

Director Report May 15

March

- We received the Arts Council of Wyoming County Grant for 3 Seneca Nation Led programs. The programs will cost \$1,650.00. The grant covers \$1,398 and the library will pay \$252.00.
- The Allegany County Area Foundation grant was applied for this grant and will be for \$751. The library will pay \$100. This is for 2 additional security cameras, summer reading program items, yoga class supplies and 2 pop up shelters.
- The Yoga program is working out well. After talking with participants, we will be hosting classes every Thursday from now on.
- Throughout the last several months Julie has held several Storytimes, Participation is not where we would like it so we will be discontinuing this program.
- Currently we are working on a new community idea. This is called Best Day Box. Julie had come up with and created this program.
- The Website was updated.
- We have pulled a weeding list together for the adult fiction section of the library for books that have not been checked out in the last 7 years. We will begin weeding this section so that we can move towards more popular reading materials.
- I will also be applying for the Foundation for Southern Tier Libraries grant for 3 additional programs: A didgeridoo show \$500, Mushroom Class \$300, and a cookie Class \$525.
- We held 10 Programs with 65 people in attendance.

April

- We received the Allegany County Area Foundation Grant: All items have been purchased and have arrived.
- I wrote a grant for the Foundation for Southern Tier Libraries for \$1,105.00. To cover the cost of the Didgeridoo Down Under show, A rug braiding class, and 6 Cooking Classes from June to November.
- We started the construction on the GVRR Grant: I presented it at the town of Genesee board meeting to update them. I have worked with code enforcement and the contractor every step of the way. Phase 1 is started and completed. Phase 2 has started. I also met with Gina who is the national historical person helping us with registration for the building.
- We worked on cleaning up workflows a lot this month and cleaning the building.
- Programs went great all month.
- We held 12 programs with 77 people in attendance.

May

- GVRR phase 2 is complete: I have been over around 10 hours so far in meetings with this project that I have not billed the library yet. Both phase 1 & 2 invoices have been passed on to the town and have been paid.
- We received the Foundation for Southern Tier Libraries grant not in the full amount. However, they granted us \$900. \$550 is spent on the Didgeridoo Down Under show, the rug braider has been in a car accident. I have reached out to the foundation to see how they would like us to proceed.
- May 21 is the school vote. This is our primary funding source. Please tell people to spread the word.
- The Farmers market days are set for June 22, July 20, August 24 and September 21. Time is from 9-1. Julie is having a very hard time finding vendors, so we are opening it up to anyone who would like to come, garage sales, fundraising, booster clubs, anyone that wants to participate. (EDIT- Julie has a lead and connection with Alfred Farm Market)
- The best day box idea was started by Julie and has worked out well. We have distributed 2 boxes so far and are hoping this will pick up as more people know about the program.
- This month we have 11 programs planned and so far, 37 participants.
- In June we have 7 programs planned. Father's Day, 2 cooking classes and 4 yoga classes. We are taking a light month as we head into the summer programs.
- I will be on vacation for the following shifts 7/1, 7/3 I will be back for the kickoff of Summer Reading. Heather will be covering my shifts while I am gone. As always, I will be a text message or phone call away.
- We scheduled for a summer employee for 5 hours a week for 6 weeks. I would like to open this small job opportunity up to the public to anyone with working papers. This would be a great opportunity for the youth in the area. We have a few youths that have been in the summer program, this would be a great for them as well. Julie and I will do the interview process together.
- I am currently working on paperwork history, filing and soon we will be digitizing our documents, Manley grant and the walmart spark donation.
- We have also created and the Community picnic flyers and are starting to gather donations.
- I spent one morning weeding all the new flower beds so far it looks like we have great growth returning, we will see as the season progresses.
- The Manley Grant I'm working on will be solely for the purpose of upgrading our water system. I have noticed that the discharge is getting quite bad.
- The town of Genesee requested the building for the night of May 28th for their board meeting to be here at the library at this time I will update them on the GVRR Grant and the new prospect of the water system issues.
- *(want to let them know about the Democrats sending \$50 and wanting to support some things, plus building use? Since I am now on committee, I can suggest things, but can't vote myself on any motions I make for us) - julie*