

# MANAGER'S REPORT

## SEPTEMBER 2023 MEETING

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Submitted by Marion Public Library Manager, Tracy Whitney

### JULY 2023 STATS:

Circulation:	2015
Checkouts:	1088
Items Borrowed from Other Libraries:	483
Items Loaned to Other Libraries:	350
Wi-Fi Sessions:	47
Overdrive Digital e-books:	213
Overdrive Digital e-audio:	126
Digital Magazines:	4
Total owwl2go:	343

### AUGUST 2023 STATS:

Circulation:	1932
Checkouts:	974
Items Borrowed from Other Libraries:	425
Items Loaned to Other Libraries:	398
Wi-Fi Sessions:	25
Overdrive Digital e-books:	198
Overdrive Digital e-audio:	136
Digital Magazines:	23
Total owwl2go:	357

### Meetings/Training:

August 10, Tracy: **Wayne County Community Schools partnerships** at the BOCES Conference Center

September 11, Kerry and Tracy attended the **Marion Town Board meeting and public hearing** for elevator repair.

The library's 2024 budget proposal has been submitted to the town supervisor and town board.

September 13, Tracy: **Supercharged Story Times Workshop** (1<sup>st</sup> in a series of 5 classes)

September 14, Tracy: **OWWL Library System Directors Advisory Council** (OWWLDAC)

September 15, Tracy: **OWWL Library System meeting and Total Solar Eclipse Workshop with RMSC**

### Programs and Outreach:

- Grace & Grins returned to our library on July 20 for a puppet show with our summer reading theme, "All Together Now."
- Sheriff Milby was a special guest for story time on July 24. He read, "How do Dinosaurs Stay Safe" to the kids and everyone had an opportunity to view the Bicentennial parade car, with lights flashing!
- On Aug 7 Kaylyn Whitney, a vet assistant from County Line animal Hospital, hosted a special "Animal Helpers" story time. Karen Pipech, a local animal fosterer, also brought Halo, a therapy dog. The kids loved using a stethoscope to listen to Halo's heartbeat and compare it with their own.
- Jessica Reffner presented a Home Preserving Foods class for adults on August 23.
- We awarded 31 children with free passes to the Wayne County Fair when they reported 10 hours of reading in July and August.
- Aug 27 concluded the last in a series of 8 classes of Angela Brown's Outdoor Yoga.

- On September 20 Andrea Bortle will begin a series of 3 beginner knitting classes on Wednesday afternoons.
- Our library will be participating in the annual Great Give Back initiative. This year the OWWL Library system is sponsoring a system-wide project collecting personal care items to be distributed to a local organization. I have communicated with MCS to offer of donations for their “Caring Closet.” More details to come.

I am pleased to report that we had a record number of registrants for our Summer program again this year.

I would would like to thank the individuals, businesses, and organizations who donated prizes for the Summer Reading Program. I appreciate their continued support in assisting us by encouraging children to read during the summer and improve their reading skills.

I would especially like to thank Lollypops & Polka Dots, Dario’s Famous Pizza, Newark Wegmans, Newark Walmart, and the Wayne County Fair organization for donating prizes for our Summer Reading Program. I appreciate their continued support in assisting us by encouraging children to read during the summer.

<b>Summer Program Statistics</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2019</b>	<b>2021</b>	<b>2022</b>	<b>2023</b>
Children & Teens Registered	83	79	91	107	117	<b>132</b>
Adults Registered						<b>43</b>
Total youth program sessions	24	24	22	14	17	<b>30</b>
Total adult program sessions	2	11	10	7	9	<b>10</b>
Total visitors (including adults)	501	552	531	197	431	<b>562</b>

**Building Maintenance:**

- I have been in contact with Kone Inc. to schedule the replacement of the elevator valve which is not functioning properly.