

**Christine's Report
October 3, 2023**

Patrons

August: 675 (adults: 445, juveniles: 230)
(walk-in: 650, phone: 23, e-mail: 1, delivery: 1)
September: 461 (adults: 365, juveniles: 96)
(walk-in: 444, phone: 13, e-mail: 3, delivery: 1)

Computer

August: 64
September: 52

Requests for materials:

August: 80
September: 89

Circulation of materials:

July: 2062 (adult: 1105, juvenile: 872, youth: 85) 465 higher than July, 2022
August: 1929 (adult: 1079, juvenile: 793, youth: 57) 121 higher than August, 2022
September: 1,404 169 lower than September, 2022

Staff activities:

- Ordered and processed books
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- Purchased and processed dvds
- Received a large donation of dvds – have processed several to be added to our collection
- Weeded several items – poor condition, no longer circulating, content no longer relevant
- Fixed spine labels – illegible, missing # in series
- Pam posted to Facebook
- Pam worked with webmaster to update website
- Examples of assistance to patrons: Information on GOLO Diet Supplement, instructions for Yahtzee and Farkle, explanation of Dad's WWII medals, mysteries for 10 year old female, Greek mythology for juvenile male, and information about Rusk County
- Met virtually with the Polk County Library Directors
- Met virtually with Librarians from the MORE Consortium
- Met virtually with the MORE Marketing Committee – discussed possible changes to the MORE Passport Program
- 80+ children and adults attended the River Valley Raptors program
- Received \$750 from the Clear Lake Lions Club to purchase Large Print Books
- Our Usborne Book Rep raised \$232 at the Polk County Fair for us to spend on new books
- The Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction has published "What's new for the Library Annual Report". There is clarification of some questions that have been

problematic in the past. The COVID section has been removed. There are some new questions.

- Pam attended a workshop on the upcoming solar eclipses and programs that can be offered.
- Christine virtually attended WI Tech Days; Substance Abuse 101 with Ryan Dowd; Compensation Study Q & A offered by John Thompson (all Public Library Directors filled out a survey earlier this year and the results have now been compiled); Using the MORE catalog and MORE Libraries app; and New! Super Searcher Program : Training & tools to help busy library staff address misinformation
- Story time will resume Thursday, October 5th
- IFLS has posted a job description for a full time Technology Support Consultant – so hopefully the website trouble will be behind us