

Library Director's Report

June 2024

Did you know? The Library Hotel in New York City is a boutique hotel where each floor is dedicated to one of the ten major categories of the Dewey Decimal System. Each room is decorated with books and artwork related to a specific topic, creating a unique literary-themed experience for guests.!

Total Checkouts

	Jul	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	FY Total
2021-22	8,509	9,253	9,093	9,906	9,732	9,209	9,818	9,081	10,405	10,000	9,548	9,699	114,253
2022-23	10,558	11,434	9,671	10,321	9,780	9,375	11,382	9,398	10,373	8,939	9,627	9,756	120,614
2023-24	10,495	11,293	9,473	9,687	9,579	9,865	10,639	9,311	10,520	9,726	10,096		110,684
% change	1%	-1%	-2%	-6%	-2.1%	5.29%	-6.5%	-9%	1.4%	8.8%	4.9%		-8.2%

E-book only Checkouts

	Jul	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	FY Total
2021-22	1,473	1,526	1,245	1,308	1,333	1,403	1,733	1,521	1,614	1,586	1,568	1,617	17,891
2022-23	2,190	2,288	1,634	2,201	2,244	2,178	2,469	1,986	2,159	1,977	2,063	1,979	25,368
2023-24	2,320	2,401	2,115	2,229	2,078	2,241	2,555	2,287	2,491	2,513	2,408		25,638
% change	6%	5%	29%	1%	-7.4%	2.9%	3.5%	15.2%	15.4%	27.1%	16.7%		-1.1%

Public Computer and Wi-Fi Sessions

	Jul	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	FY Total
2021-22	1,384	2,043	2,153	1,852	1,323	1,682	2,217	1,331	467*	1,177	1,329	1,834	18,792
2022-23	1,431	1,793	1,350	1,158	1,248	1,146	1,402	1,366	1,651	1,751	2,054	1,657	18,007
2023-24	1,551	1,568	1,248	1,664	1,541	1,426	1,189	2,376	3,471	3,145	2,729		22,178
% change	8%	-12%	-8%	44%	23.5%	24.4%	-15.2%	73.9%	110%	95%	32.9%		23.2%

Visits

	Jul	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	FY Total
2021-22	6,669	6,378	6,366	5,923	4,799	4,635	5,360	4,931	6,270	5,702	5,772	6,581	69,386
2022-23	6,978	7,797	6,688	6,175	5,334	5,419	6,018	5,485	6,478	6,745	7,101	8,179	78,397
2023-24	7,870	8,336	7,747	6,067	6,061	6,163	5,542	6,285	8,267	7,282	7,464		77,084
% change	13%	7%	16%	-2%	12.6%	13.7%	-7.9%	14.6%	27.6%	8%	5.1%		-1.7%

WiFi Hotspot Checkouts

	Jul	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	FY Total
2023-24	n/a	n/a	n/a	123	24	28	24	26	34	26	32		317

WCCLS Activities

- All Cornelius Library staff have been migrating from using the WCCLS domain to the City of Cornelius. All Cornelius library staff's email have changed from @wcccls.org to @corneliusor.gov.

Library Activities

Youth Services

- Maria Aguilar, Youth Services Librarian, held the first Cornelius Elementary 3rd grade art reception at the library with over 40 participants.
- Centro Scholars tutoring program came to an end this month. Centro is looking at continuing the partnership with the library and expanding services to high school teens in the fall.

Adult Services

- Art Committee received 6 proposals, and five are being scheduled for their exhibition. Working with one more to complete the year exhibition for a 2-month cycle per artist.
- Comment from Artist candidate to Walters Gallery: *"Thank you so much for this invitation to submit. I am very impressed with all your library is doing to encourage the artists in our area!"* Harley Talkington
- First *Meet the Artist* featuring artist Karen Shawcross on June 8. Her artwork is currently on exhibit and available for purchase, price as marked.
- Patron shared that she has been using Libby on her own after learning how to download apps in the basic technology class. She shared, *"Thanks to Libby, I can read books in Korean now!"*

Outreach and Volunteer Services

- David Freas and Maria Aguilar met with Bryce and Courtney from WCCLS to share information about the Bookmobile and how we can partner with others to better serve the community.
- Outreach focused visits with local elementary schools in preparation for summer reading!

Administration

- Outreach Librarian, David Freas, was recognized for their 5 years of library service.
- A water leak has been resolved and the area is now accessible.
- Fernando Martinez, Volunteer and Outreach Coordinator, was accepted to be a representative to select Spanish Language material at the International Book Fair (FIL) through Oregon LIBROS program.
- Angelica and Maria conducted 3 interviews for a temporary STEM intern to support with STEM activities in the Drake Learning Center and hired former Volunteer, Yolanda Díaz-Salgado.
- Several library staff graduated from college this Spring: Congrats to Zach Abela-Gale; Juliette Salgado; Mayra Vazquez;



David Freas recognized for 5 years of library service



May Cookie Monster book drop display



Mother's Day watercolor program



ODHS worker providing outreach in the library



Summer Reading prize books purchased at COR Elementary Book Fair



David Freas and Fernando Martinez at a school outreach event



Adult program evening program: decorative baskets



Meet the Artist: Karen Shawcross June/July featured artist