

### Facilities - Building & Grounds

- Handyman, Don will be installing a grab bar for the library's front entrance. Michele went to Home Depot to purchase the part for it. Don moved cabinets out of Director's Office and put them in the Community Room for extra storage.
- Angelina suggests she reaches out to the village about having some of the branches cut back on one of the trees out front. Branches are starting to touch wiring and the library building.
- New Circulation Desk chairs came in and are installed! Thank you to Michele and her husband for the installation.

### *Patron Visitor Count:*

- 1,227 patrons visited us in April! The library saw 171 more patrons than last year's April!

### *April 2025 Library Card Holders*

- Throughout the month, 16 new patrons signed up with library cards! 17 patrons renewed their cards. Currently 2,240 patrons are library cardholders for RHCL.

### Budget & Finance

- The last 10% of the NYS Construction Aid Grant came in from YR2023-2024 for \$658.00.
- Utica Insurance gave the library a rebate check for \$633.45.
- Director, Angelina contacted Hoopla about bills and budgeting. Patrons can now checkout up to five things a month. She will see if this makes a difference. She is hoping we do not have to go down to the \$2.99 checkouts a month. The library is currently still at \$3.99 titles and less.
- Angelina will be submitting to Nioga the \$20 spectrum bills from January-April for reimbursement, she plans on doing this quarterly throughout the year.
- Angelina submitted the Letter of Intent for the East Hill Foundation Western New York Grant. The library applied for \$5,000 to purchase Vox/Wonderbooks, STEAM Discovery Kits, Toniebox's and launchpad playaway educational games!

### Circulation

	<i>Phys Mat</i>	<i>Internet</i>	<i>Overdrive</i>	<i>Hoopla</i>
Jan 2025	1303	47	104	245
Feb 2025	1240	86	208	225

Mar 2025	1316	84	213	236
Apr 2025	1183	60		258

#### 2024 Annual Interlibrary Loans

Total Materials Borrowed	1,985
Total Materials Loaned	1,866

#### Cataloging & Collection Development

	<i>Items in Collection</i>	<i>Items Circulated</i>
Jan 2025	19,586	1,303
Feb 2025	19,586	1,240
Mar 2025	19,395	1, 316
Apr 2025	19, 225	1, 183

#### Continuing Education, Professional Development & Meetings

- 4/23- Angelina attended the Spring Director's Meeting at Nioga. Training was provided by Lawyer, Stephanie Cole "Ready for Anything: Leading Libraries in 2025."
- New Staff, Abby and Kari have started training and are doing a fantastic job! The staff will be completing their annual sexual harassment training and annual technology training soon.
- 5/15- Angelina attended Policy Meeting with Board Committee for Unattended Children and Child Safety Policy.

#### Public Services

- Community Display Case has been coordinated for another patron to use! Historian, Christa will be displaying basket weaving arts in their beginning this June.
- Jewelry Art with Becky concluded! Patrons made art with old pieces of jewelry and it made a memorable experience for many. Each session 8-10 patrons attended. Becky may possible lead the class again for teens this Summer!
- Master Builders LEGO Club happened every Thursday at 4:30pm. A group of 4-11 patrons attended various ones. The most recent LEGO Club, the library had one patron attend!
- Family Storytime continues every Thursday morning at 10:30am! The library has seven-nine kids who attend every week with their caregivers. Mrs. Allen was doing it in the interim, Mrs. Owen has started conducting Storytimes! The most recent one, the kids got to learn about birds and nests. They enjoyed dance time, building their own craft nest and stories!

- On April 29<sup>th</sup>, adults picked up kits for Spice of the Month Club! Each participant tried new recipes with garlic seasoning. Senior Library Clerk, Abby picked out the recipes and helped prep the kits!
- On May 5<sup>th</sup>, Jennifer Coburn attended for her Author Visit for The Girls of the Glimmer Factory Tour! The library had 37 patrons attend. Patrons enjoyed a presentation by Jenn, cookies from the Rolling Pin and Jen sold books from Author's Note. Thank you to the Friends of the Library for sponsoring this event!
- On May 12<sup>th</sup>, Outreach Tech Librarian Sara from Nioga attended the library to do a Gadgets & Gear Training. Two patrons attended and received help with their digital devices!
- On May 13<sup>th</sup>, Director, Angelina held a Books and Beyond program for children. 0 patrons attended.
- May 14<sup>th</sup>, was a day full of programs! The library had three patrons attend Coffee, Cards and Chat for Seniors. Later in the day, Niagara County Department of Health attended and did a free Narcan Training and held a Community Discussion about health services in Niagara County. One person attended.
- Three children have been a Kid Librarian of the Week! The library plans on letting this program continue and hopes to see more children participate!
- 20+ patrons completed the Children's Room Scavenger Hunt in April and received a prize after!

### **Outreach and Partnerships**

- Miss Angelina visited Bergamot Montessori in April! They read stories about worms and then kids made crafts with worms and construction paper!
- Miss Angelina and Mrs. Bragg attended STEAM Fest! They handed out information about the library and used resources from the Nioga Library System, where the kids made different building things with blocks and straws, as well as played with Dash the Robot! Next event with the elementary school, Miss Angelina will be attending the Fun Run and coloring bookmarks with the kids!
- Director, Angelina has been coordinating the Touch-A-Truck Summer Reading Kick-Off for Thursday, June 5<sup>th</sup> at 5:30pm-7:30pm! So far, community partners Gasport Fire, Niagara County Sheriff's Office, Middleport Police, and NYS State Troopers have agreed to attend with their vehicles. The LePard family has agreed to attend too with one of their tractors! Angelina is waiting to hear back from Mr. Sweeney if they're interested in bringing some animals for the event, as well as waiting to hear back from Tri-County Ambulance to see if they can attend as well. Thank you to all the community groups who are participating!

### Collection Development and Displays

- The library has various displays up including Buzz into Spring, May Mental Health Awareness Month, Kid Librarian of the Week, Memorial Day and Honoring Those Who Have Served and War History Stories, National Grilling Day and always, new books!
- Director, Angelina ordered the rest of the audiovisual budget and book budget. Many items are on backorder; they could possibly be coming in the next fiscal year. Ordered more kids and adult movies, juvenile fiction/graphic novels and juvenile non-fiction for kids!

### *Social Media*

Facebook	Instagram	Twitter
1k followers	232 followers	120 followers

### Planning for the Future

- Summer Reading Planning is in full swing! Angelina hopes to get a brochure out soon about all the programs and reading fun happening at the library this Summer!
- Director, Angelina and Senior Library Clerk, Abby are both mapping out website ideas of what they would like to see on the website. They both plan on meeting at the end of June to talk about it their website maps/ideas and develop a plan to re-do the website, whether the library needs a new website to do it all or utilize the one currently.

### Thank You

The library has so much going on lately and it's a great time for all! Thank you to the Library Staff, Board of Trustees, Friends of the Library and our community partners for all that they do in making the library a welcoming resource for everyone!

Sincerely,

Angelina DiMascio, Library Director