

Director's Report – Clarence Public Library
May 23, 2022

Financial:

The monthly financial statements are included in the board packets. The 2021 Annual Update Document (Comptroller's Report) which was approved by the Clarence Library Board at its last meeting was submitted on our behalf by the Central Library.

Resolution 2022-12: This resolution was passed unanimously by the System Board on April 21, 2022 and we received a copy of it this week. The resolution contains the operating budget line item adjustments to both budget increased state aid and addresses the revenue and expense impacts of the fine free initiative. (see Memorandum from Ken Stone / Resolution 2022-12)

Account Balances:

County Checking: \$14,143.61
Trustees Checking: \$7,948.21
Savings: \$175,463.38

April 2022 Monthly Report

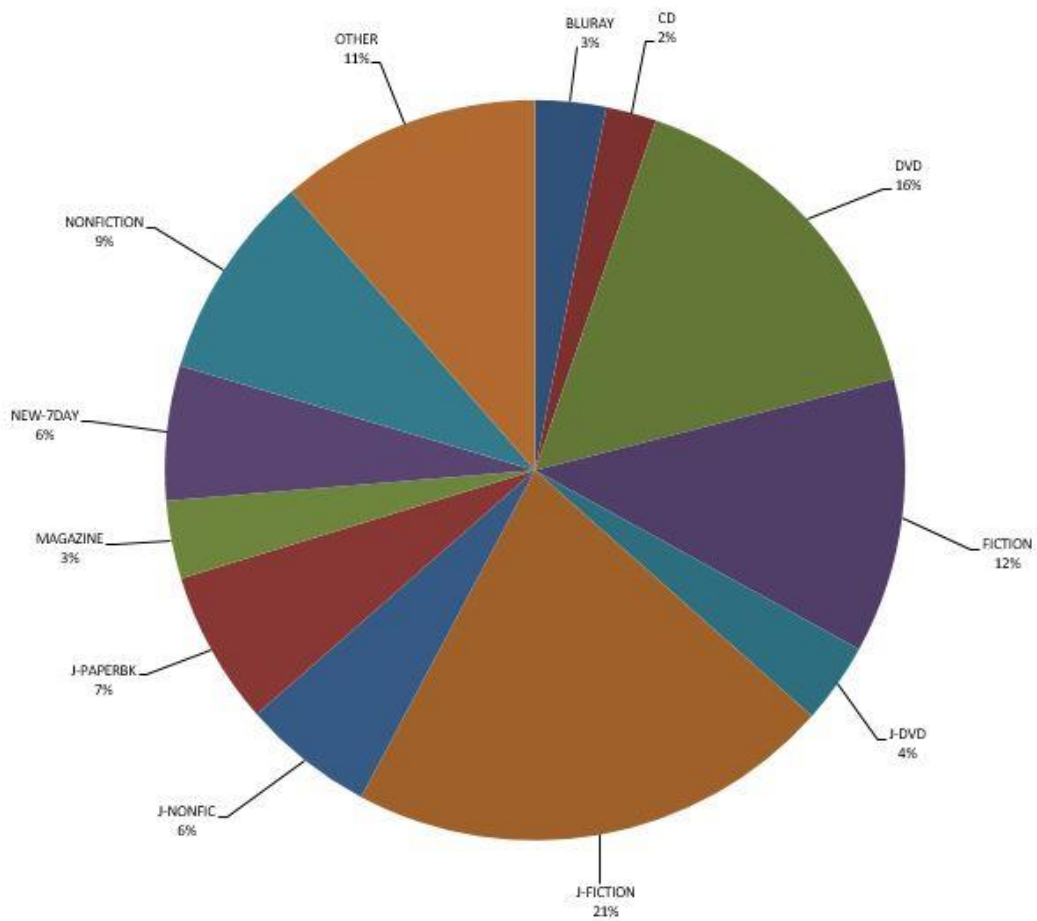
Circulation, Patron Count and Programming Summary

Circulation

April 2022 Circulation:	13,136	
April 2021 Circulation:	12,292	
		6.9% percent change
January-April 2022	46,650	
January-April 2021	45,358	
		2.8% percent change

- Maximum circulation this month: 1,153 on April 14, 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 April was 681.
- Clarence was ranked 10th in circulation overall for April 2022.
- Clarence was ranked 7th in circulation overall for April 2021.

Branch Rank	Circ.
1. Audubon	29,748
2. Central	25,385
3. Clearfield	24,946
4. Kenmore	21,936
5. Julia Boyer Reinstein	21,322
6. Orchard Park	20,108
7. West Seneca	17,104
8. Lancaster	15,609
9. Hamburg	15,492
10. Clarence	13,136



Item type that circulates the most at Clarence is juvenile fiction, followed by DVDs.

Library Visits

April 2022 Visitor Count	4,010
April 2021 Visitor Count	5,090
	-21.2% percent change
January-April 2022	19,802
January-April 2021	17,654
	43.7% percent change

- Maximum Visitor Count in April: 218
- 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 April 2022 was 2282.
- Clarence was ranked 11th for Library Visits in April 2022.
- Clarence was ranked 8th for Library Visits in April 2021.

Branch	April 2022 Library Visits
1. Central	15,119
2. Orchard Park	9,197
3. Audubon	8,920
4. Clearfield	8,869
5. Kenmore	7,901
6. Julia Boyer Reinstein	7,796
7. West Seneca	7,644
8. Lancaster	6,472
9. Aurora	5,110
10. Grand Island	4,465
11. Clarence	4,010

Public Access Computer Sessions

April 2022	298
April 2021	471
	-37.5% percent change

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April 2022	928
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April 2021

1,020

-9.0% percent change

Clarence Public Library Programming

April 2022

In Library programs:

Programs

Attendance

For children 5 & under	6	117
For children 6-12	3	24
For teens	3	21
Intergenerational		
For Adults	6	48

In Library One-on-One Programs:

Programs

Attendance

For children 5 & under		
For children 6-12	2	2
For teens	4	4
Intergenerational		
For Adults		

(Tutors)

Passive/Self-Directed Programs:

Programs

Attendance

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

Meeting Room Use: 3 (Plumbing Exam, Contractor Pre-Construction Meeting, Clarence Youth Foundation – total attendance 22)

Items of Note:

- While our circulation was actually up from last year (13,136 up from 12,292), we ranked 10th in the Library System for circulation. This most likely is because we were closed the last week of the month for the carpet project. Library visits were down 21%, most of which can be attributed to our closing. In addition, public access computer usage as well as WiFi usage were both down due to fewer open hours in April.
- The Clarence Public Library was closed April 23 through May 14 for carpet installation and reopened May 16, which was a week ahead of schedule.
- The final component of the project will be the installation of the entry mats (pedigrid/pedimat). This will take place in the next several weeks and can be done before we open.
- Our programs for April included preschool story time, Lego Club, Dungeons & Dragons, A Study in Sherlock, Bookmarks Book Discussion Group, and Knitting Club.
- While we were closed we did rent the Town View Pavilion so that we could present author and syndicated columnist Lori Borgman for a special author event. It was wonderfully funny program, the “Lighter Side of Aging” that was enjoyed by all who attended. Last week, I received a hand-written card in the mail from a patron who thanked the library for arranging the program.
- The carpet project went relatively smoothly; the library staff did a great job of moving books back and forth and keeping the procedure organized. Special thanks to Aaron Metzger and Justin Carpenter for their assistance keep everything on track! The contractors, too, were professional and worked in conjunction with library staff so that work could be accomplished efficiently.

Respectfully Submitted,

Monica Mooney
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