Christine's Report June 4, 2024

Patrons:

April: 778 (adults: 616; juveniles: 162)

(walk-ins: 729; phone: 43; e-mail: 6)

New Library Patrons: 8

May: 637 (adults: 473; juveniles: 164)

(walk-ins: 617; phone: 18; delivery: 2)

New Library Patrons: 6

Computer:

April: 48 May: 40

Requests for materials:

April: 151 May: 185

Circulation of materials:

April: 1,784 (adult: 1,090; juvenile: 632; young adult: 62)

(168 less than in 2023)

May: 1,638 (adults: 865; juvenile: 722; young adult: 51)

(96 more than in 2023)

OverDrive: April: 468 (155 more than in 2023)

May: 449 (106 more than in 2023)

Make and Take Kits:

April: 28 May: 36

Staff activities:

- Met virtually with the other Polk County Library Directors
- Ordered and processed books
- Ordered and processed books on cd
- Purchased and processed dvds
- Weeded several items poor condition, no longer circulating, content no longer relevant
- Fixed spine labels illegible; missing # in series
- Pam posted to Facebook
- Pam held story times

- Pam virtually attended website training
- Pam has hired Summer Reading Performers 2 of the performances will be at the Elementary School; 4 performances will be at the Chalet
- We will be offering a science program called Monday Marvels in July and August
- Pam met with Marci Meyer regarding our Summer offerings and Marci will pass the information on to teachers and students
- Pam and Christine gathered materials for Smokey Bear Challenge we will run it June 1st to August
- MORE Passport Program begins June 1st This is the 3rd year for this program
- Examples of reference transactions: Edible weeds, natural remedies, help with Libby, turkey hunting, Wisconsin town names, Summer Reading Programs at libraries, book recommendations for 4th grade male – not sports, book recommendations for 6th grade female, help getting WI State Park Pass, Inspirational books for a book club
- Christine attended the webinar "Story time solutions with CATS and Paw Prints Publishing".
- Christine attended the webinar "Page-turning Picture Books" and learned about books being published by Tundra Books, Macmillan, Simon & Schuster, Hachette Book Group, and Albatros.
- We participated in the IFLS Delivery Study. This helps IFLS determine if there are any ongoing problems with WALTCO, our delivery service.
- Christine met with the other MORE Library Directors. MORE Budget hearing is scheduled for June 14th. Voting on the 2025 MORE Budget will take place on July 19th.