

## CHERRY VALLEY MEMORIAL LIBRARY DIRECTOR'S REPORT

### 3rd QUARTER JUL 1 to SEP 30, 2022

- CIRCULATION of physical items: 437+509+494=1440
- DOWNLOAD ZONE: E-books & Audiobooks: 61+57+75=193
- INTERLIBRARY LOAN: BORROWED 85+84+113+282, LOANED 32+48+49+129
- HOOPLA: usage for JUL (10 TV shows), AUG (1 Audiobook, 9 TV shows), SEP (2 Audiobooks, 1 Binge Pass, 2 E-books, 2 Movies, 12 TV shows).  
Total 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter usage: 39. CVML is signed up to participate in HOOPLA for a third year. We currently have \$6.23 remaining as of 9/30/22 in our HOOPLA account.
- # PEOPLE visiting the library in person: 183(JUL)+ 265(AUG)+ 207(SEP) = 655
- # COMPUTER USERS: 35
- #WI-FI USERS: 91 [average # of connected users according to Meraki wireless statistics]
- #WEB SITE 381 page views

We are maintaining social distancing, and hand sanitizing requirements. Mask wearing is recommended in indoor public spaces. We are leaving our plexiglass window in place at the Main Desk. The Otsego County website is no longer posting the rate of transmission due to the preponderance of unreported positive home covid test results. The rate of transmission is probably higher than what has been reported to the Otsego County Department of Health.

For JUN/JUL, we had a "just for fun" questionnaire of what's on your mind. Library patrons who chose to participate filled out empty brain pictures with a few words or doodles. Entries were placed in a 3-ring binder for everyone to browse. 7 items appeared.

Our Summer Reading Program ran from 6/22 to 8/22. 258 Take & Make invitations were sent to CV-SCS school kids in Pre K through 6<sup>th</sup> grade to join our SRP, **Oceans of Possibilities**. 13 completed Makes made it back to the library. We had 17 participants in our SRP who read a total of 271 books. The kids did a great job decorating their cigar box treasure chests and filling them with loot they earned by reading. Our 1000 piece, theme-related, lighthouse puzzle is still being worked on. The 2023 theme is **All Together Now: Kindness/Friendship/Unity**.

We have requested a replacement for our oldest patron PC in the next round of 4CLS grant funding. 4CLS is not sure when it will arrive. Still waiting as of 9/30/2022.

School Tax bills for 2022 including our new library tax hit mailboxes as of SEP 1.

The library has acquired a couple of free, "new-to-us" items: a paper shredder and a wooden, 3-tier folding book case. The case was used for a September free book giveaway and will be used temporarily as needed for other displays and/or giveaways.

Our NYS Construction Grant is completed. A new step ladder is needed for ease in removing the filter on our air conditioner/heat pump for cleaning.

Former CV resident, Jim Kosinski, donated a copy of his new book, Maine Coast Outings on Penobscot Bay for All Ages and Abilities, to the library.

Our Board members volunteered some of their time to prune the crabapple trees on the library lawn. The dead tree behind the library will be removed by a professional when the work can be scheduled.

Volunteers, Karen Kremer and Elisabeth Crady, are coming in weekly to help with different library projects (shelving, weeding books, spine labeling, special projects, light cleaning and window washing).

Claire Ottman    September 30, 2022