

Lisle Free Library – Director’s Report

Reporting: September 2023

Programming:

Book Club: Participation and attendance in Book Club remains steady. Next month’s meeting is Wednesday, October 25th @ 6:00pm and will discuss a small collection of witch themed books, including “In Defense of Witches” by Mona Chollet (nonfiction) and “The Witches, Salem 1692” by Stacy Schiff (fiction). This meeting is part of the Haunted Week list of events and will be hosted by Emily Y in the Director’s absence.

Haunted Week: Our staff members have organized several passive activities to host during our annual Haunted Week, including a skeleton key game and scavenger hunt, which will run from Wednesday, 10/25 – Tuesday, 10/31. Also, staff members will try to host a Trick-Or-Treat event at the Library on Saturday, October 28 to dovetail the Trunk – Or – Treat being held at the Lisle Fire Station.

Trustees are encouraged to donate bags of candy for our annual Trick-Or-Treater party.

Patron Conduct:

Staff reported fewer incidents of inappropriate behavior on Library property this past month. Such behavior continues to include playing inappropriate video games on the public computers and smoking on the back ramp. Staff, trustees, and other volunteers have remained diligent in addressing and monitoring the situation. New signs have been posted around the property reaffirming that the enter premise is a tobacco-free area.

Modifications to the Patron Code of Conduct policy were proposed earlier this month by email. A draft is included with my report for Board consideration.

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MONTH				BOOKS OUT					AUDIO			ILL STATS		TECHNOLOGY		
	ATTEND	?	MAT'L	AN	JN	AF	JF	MAGS	ADULT	JUV.	TOTAL	IN	OUT	COM	WIFI	WPV
Sept 2022	316	63	71	9	26	178	186	0	20	8	427	299	223	51	270	43
Oct 2022	307	53	60	28	12	154	111	1	14	1	321	226	180	39	217	50
Nov 2022	257	63	62	48	10	139	54	1	19	1	272	178	205	37	240	32
Dec 2022	184	44	24	22	5	151	55	2	9	3	247	194	141	13	248	10
Jan 2023	195	51	24	20	11	210	149	0	6	8	404	306	165	13	279	36
Feb 2023	234	55	51	22	18	156	89	1	16	0	302	22	213	34	280	84
Mar 2023	343	89	76	24	32	187	153	7	10	3	416	58	292	56	310	33
Apr 2023	330	64	60	43	17	159	125	0	12	8	364	61	209	47	270	28
May 2023	308	62	69	37	13	174	104	1	8	1	338	53	207	54	310	31
June 2023	420	83	85	26	23	172	110	3	24	8	366	66	221	68	270	31
July 2023	427	69	65	30	21	197	209	3	7	9	476	63	206	48	279	175
Aug 2023	508	87	90	35	26	247	188	5	8	2	511	48	229	72	372	144
Sept 2023*															300	119

* Statistics will be made available at November Board meeting, pending the Director’s return from maternity leave.