

## Library Director's Report

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### Monthly statistics:

- No circulation stats, of course
- Overdrive: 152 total checkouts: 127 adult materials, 8 young adult materials, 17 kids materials
- Wi-Fi usage: 244 total unique clients for the month; average/day = 24

### Financial/Donations:

- Bequest from the estate of James Tomasi -- \$10,000

### News/Issues:

- Continuing to keep my eye on new releases and making a list of items to order when we are reopened.
- I emailed a list of our library's online resources to Karen Fronhofer, school librarian at Salem CSD, so that she could help share this information.
- Participating in weekly virtual Directors' Council meetings to stay informed about what is happening across the library system, plus participating in other pertinent webinars.
- In order to prepare for when restrictions start to ease, we need to consider how our reopening will look: Building open only to staff for a time? Face masks? Cleaning supplies? How to keep up with extra cleaning/disinfecting? How to enforce social distancing? No in-person programs? Putting away all toys, etc. in the kids' area? Spacing out available computers? Quarantine of returned items? What space to use to quarantine items? Dealing with inter-library circulation? Decisions will need to be made about how we can make all of this work. There is a sub-committee of library directors and others in our system who are discussing many of these types of issues and are trying to come up with some plans. The thought is to have a reasonably uniform response across the various libraries. I will share with board members some additional information regarding items to think about.

### Programs:

- All in-person programs are on hold currently, of course, due to our temporary closure.
- I continue to share valuable resources through our Facebook page and on the Web Resources page on our website:  
(<https://www.bancroftlibrary.org/news/web-resources-to-share/>)
- Our READSquared (an online reading program for all ages, offered by the New York State Library) page is all set up, but no one has yet registered.
- I have created two new Facebook groups that people can participate in: a LEGO Challenge group (<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1129748397403804/>) and a Nature Study group (<https://www.facebook.com/groups/547394619546892/>) but there seems to be little interest.