

WATERFORD TOWNSHIP PUBLIC LIBRARY

Director's Report - May 2023

FROM THE DIRECTOR

This month, as in years past, was quieter as we transition from programs offered during the school year to the annual Summer Reading Club programs for all ages. Preschool storytime sessions are on hiatus until the fall.

We hosted this year's second Member Orientation Luncheon for the Waterford Area Chamber of Commerce. Turnout was strong, as always. Many of the members who participated took advantage of this opportunity to do a bit of networking with other members following the informational presentation.

A couple of projects to improve the building and grounds took place this month. The lights on the light poles in the parking lot were upgraded increasing the illumination in this area while taking advantage of upgrades in LED technology. Several of the bollard lights along the walkway were replaced, again taking advantage of improvements in LED technology. The balance of these lights will be completed once the timber borders on the beds of the Children's Sensory Garden have been replaced. Part of the upgrade with this last set of bollards includes troubleshooting issues with the wiring for the section nearest to the entrance to the Library. Finally, the semi-annual carpet and upholstery cleaning took place as well.

The Library participated in the annual Memorial Day Parade on Dixie Highway with our Outreach Services Delivery van once again serving as our entry.

SERVICE UPDATES

The following Service Updates are highlights by our department heads of activities their staff have been involved in this month.

Adults, Outreach, & Teens Services

Submitted by J. Hansen, Head of Adults' & Outreach Services

The quote from Library Design Associates for new furniture for the adult dept. and the Conference Room finally got signed and returned back to them.

I got the adult summer reading challenge for 2023 set up in beanstack and ready for patrons to use.

Mary continued weeding the 500s and also started weeding the travel guides.

Outreach circulation detail		Home or Mini-Branch Visits with Materials	
Materials delivered to homes	145	Homebound Visits	26
Materials used at mini-branches	170	Senior sites - mini-branch collection rotation: Fox Manor & Mendelson	2
TOTAL	315	TOTAL	28

Children's Services

Submitted by C. Walker, Head of Children's Services

May was the last month for the Scavenger Hunt and Guessing jar games until fall. May participants: 122 for the Guessing Jar, and 26 for the Scavenger Hunt.

Ten books were given away to children in the 1,000 Books before Kindergarten program. Three of the children reached their 1,000-book goal.

We gave away about 150 comic books during Comic Book Day, a collaborative program with the adult and teen departments. Students were able to pick out 2 comic books each.

We held our last Family Library Night of the school year with the families and staff of Schoolcraft Elementary School. About 71 new cards were issued to students, siblings, and parents. Most of them were preregistered.

During May, the children's librarians were busy planning and prepping for the summer reading program.

Circulation Services

Submitted by J. Deahl, Circulation Services Coordinator & Page Supervisor

At the end May two of our employees, Part-Time Circulation Clerk Ali R. and Library Page Molly N., tendered their resignations. Ali's last day will be Sunday, June 11 and Molly's last day will be Thursday, June 15. I have already reviewed both job postings in hopes of being able to fill both positions quickly.

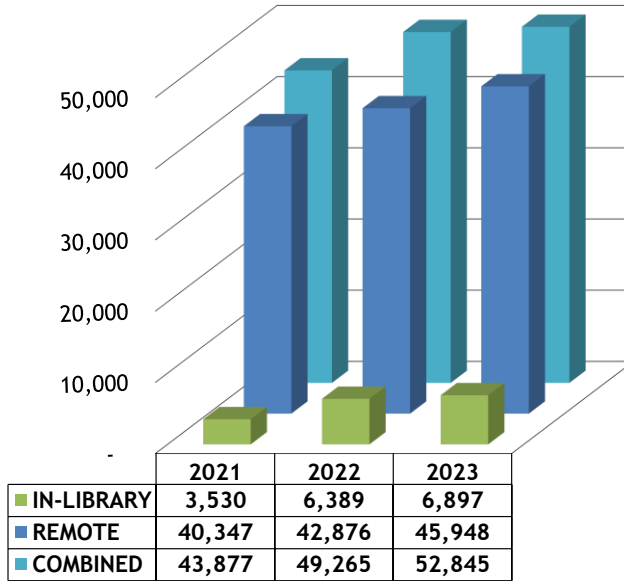
DONATIONS THIS MONTH

Total: \$25

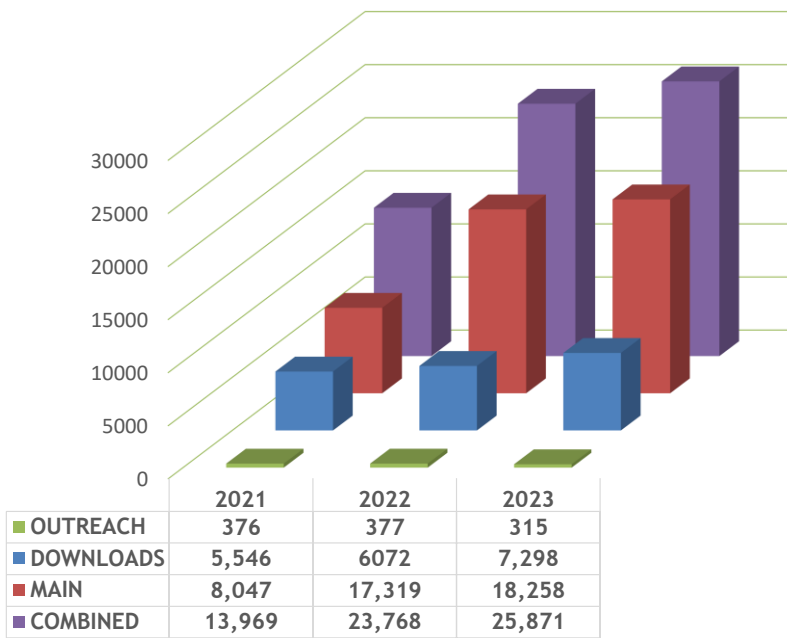
- \$25 - Library Garden Club

PROGRAMS	PARTICIPANTS
ADULTS	
Waterford Genealogy Society - Afternoon meeting	19
Waterford Genealogy Society - Evening meeting via Zoom	6
Evening Book Discussion	5
Afternoon Book Discussion	9
Weekly Knitting Group (5 sessions)	68
Waterford Writers Workshop	8
Library Garden Club	27
Jigsaw Puzzle Competition	16
WACC Member Orientation Luncheon	22
Free Comic Book Day - giveaway	45
Free Comic Book Day Trivia Quiz	20
Movie Matinee - <i>The Sound of Metal</i>	6
Ask the Tech Guy	3
TOTAL	254
TEENS	
Free Comic Book Day - giveaway	67
TOTAL	67
CHILDREN	
Free Comic Book Day	75
Schoolcraft Elementary Family Library Visit	150
TOTAL	225
TOTAL PROGRAM PARTICIPATION	
FACEBOOK REACH/DAY (“The number of people show were served any activity from your Page”)	159

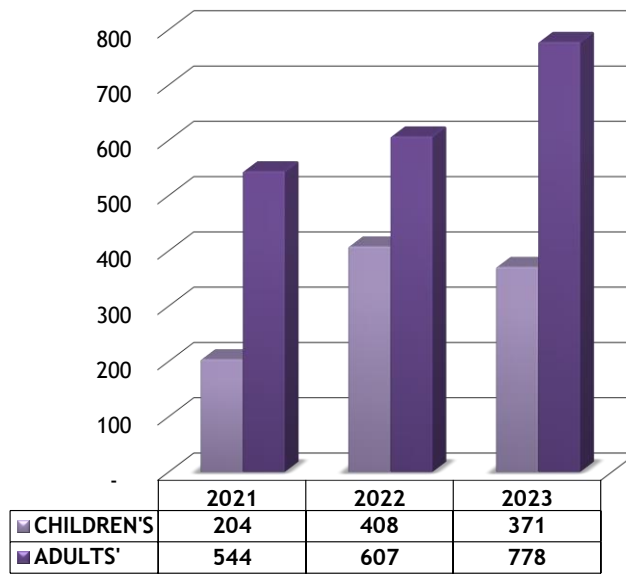
LIBRARY VISITS - MAY 2023



CHECKOUTS - MAY 2023



REFERENCE - MAY 2023



COLLECTION - MAY 2023



(This chart is a snapshot in time)