

## Director's Report

March 20, 2024

We had two well attended children's programs during the month of March. Jill presented "balloon powered vehicles" and "clay creations". The library is also prepared for the April 8<sup>th</sup> total eclipse. We are passing out free- of- charge eclipse glasses. I attended an on-line eclipse activity training session. We have a boxed kit of stories and activities. We will advertise borrowing and making the kit available for the kids.

On April 18<sup>th</sup> the first in-person (since Covid), summer reading program will be held at the Finger Lakes Library System. I will be attending and starting to pull together four summer programs. We hope to get some good performer information. The Rosamund Gifford Zoo program might be our kick off program.

The New York State 2023 Annual Report has been submitted. Heather is working on pulling together annual report information, to create fresh easy- to- read publicity for the community. Our circulation counts remain stable, with a slight increase in on-line services.

Finally, we are keeping self- directed games and crafts available in the library basement. We have children and young adults coming and going downstairs. They seem to enjoy stopping off, chatting and relaxing. It's great to see! We are still continuing to increase our collection of graphic and manga books. These books are attractive to our younger readership, and we look forward to increasing our collection. We have also noticed that our younger readers like the read- along with audio "Wonderbooks". We'll plan to increase the audio books. It's nice to be planning for summer programs, increasing our popular collections and waiting for warmer weather!

Respectfully submitted,

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