

## Director's Report to Board of Trustees August 4, 2025 Regular Meeting

## Lyla Grills Reporting

- Meetings and Trainings Attended: MCLS Directors Council (DC), Member Libraries Directors Council (MLDC), and System Services and Operations Council (SSOC), met with the new HR Specialist for the Town.
- Summer has been busy, fun, and successful all around! See Kelly's report and our Library Visits statistic for July, below!
- The Friends received a \$1000 donation, with the request that we use the funds to purchase books from Bleak House.
- Thanks to the Town (Kevin and Oakley) for mowing, mulching, power washing the building, and helping us with some other tasks this past month.
- Jim from LAS stopped in two times in July to help with a few tech related items: repairing the catalog computer, installing a new UPS for our server, and updating software on our laptops.
- The new solar charging and WiFi table (part of the "Wired for Opportunity" program) was installed at Vest Pocket Park.
- The carpets will be professionally cleaned on August 30. Upholstery will be cleaned by our staff cleaner with a new purchased Bissell cleaner.
- September is Library Card Sign Up Month. There will be some special social media promotions going out, a fun collaboration between numerous MCLS libraries.

## Programming Highlights for August 2025 (Kelly P. reporting)

Kids: Phew! It's been super fun at the library for "Color Our World" Summer Reading Program. So far, nearly 300 children have registered for the program. Programs have basically been full to capacity. We've enjoyed gathering at the library, outside the library, and around town. At the midway point, we've given out 625 Take & Make Craft Kits. Program attendees have included kids from our community and others who wanted to take a drive and join the fun. We've reached individuals and school groups. We've read, created, learned new things and shared some smiles.

Book circulation is brisk. The staff is working hard to make sure returned books are back on the shelves really quick. New children's books continue to arrive and are processed immediately. A patron request has led us to investigate starting a new collection. Audiobook Tonies are very popular at the Fairport and Parma libraries. We've reached out to the Tonies Company and can purchase them at a discount. The Friends are considering assisting us with this endeavor. Stay tuned.

Teen Involvement: We recently sent off our Midway Report for our RRLC Internship Grant. Basically, Emily English has been an outstanding addition to our team. Here's the summary: This

RRLC internship grant has really helped us achieve some goals and progress with teen services initiatives we had started but were lacking enough staff to have them fully come to fruition. We believe it has been a truly beneficial experience for Emily so far as well! We feel very fortunate to have this exceptional intern this summer, and we couldn't have done it without this grant. Thank you, RRLC!

At the end of July, Salvatore's donated a sheet pizza for the staff and VolunTeen group. Mike P of Salvatore's said they're celebrating a birthday and wanted to give back to the community (they also donated 150 - \$3.50 gift cards for kids that complete the Summer Reading Program). Thank you, Salvatore's.

Adults: We've had decent adult participation in our Summer Reading Programs. Most of the events have been geared toward children, but adults have very much appreciated the chance to come along and color our world, too. Additionally, Lyla and Andrea welcomed Kathleen Wakefield to our regularly scheduled Monthly Book Discussion. The attendees REALLY enjoyed talking poetry with Kathleen. As such, we're going to be running an ongoing Poetry session, the third Thursday of the month, 10 am – 11:15 am, September – December.

In other news, one of our Trustees will be honored at the HFLCSD Alumni Hall of Fame Weekend Celebration. Alicia Zysman Cromwell will be feted on September 26th and September 27th as an outstanding Alumni. Please plan to attend the Community Induction Program, Saturday, September 27th, 4 pm at the HS Cafeteria. Light refreshments will be served.

## **STATISTICS**

		Visits							
	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Jan	2912	3315	3288	3549	1763	1061	3444	3713	3288
Feb	3297	3387	3090	3292	2006	1011	3258	3928	3594
March	3917	3840	3852	1982	2776	2046	3892	4229	4189
April	3946	3954	4286	0	2490	1905	3765	4113	4061
May	3664	3629	3902	0	2203	1487	3707	3904	3526
June	4076	4126	3748	0	2984	1696	3652	3914	4015
July	4292	4741	5134	4503?	3319	1759	4139	4903	5623
Aug	4730	4296	4399	1982	3062	3610	4649	4118	
Sept	3383	3358	3965	3462	2587	1902	3891	3743	
Oct	3887	3766	3996	2633	2351	2000	3749	4194	
Nov	3074	3429	3328	2507	2247	3050	3532	3556	
Dec	2698	2970	2512	2108	1663	2794	3219	3406	
Total	43876	44811	45500	21515	29451	24321	44897	47721	28296