

Winslow Public Library Monthly Report – August 2022

As part of the revamp of this report most tables will display statistics for 12 months. The exception being Library Income which will display amounts for the current Fiscal Year.

Materials Added and Weeded from The Collection

Month	Adult Fiction	Adult Non-Fiction	Juv. Fiction	Juv. Non-Fiction	YA Fiction	YA Non-Fiction	Audio Books	DVD/Videos	Items Weeded
Sep-21	58	9	33	10	0	0	2	1	121
Oct-21	29	15	35	12	2	3	4	0	100
Nov-21	25	15	31	8	3	1	7	14	4
Dec-21	35	14	21	12	7	2	7	10	103
Jan-22	35	9	39	15	6	1	6	0	67
Feb-22	14	11	34	16	2	0	6	0	1
Mar-22	37	13	1	0	0	0	5	2	90
Apr-22	34	9	0	5	34	6	3	1	184
May-22	43	25	26	2	15	1	5	10	87
Jun-22	33	14	25	3	1	1	4	0	96
Jul-22	44	8	31	2	8	0	6	0	110
Aug-22	9	1	1	0	1	0	0	1	97
Total	387	142	276	85	78	15	55	38	963

Due to the in-progress changeover of library circulation program we cannot provide updated information on collection size and value at this time

Collection Value: \$831,592 Total number of items in collection: 41,314

Circulation Statistics

Date	Check-Outs	Renewals	Cloud Library	Kanopy	Total Check-Outs	ILL-Borrowed	ILL -Loaned	Total ILL
Sep-21	1579	289	24	60	1952	262	150	412
Oct-21	1514	205	44	37	1800	245	150	395
Nov-21	1547	250	19	50	1866	232	164	396
Dec-21	1399	374	17	41	1831	217	129	346
Jan-22	1483	289	48	30	1850	204	171	375
Feb-22	1542	308	33	39	1922	196	216	412
Mar-22	1675	275	28	24	2002	335	195	530
Apr-22	1404	273	31	39	1747	237	128	365
May-22	1563	325	35	24	1947	285	161	446
Jun-22	1765	271	29	23	2088	226	147	373
Jul-22	1862	355	39	39	2295	239	137	376
Aug-22	1702	237	45	52	2036	216	149	365
Total	19035	3451	392	458	23336	2894	1897	4791

Patron Statistics

Month	New	Adults	New Children	New Teachers	New Non-Residents	New ILL Library	New Patrons Total	Total Patrons Winslow pop. 7,952	Patron Visits
Sep-21	6	4	0	1	0	✓	11	2,383	809
Oct-21	7	2	1	1	0	✓	11	2,394	862
Nov-21	5	3	0	0	0	✓	8	2,402	843
Dec-21	12	1	0	0	1	✓	14	2,402	862
Jan-22	6	0	0	1	0	✓	7	2,409	765
Feb-22	8	3	1	1	0	✓	13	2,422	899
Mar-22	11	1	0	4	0	✓	16	2,454	1,380
Apr-22	10	5	2	1	0	✓	18	2,490	1,365
May-22	8	4	0	0	0	✓	12	2,502	1,476
Jun-22	27	5	0	2	0	✓	34	2,536	1,601
Jul-22	24	7	0	2	1	✓	34	1,668	411
Aug-22	14	0	0	2	0	✓	16	1,990	421
Total	124	35	4	13	2		178	26062	11273

Weekly visitor average for the Fiscal Year	Weekly visitor average for the last month
421	430

Reference Statistics

Month	Total Tech Questions	Other Questions	Total Questions
Sep-21	6	130	✓ 178
Oct-21	23	114	✓ 172
Nov-21	12	132	✓ 177
Dec-21	13	91	✓ 136
Jan-22	10	93	✓ 170
Feb-22	19	92	✓ 165
Mar-22	23	142	✓ 209
Apr-22	21	123	✓ 215
May-22	15	113	✓ 223
Jun-22	18	144	✓ 249
Jul-22	37	133	✓ 261
Aug-22	36	155	✓ 265
	197	1307	2155

Programming, Space Usage, & Volunteering

Month	Adult Programs	Adult Program Attendance	Children's Programs	Children's Program Attendance	Youth Programs	Youth Program Attendance	Outreach Visits	Outreach Attendance	Special Event Attendance
Sep-21	3	13	3	47	1	19	0	0	0
Oct-21	2	26	4	36	2	60	0	0	0
Nov-21	3	15	5	50	1	65	0	0	0
Dec-21	3	23	5	219	3	21	0	0	0
Jan-22	2	7	4	62	1	5	0	0	0
Feb-22	3	24	4	36	1	10	0	0	0
Mar-22	5	56	19	59	5	24	0	0	0
Apr-22	5	19	20	112	1	4	0	0	0
May-22	3	10	7	80	3	16	0	0	0
Jun-22	3	41	15	215	5	27	0	0	0
Jul-22	2	24	23	147	1	7	0	0	0
Aug-22	2	47	23	157	0	0	0	0	0
Total	34	258	109	1063	24	258	0	0	0

Month	Total Program Participation	Total Programs	Displays & Exhibits	Use Meeting Room & Other Spaces	Volunteer Hours	Number of Volunteers
Sep-21	7	0	3	4	13	3
Oct-21	8	7	1	2	9	3
Nov-21	9	8	2	8	3.5	3
Dec-21	11	150	1	8	10.5	3
Jan-22	7	11	2	0	14.5	3
Feb-22	8	7	3	2	2	3
Mar-22	29	8	2	27	8	3
Apr-22	26	29	5	193	7	3
May-22	13	26	4	258	6	3
Jun-22	23	13	5	231	6.5	3
Jul-22	256	23	6	265	42	6
Aug-22	171	26	7		38	6
Total	568	308	41	998	160	42

Volunteers in August

- Phoenix Sunderman – Youth
- Nova Sunderman – Youth
- Lucy Bonacci – Youth
- Reese Siodia – Youth
- Angie Moore – Youth
- John Champagne – Adult

Summer Reading Program Wrap-Up

The main goal of the program was to keep students engaged with reading and learning while also exploring the world around them. Those who completed all three trackers did a total of forty-five activities this summer!

- The 2022 Summer Reading Program's theme was "Oceans of Possibilities".
- It ran for 11 weeks, from June 13th until August 26th.
- Students could complete activity trackers, with each tracker requiring fifteen activities.
- At the end of each tracker students received a reward.
- A new ocean themed craft was available every other Monday starting on June 13th (

Each tracker required participants to complete activities from a provided list. The list consisted of activities such as: read for twenty minutes, go for a walk/hike with your family, cook a new recipe, read an award book, read a graphic novel, read about the ocean, listen to an audio book, play a board game with your family, and attend a library program.

Year	Age Range	Participants	Students earning 1st prize	Students earning 2nd prize	Students earning 3rd prize
2022	5 months to 15 years	93	44	32	28
2021	2 years to 15 years	76	19	13	NA

Crafts & Activities available in the library over the summer:

- The first craft was a paper bowl jellyfish. A paper bowl was covered with a coffee filter and holes were punched into the perimeter of the bowl. From there crafters were able to decorate the jellyfish and attach different colored yarns as tentacles. This craft was offered for a total of five days. Thirty-four kids and four adults made the jellyfish craft.

- The Decorate a Seashell craft consisted of providing crafters with small white seashells to decorate with paint pens, paper scraps, and stick-on jewels. It was offered for six days. Fifty kids and twelve adults made this craft. This was an extremely popular activity!
- The paper plate seashell weaving craft provided crafters with a paper plate that was cut into the shape of a seashell and had holes at the top and bottom to weave yarn through. Markers, crayons, and multi-colored paper scraps were provided to decorate the shells in addition to being able to weave designs. This craft was offered for eight days. Thirty-eight kids and eight adults participated in this craft.
- For the starfish frame craft, crafters were given a craft stick frame to decorate with starfish, seashells, and stick-on jewels. This craft was offered for eight days. Twenty-nine kids and sixteen adults made this craft.
- The paper plate fish craft provided crafters with a blank paper plate fish to collage with assorted colors of tissue paper squares. Googly eyes were also provided. This craft was offered for eight days. Thirty-two kids and nine adults participated in this craft.
- The final craft offered was another collaging activity, this time on construction paper starfish and sea turtles. Crafters were given the choice of either a starfish or a sea turtle and glue, pompoms, buttons, googly eyes, and stick-on jewels to create one-of-a-kind sea creature art. This craft was offered for three days. Nineteen kids and seven adults participated in this craft.
- The Lego Free Build program was offered every Tuesday and Thursday from 9 to 5 for the duration of the Summer Reading Program. Over the course of those twenty-one days, one hundred sixty-three kids and forty-seven adults, built Lego creations.
- At the end of the event, there was a raffle for the inflatable sea creatures used to decorate the circulation desk. Out of those who completed all three prize trackers, six names were drawn at random to win the whale, shark, seahorse, dolphin, fish, or octopus.

Based on participation statistics and feedback from those who participated, this year's summer reading program was definitely a success. Parents appreciated the simplicity of the trackers, the crafts being available all day for multiple days, and the variety of tracker activities that allowed kids of all ages and abilities to fully participate. At least two parents asked if there was a Prize Tracker 4, so that may be an idea for next year.

Other News

The software the library uses for our circulation and cataloging was changed by our consortium (MILs) in August.

This created challenges and opportunities:

- We were unable to catalog items in August and as a result we did not purchase books in August.
- We were unable to issue new patron cards for a week.
- The changeover caused disruption in our hours of operation, as the staff needed down time to implement and learn the new software.
- Currently patrons can not borrow materials from Minerva our URSUS library (2 other consortiums in the state). We hope this will change by the end of the month.
- We changed our lending period for books from 2 to 3 week to match the other libraries in the MILS consortium.
- We have a new library catalog, which will allow us to customize the catalog's webpage and better serve our patrons needs.

Starting Friday, September 9th the library will be discontinuing our curbside pick-up service. Instead, the library will be open from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Fridays, so patrons can come-in and enjoy the library. Patrons who are uncomfortable entering the library, are encourages to utilize our after-hours pick-up lockers.

I would like acknowledge Lauren Vensel for reorganizing the summer reading program this year. She went beyond her duties as a part-time cataloger to ensure that Winslow students kept up their reading skills over the summer. Amy and Hilary also went out of their way to make sure the children had an outstanding experience.

All three "library ladies" efforts ensured that the change to a new circulation program went smoothly, while also dealing with an increasing number of patrons, renovations to the building and limited staffing hours due to our open 40-hr a week position. All three exemplify professionalism and a dedication to service.