

Director's Report to the Board of Trustees July 14, 2008

Operations

May Circulation 5385

June Circulation 5929

May Patron Visits 5342

June Patron Visits 6807

As you can see by our circulation and patron numbers for June, we are into the summer season; computer usage is up and the library is a very busy place.

The Gates computers are due any time and I plan to have 6 public access computers (PACS) available for the summer. By putting out a small hub I can have the three new computers and three of the old ones on the existing table. It may be a little "cozy" for users but should alleviate the summer crunch.

Our new copier arrived in May and we are very pleased with some of the features it has. We can now store frequently used documents on it and print out as needed.

I attended the NNYLN (Northern New York Library Network) Annual Meeting on May 22 and will continue as Secretary to the Board, a non working title, and was also re-elected to the Resource Corporation. The Northern New York Resource Corporation was formed when NNYLN sold Northnet to Westelcom. It is the holding corporation for the funds held for the benefit of NNYLN.

On June 4, I attended a Disaster Planning Workshop at SUNY Plattsburgh. It was an excellent workshop and I would like the Board to consider forming a committee to work through the very good planning manual I received. Now that we have a much larger building, I think this would be a very useful exercise for us to go through.

Our Children's Summer reading program "Catch the Reading Bug" commenced on July 9 after many hours of planning. We are hatching butterflies in the library. (Ask Peggy for details)

Our TABOB team will compete at the Plattsburgh Mall on July 26. A number of team members traveled to Keene Valley for a friendly competition since KV had a number of children who couldn't make the July 26 date. Our team won. They finished the day with a pot luck supper.

I will be back on July 21.

Betsy Whitefield

