

## **Director's Report – Clarence Public Library**

### **June 27, 2022**

#### **Financial:**

The monthly financial statements are included in the board packets. The latest payroll report was sent by Tracy Palicki on 6/10 and covers through pay period 11. At this time, we have a projected ending balance of \$19,749.21 for our payroll. This figure will decrease as the year progresses.

#### **Account Balances:**

County Checking:	\$15,982.32
Trustees Checking:	\$7,447.95
Savings:	\$175,724.77

## **Circulation, Patron Count and Programming Summary**

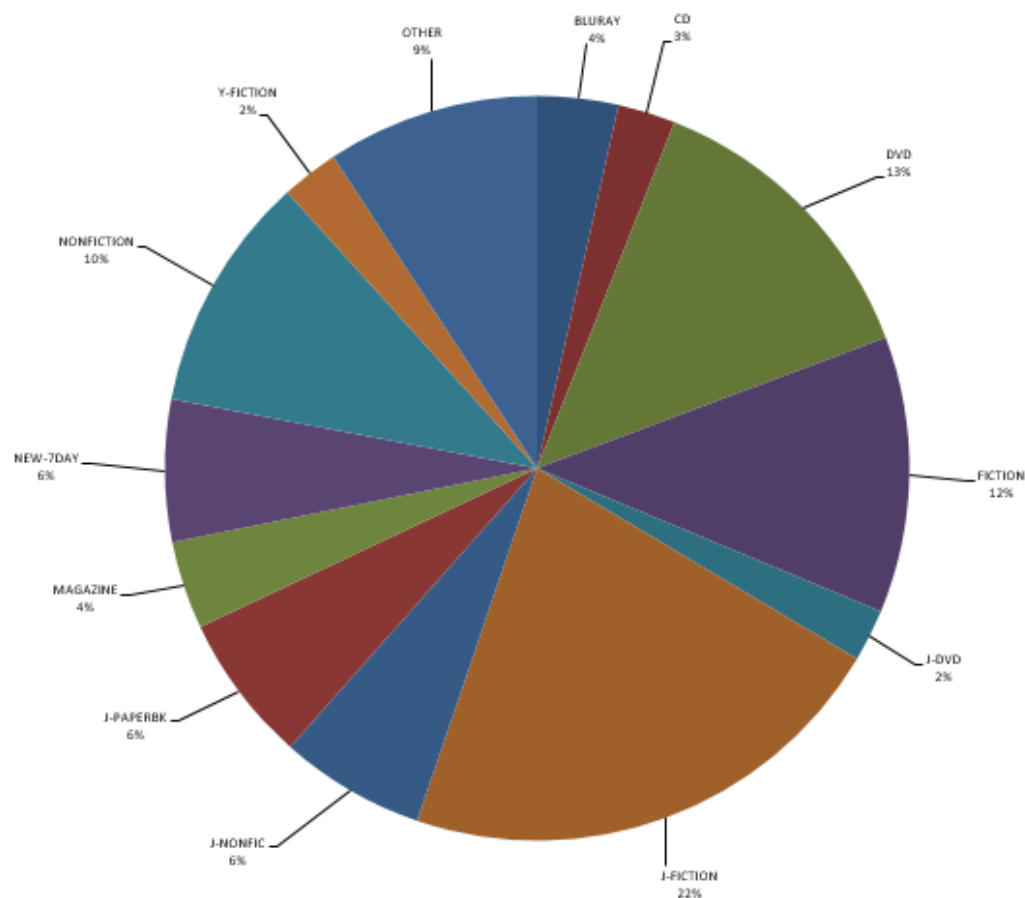
#### **Circulation**

May 2022 Circulation:	8,143
May 2021 Circulation:	10,528
	-22.7% percent change

(Note – Clarence Library was closed April 23 – May 16 for carpet replacement)

January-May 2022	54,793
January-May 2021	55,886
	-2.0% percent change

- Maximum circulation this month: 566 on May 31, 2022
- Maximum Circulation this year: 1,153 on April 14, 2022
- Maximum in 2021: 1,027 on 7/6/2021
- Average Circulation per day in May was 340.
- Clarence was ranked 13<sup>th</sup> in circulation overall for May 2022.
- Clarence was ranked 8<sup>th</sup> in circulation overall for May 2021.



## Library Visits

May 2022 Visitor Count 2,010

May 2021 Visitor Count 4,903

-59.0% percent change

(Note – Clarence Library was closed April 23 – May 16 for carpet replacement)

January-May 2022 21,812

January-May 2021 22,557

-3.3% percent change

- Maximum Visitor Count in May 2022: 250 on May 27

- Maximum in one day in 2022: 380 on February 22
- Maximum Library Visits in one day in 2021: 448 on 7/6/2021
- The average visits per day in May 2022 was 167
- Clarence was ranked 26<sup>th</sup> for Library Visits in May 2022.
- Clarence was ranked 8<sup>th</sup> for Library Visits in May 2021.

#### Public Access Computer Sessions

May 2022	144
May 2021	440
	-67.3% percent change

(Note – Clarence Library was closed April 23 – May 16 for carpet replacement)

#### WIFI

May 2022	639
May 2021	1,124
	-43.1% percent change

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#### Clarence Public Library Programming

#### May 2022

**In Library programs:**                      Programs                      Attendance

For children 5 & under		
For children 6-12		
For teens	2	14
Intergenerational		

For Adults	2	28
<b>In Library One-on-One Programs:</b>		
	Programs	Attendance
For children 5 & under		
For children 6-12	2	2
For teens	15	15
Intergenerational		
For Adults	1	1

**There were two outreach events in May. Lori Borgman at the TownPlace Pavilion with 19 in attendance and our table at Bark in the Park with 50 raffle tickets sold.**

### **Items of Note:**

The circulation, patron visit, computer and WiFi usage statistics were all down in May due to the Clarence Library being closed the first half of the month. We did have a successful Red Cross Blood Drive on May 27. Monica Mooney, Sarah McLean-Plunkett and Judy Hilburger represented the Friends of the Library and Clarence Library at the Bark in the Park. We sold fifty raffle tickets for a “canine” theme basket and talked to people about some of our upcoming summer programs at the library, including our basket raffle, chicken BBQ and Pollinator series.

On June 2, the Garden Friends of Clarence and Beverly Eberz from the Friends of the Library planted a “Stumpery”/”Bog garden in the area where the waterfall was previously located. The area is a lovely shade habitat for ferns, mosses and companion plants and a beautiful arrangement of natural logs and stumps. You may even find a frog or two in the area!

We began offering programs upon our re-opening and offered several children’s programs including Kidding Around Yoga and Story Time. We also hosted Clarence School District’s Family Support Center Parent Night on June 6 and the FSC Task Force Meeting on June 13. Several large outside groups and organizations have also used the meeting room since we re-opened including the American Education Foundation, Amber Meadows Homeowner’s Association and Hollows at Loch Lea Homeowner’s Association.

The library hosted two book groups – Bookmarks and Happy Bookers and two author events in June (Isaiah Rashad and Massoma Alam Chohan). We also had a Women’s Entrepreneur Event featuring several local woman business owners. This event was held Saturday, June 18.

On June 16, we had a class visit from Clarence Center Elementary, which included 70 students from the kindergarten classes. Each class learned about the public library and about getting a library card. The children also listened to a story read by Mrs. Mooney and were treated to a fun tour of the library by Mr. Jeremy. On June 17, Sarah McLean-Plunkett and Donna Fairlie traveled to Harris Hill Elementary School to visit the kindergarten classes there. They provided each class (4 classes totaling 92 students) with an overview of the library and upcoming summer programs and they also read stories and had fun working on a sea turtle craft.

The Clarence Library is geared up for summer. The theme is “Oceans of Possibilities” and so we have decorated our front desk to look like a pirate ship. We are providing a fun summer reading program where kids can earn prizes each time they read 10 hours. Programs coming up this summer include Story Time, Circus Toy Crafting Workshop, a Pollinator Series (provided free by the Cornell Cooperative Extension), Beach Party Magic, a Craft Art series for Kids, a painting programs for teens and adults and much more! Our Summer Reading Kickoff begins June 30 with a visit from the Albright-Knox Art Truck and a Treasure Hunt and Chalk Drawing for Kids. The Friends will then be hosting a drive-up Chicken Barbeque (June 30) and from June 27 through July 30 will be running a Summer Basket Raffle fundraiser. We are excited that it is going to be a very busy summer at the Clarence Library!

Respectfully Submitted,

Monica Mooney  
Director – Clarence Public Library