

Director's Report for April 15, 2026

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| Day-To-Day Changes | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Repairs made to vestibule roof where leaking from skylight • March 17- early close at 1:30p for squirrels • March 18- Hawkins Fire Extinguisher service: fire exit inspections, 2 extinguishers replaced • March 18- close early at 6p for squirrels • March 19- Supplementary sump pump installed by Zirpoli Plumbing. • Screens installed over chimneys to prevent squirrel entry • March 31- Community Room flooding • April 1- Internet outage, no printing or internet for staff or patrons until 3p |
| Internal Projects | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Re-casing DVDs destroyed by squirrel • Children's books spine label/sticker removal project underway • Teen Haunt converting to Teen Advisory Group • Preparations for Summer Reading programs underway |
| System Meeting | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Canceled |
| Accomplishments | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Office Records Retention Schedule adapted for Lackawanna Library use • All Library Card Applications past retention period have been disposed, remaining youth applications have been reorganized • Confirmation of PBS kids programming for Summer 2026 • Featured in "We're Going In" Blog by Mary Kunz Goldman |
| Upcoming in remainder of April | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Saturday Academy Outreach: Apr 18 • Just Say Yes Cooking Demo: Apr 18, 1p; Apr 28, 6p- will continue the 2nd Saturday and 4th Tuesday of the month through June • End of Life Planning: Apr 22, 6p • St. Hyacinth's Outreach: Apr 23 • Teen Haunt IRL: Apr 25, 1p • Teen Haunt: Apr 25, 1p • CLARO Consumer Debt Clinic: Apr 25, 10:30a-1p • Bollywood Dance Workshop: Apr 25, 2p • Erie County Family Court Assigned Council Program Table: April 28, 11a-1p • Managing Affairs After a Loved One's Death: Apr 29, 6p • One-on-One Benefits and Resources Appointments available Fridays 12-3p • Tune the Tale continues Saturdays Mornings, 11a, through June 6 • Toddler Time Continues Tuesdays and Fridays at 10:30a • Erie County Peer Navigators continue to table on alternating Tuesdays and Wednesdays • English Conversation Group continues on Wednesday evenings |
| Upcoming in May | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bingo: May 2, 1p • Lego Club: May 2, 2p • Adult Craft Circle: May 5, 6p- Pipe Cleaner Bouquets • 8 O'Clock Book Club: May 6, 6p • Saturday Academy Outreach: May 9 • Tuesday Murder Club: May 12, 6p- <i>The Guest List</i> by Lisa Foley • Evening Stitch Salon: May 13, 6p • Tech Trainer Appointments: May 12, 3-7p • Wee Folk Outreach: May 14 |

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Star Power Party: May 16, 1p • Evening Cup Book Club: May 27, 6p- <i>The Island of Sea Women</i> by Lisa See • Spice Explorers: Wasabi Powder • Tune the Tale continues Saturdays Mornings, 11a, through June 6 • One-on-One Benefits and Resources Appointments available Fridays 12-3p • Toddler Time continues Tuesdays and Fridays at 10:30a • English Conversation Group continues on Wednesday evenings |
| Goals Met | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Build the Library's presence in the community, Grow new partnerships with local organizations- Partner Dinner at Global Concepts Charter School, various organizations that have been invited by Ellen to May resource fair • Attract donors and business partners through networking and social media: Buffalo-Toronto Public Media • Build the Library's presence in the community, Be a reliable presence for established partners: Outreach at St. Hyacinths, Wee Folk, OLV Literacy Night, Saturday Academy • Engage with underserved communities, Increase tabling occurrences with local social justice organizations: Resources And Help Against Marital Abuse (RAHAMA), • Consistently demonstrate core library values of good information organization- Office Records Retention Schedule adapted for Lackawanna Library use • Organize inactive physical records on second floor & Dispose of records that are no longer needed - Library Card Application clean up • Strengthen organizational resiliency through good planning- documents assembled for Board Succession/New Trustee Onboarding • Increase program offerings for greater variety of audiences- Assigned Council Program Table, CLARO • Update facilities to meet accessibility standards and modern needs of the community- Generate a prioritized wish list for unanticipated income |