

Director's Report
Clinton Community Library
March 11,2019

Circulation/Data: We have 882 addresses on our email list.

Electronic resources: In 2018 we circulated 2059 e-books. So far in 2019 we have circulated 347. 1165 audio books were circulated in 2018. In 2019, 229 were circulated. I haven't purchased e-video on Overdrive but our patrons borrowed 6 in 2018 and have borrowed 9 so far in 2019. E-magazines had a total of 297 checkouts in 2018. So far in 2019, 75 magazines have been checks out in the Libby app. (Triple where we were last year)

In house circulation: Clinton circulated 1791 items in February 2019. Our highest circulating items were adult fiction (508) and dvd's (485). The February 2018 circulation was 1512., and dvd's were the highest circulating items (513).

This makes sense since it's been a process of learning which books our patrons want to borrow and getting into a better system of ordering the books when they come out. This was and is much easier to do with popular movies.

I have started to be able to diversify ordering large print and books on cd by signing up with book sellers. We are also working on creating an account with Ingram. Our accounts come with the beginnings of processing done so it saves staff time and is much easier to get them into our collection quicker.

On March 1st we launched the availability of Kanopy. This is a video streaming service which acts as a \$2 charge per download for us. We have limited the service to our home library patrons. They can check out 8 programs a month. Once a video is downloaded the patron has it for 72 hours. This company offers indie and foreign films, documentaries, great courses etc.

Staffing: Our new clerk Tracie is working out very well. Patrons seem to really enjoy interacting with her. I have not yet replaced the clerk who worked the Friday evening/ Saturday morning shifts. The staff and I are currently alternating to cover these shifts. I am posting the position this week.

Programs: The programs are very successful. Attendance has increased in the yoga and tai chi classes. The Tea Time book club has also had a large turnout of 12-16 participants. Story time continues to add new participants. The staff and I are beginning to work on scheduling the summer reading program activities. Our March Contra dance was the best yet! We had 46 attendees and actually made money!

Other bits and pieces: MHLS is in the process of renewing the contract with the company that provide our Sierra circulation system. Therefore, the system is beginning to be continually upgraded to make it more user friendly. This is very exciting in the library world! For instance we should be using auto renewal by late Spring.

I had a volunteer meeting on March 7th. 2 people showed up and volunteered to do several things around the library that will be very helpful. There is another meeting scheduled on March 21 at 6:30.

I should be hearing from the Stewart's Holiday Match program in March. I have submitted an intent to apply letter to MHLS for our Outreach grant for Optimistic Aging. I will be contacting Berkshire Taconic to submit our application for that program again. The follow up paperwork for that grant is due May 1.

A newsletter was mailed to all the Town residents on February 25th.

The annual report needs to be approved at this meeting. It was submitted to MHLS on February 15.

Attached is a schedule of Trustee trainings at MHLS.

A Dutchess Trustee gathering will take place at Morton Library, in Rhinecliff, on May 9th.

Respectfully submitted,

Teresa McGuirk