3902	0	2203	1487	3707	
June	4069	4076	4126	3748	0	2984	1696	3652	
July	4338	4292	4741	5134	4503?	3319	1759	4139	
Aug	4801	4730	4296	4399	1982	3062	3610	4649	
Sept	3903	3383	3358	3965	3462	2587	1902	3891	
Oct	2926	3887	3766	3996	2633	2351	2000	3749	
Nov	3643	3074	3429	3328	2507	2247	3050	3532	
Dec	2539	2698	2970	2512	2108	1663	2794	3219	
Total	45919	43876	44811	45500	21515	29451	24321	44897	7641

Hard Copy Circulations:

	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Jan	7287	6973	6666	6481	6158	4690	5009	6246	5241
Feb	7376	6887	6298	5957	5502	5352	4881	5759	5054
Mar	7738	7683	7232	6393	4727	5749	6420	6290	
April	7414	6803	6996	6638	345	5400	5528	5471	
May	5923	6732	5596	5787	389	4891	5144	5713	
June	8168	7342	7018	5886	2287	6890	6784	6292	
July	9173	8405	8837	8555	4225	7412	7212	6577	
Aug	9521	8870	7881	8012	4878	6395	7279	7297	
Sept	6853	6322	5789	5820	5497	5182	5512	5338	
Oct	6558	6776	6141	6386	5631	5194	5404	5856	
Nov	6659	6597	6662	5865	5683	5607	5360	5499	
Dec	5641	5823	5647	5063	5523	4917	5158	5249	
Total	88311	85213	80763	76843	50845	67679	69691	71587	10295

Electronic Circulations:

	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Jan	892	887	991	1089	1209	1461	1498	1761	1752
Feb	795	900	974	1046	1311	1187	1431	1529	1758
Mar	891	927	960	1197	1412	1516	1522	1694	
Apr	892	921	990	1114	1687	1343	1467	1534	
May	783	878	502	1288	1864	1487	1449	1462	
June	691	841	998	1152	1872	1604	1367	1583	
July	816	946	1025	1247	1813	1589	1615	1887	
Aug	791	969	929	1163	1688	1628	1573	1766	
Sept	691	883	839	1192	1472	1424	1418	1545	
Oct	769	887	941	1199	1463	1406	1527	1556	
Nov	729	898	1104	1121	1371	1435	1552	1545	
Dec	849	854	1060	1146	1488	1387	1529	1584	
Total	9589	10791	11313	13954	18650	17467	17948	19446	3510

Hard Copy + Electronic Circulations Combined:

	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Jan	8179	7860	7657	7570	7367	6151	6507	8007	6993
Feb	8171	7787	7272	7003	6813	6539	6312	7288	6812
March	8629	8610	8192	7590	6139	7265	7942	7984	0
April	8306	7724	7986	7752	2032	6743	6995	7005	0
May	6706	7610	6098	7075	2253	6378	6593	7175	0
June	8859	8183	8016	7038	4159	8494	8151	7875	0
July	9989	9351	9862	9802	6038	9001	8827	8464	0
Aug	10312	9839	8810	9175	6566	8023	8852	9063	0
Sept	7544	7205	6628	7012	6969	6606	6930	6883	0
Oct	7327	7663	7082	7585	7094	6600	6931	7412	0
Nov	7388	7495	7766	6986	7054	7042	6912	7044	0
Dec	6490	6677	6707	6209	7011	6304	6687	6833	0
Total	97900	96004	92076	90797	69495	85146	87639	91033	13805