

Director's Report for October 18, 2023

Day-To-Day Changes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Still seeking quotes from security companies.
Internal Projects	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Genre/Category labeling project ongoing for children's picture books. • Leah is ordering more high-demand Large Print fiction. • Bathrooms have been painted. • Buying necessities like diapers and wipes from The Goodness Project and hope to build up a community pantry. Still in planning phase.
System Meeting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AED Kits available to system libraries • Embracing Diversity in Your Library – presentation from Collection Development on importance of diversity in our library collections—Mirrors and Windows • New Age of Collections reports available for collection analysis purposes • Upcoming New York State Unclaimed Funds Workshop
September Accomplishments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New programming ideas: Hoping to bring back cooking demonstrations starting in January, featuring cuisines from around the world. • Leah suggested costume swap/giveaway for Halloween. This idea has been embraced by the media and was featured on both Spectrum News and Channel 7 evening news! • Pamela attended elementary open houses at Lackawanna City Schools on 9/7/23 and 9/14/23 to promote library to families at schools. Generated lots of interest from families who had not visited the library lately. • Pamela working with Mission Ignite to begin computer training for patrons using AmeriCorps volunteers (ongoing). • Collaborated with YWCA to start outreach for their Saturday Academy programs beginning in January 2024. • Erie County Emergency Kit Distribution went smoothly and a NY State Citizens Preparedness Training has been planned for November. • Distribution of solar eclipse glasses—lots of traffic in the library!
Upcoming in remainder of October	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • LEGO Club, October 19 at 4 PM • Costume Swap & Giveaway, October 21 from 12 - 2 PM • The Traveling Museum of Memento Mori, October 24 from 5:30 - 7 PM • Book Club, October 25 at 11 AM and 6 PM— <i>The Haunting of Hill House</i> by Shirley Jackson

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Not-So-Scary Halloween Party, October 28 from 12 – 2 PM
Upcoming in November	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Bingo, November 4 at 1 PM ● Adult Craft Circle (Painted Wine Glasses), November 7 at 6 PM ● Book a Tech Trainer, November 9 from 10 - 4 PM ● Hunger Games Movie Marathons, November 11 from 11 – 3 PM and November 14 from 3 – 7:30 PM ● Healthy Eating for the Holidays, November 15 at 6 PM ● LEGO Club, November 16 at 4 PM ● Give Thanks Kids’ Party, November 18 at 1 PM ● Citizens’ Preparedness Training, November 21 from 5:30 – 7:30 PM ● Book Club, November 22 at 11 AM and 6 PM
Long-Range Plan Accomplishments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Goal I: Continue to provide quality programs to our community free of charge. ● Goal I: Continue to partner with local schools for library tours and class visits. ● Goal II: Continue partnering with the Lackawanna Historical Association and the Friends of the Lackawanna Library group. ● Goal V: Provide meeting room space for local community groups and organizations. ● Goal V: Continue to use social media to advertise programs, events, new materials, and displays. ● Goal V: Continue to foster good communication between Lackawanna library staff, library Director and Lackawanna Library Board of Trustees.