

Director's Report for September 16, 2026

Day-To-Day	• Kelly T., Library Clerk, has resigned with a last day of September 4th. Director Danielle is looking to have position upgraded to Tech Clerk before posting • Visit from Director Schonhart 8/4/26 • Library Staff Listening session with Director Schonhart scheduled for 10/7 at Lackawanna Library
Internal Projects	• Key inventory continues- Located outdoor lockbox and received info on keys inside from Jim F. Fire Chief, key extras made for "only copy"s and keys updated in lockbox • Adult Non-Fiction weeded in August • Picture Books weeded in August • J-DVD weeded in August • Re-genrefying picture books to take place the end of September. Planning and preparation underway. • Veteran's Resource Fair planned for November 14
Staff Development	• Staff Webinars: ○ Minimum Standards for Libraries - Policy Development for Public Usage of Library Space and Meeting Rooms (Danielle) ○ Public Library Services for Strong Communities (Tracey) ○ Modernizing a Small Library on a Small Budget (Tracey) • Danielle attended System 5 Year Plan Committee meetings 6/17, 8/11, 8/28 • Danielle attended Lackawanna Stakeholders Coalition meeting 8/27 • Danielle attended BECPL System Meeting – ALA Annual Conference presentation, Homeless Alliance of WNY presentation, Just Buffalo Literary Center BABEL presentation • Staff compliance training: 4 complete, 6 incomplete
Building and Maintenance	• 8/18- 6mo elevator inspection • 8/22- New front sign • Boiler and steam traps installed last 2 weeks of August by DV Brown. • 9/14- Fans above front desk to be replaced • Fire Drill planned for 9/18
Summer Reading Highlights	• We hosted Buffalo-Toronto Public Media, our local PBS affiliate, for their Donkey Hodie Series, a 5 session camp held over 5 weeks where families came in for themed educational crafts and songs and snacks. They are providing a donation to the library as a result of this partnership and there is the possibility of a similar camp happening next year. • The Stuffie Clinic with Rachel DiNunzio and Help Me Grow was a great success. Children and their stuffed animals were able to come to the clinic for one-on-one check-ups with the local author for "diagnosis" and "treatment". Participants signed in for their appointments and while in the "waiting room" were entertained by a variety of crafts and activities promoting healthy lifestyles, like making a balanced plate of food and making car seats for their stuffed animal friends. • Friends Summer Reading Essay winner presentations was a really lovely collaboration between our Friends group, the City, and the America 250th

	commission. Our first place winner was over the moon and his family was so proud! • We had especially great attendance for Barb's Book Buddies, Prehistoric Reptiles, and Circus for All.
Upcoming Programs	• NACA Workshop: September 19, 10:30am-2:30pm • Toddler Time Fall session starts September 22 • Legal Resources Hub: September 22, 10a-1p • Teen Haunt: September 22, 3p • One-on-one Tech Training: September 22, 3-7p • Energy Affordability Assistance Fair: September 23, 10a-4p • Evening Cup Book Club: September 23, 6p The Familiar by Leigh Bardugo • St. Hyacinth's Outreach: September 24 • Emergency Preparedness with United Way: September 30, 5:30p- Emergency preparedness kits will be provided. Limit 50. Registration highly suggested. • Haunted Tours: Wednesdays, September 30-October 28, 6:30-7:30p. Tickets now on sale • Books & Brews Fundraiser: October 1, 5:30p at J's White Elephant. Tickets now on sale • Bingo: October 3, 1p • Lego Club: October 3, 2p • Adult Craft Circle: October 4, 6p • Tuesday Murder Club: October 13, 6p, Not Quite Dead Yet by Holly Jackson • Evening Stitch Salon: October 14, 6p • Saturday Academy: October 17, 10a • Fall Festival: October 17, 1p • Girl Scouts recruitment event: October 20, 5:30p • October Spice Explorers: Cinnamon
Accomplishments/Goals Met	• Target Area 1: Advocacy, Outreach and Collaboration, Objective: Be a reliable presence for established partners- St. Hyacinth's requested extension of outreach for 3rd class. WNYLRC Immigration exhibit • Target Area 2: Accessibility and Diversity, Goal: Engage with underserved communities- July Sensory Storytime, PBS • Target Area 2: Accessibility and Diversity, Goal: Increase program offerings for greater variety of audiences- Second summer of Story Stars programming well attended. • Target Area 4: Building Custodianship, Goal: Improve overall daily upkeep of the library- Boiler work complete. Fans at desk replaced • Target Area 5: Structural Integrity of Organization, Goal: Strengthen organizational resiliency through good planning- Key inventory. Made additional keys for single copies • Increased door counts for all of Summer • Increased programming numbers from last Summer • Circulation increased for July