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Repairing a lamp at the Repair Cafe

Director's Report—May 2026

Peggy McGuire

April/May News

- Ellen Pope staffed a library table at the Roscoe Community Center for the O&W Museum event on April 11, selling Roscoe Library cookbooks and promoting library events. Thanks, Ellen!
- Maria Bivins cleaned up and raked the east side of the Manor library building as part of her pantry clean-up in April. The pantry is no longer used by the Calliope-on-Main Foundation and we are **looking for a new home for it**.
- The library refunded Rockland Central School $718 in tax claims.
- The library will offer a one-month HS internship this summer in addition to the three 2-month Kaplan internships.
- Thanks to Gail Hascha and Ellen Pope of the Roscoe Rockland Garden Club for trimming the rhododendron bushes that were crowding the Roscoe Branch building.
- The Rockland Elementary School After-School Program has continued to bring students to the Roscoe Branch when the weather allows. The children are given a choice of free play or structured activities set up by Samantha Stone. The colorful cityscape murals they painted are now hanging in the meeting room.
- The members of the Order of the Eastern Star have cleaned out their belongings from the first floor of the Annex. Michele Hemmer was very instrumental in getting many of them donated to other organizations. The gas stove will be moved out this month to a church in Monticello.
- The Building Committee has selected **JG Roofing** to do the new roof for the Roscoe Branch.
- Livingston Manor resident and former library employee **Kim Thai** has been selected as the new Sullivan County Poet Laureate!
- Thank you to the Board, especially Michele and Elizabeth, and Jon Westergreen of Main Street Farm for a lovely breakfast and potted petunias for our entire staff in honor of **National Library Workers Day**!

Director's Activities

- Submitted the NYS 2025 Annual Report for Libraries on the due date, April 13. Due to the merger, the change in format, the change in bookkeepers, and the purchase of the building, it was an interesting challenge!
- Set up oil and propane accounts for the Annex with Mirabito.
- Met with the Building Committee, Future Planning Committee, Budget Committee, SUPLA, as well as library staff and the Sullivan County Youth Book Festival Committee.
- Met with engineering firm EDM to discuss flood-proofing options for the Roscoe Library.
- Attended Construction Aid workshop.
- Working with Jen Park of RCLS and Assemblyman Maher's office to set up a food delivery event in both Manor and Roscoe in July.
- Presented the library's construction project concept to the Town Planning Board.
- Submitted a column to the SC Democrat on the Sullivan County Youth Book Festival.
- Arranged for meetings with three architects for the week of May 11.

RCLS Trainings for Trustees

Summer Reading Fosters Community Connections
Wednesday, June 10 6:30 pm, Online, 1 credit hour
Board Documents and Meetings – How to Tame Them
Wednesday, July 29 6:30 pm, Online, 1 credit hour

Note that your name@rcls.org email accounts are available for all trustees.

Upcoming Events

- Please see the monthly program calendar posted on the library's website and available in print at both branches. Programs for both branches now appear on one calendar. The following town and county events are not found on the calendar.
- **Poet Laureate Inauguration**, Ethelbert B. Crawford Public Library, Saturday May 16, 10:30 am
- **Livingston Manor Farmers Market** opening day, Saturday, May 23 10-2. Stop by the library table!

- **County Youth Book Festival**, Ethelbert B. Crawford Public Library, Saturday May 30, 10-3
- **20th Annual Trout Parade**, Saturday June 13. Parade at 1:00. **Trustees are wanted to walk with the library float or ride in the truck!**

Library Programs

Individual Programs in March

- Manor—AI Tools: Eddi Khaytman, 19 participants
- Manor—Kids' craft, paper beads: Jess Davis, 1 participant
- Manor—Scrabble: 2 participants
- Manor—Repair Cafe: 11 participants
- Manor—Intro to Medicare: 1 participant
- Manor—Play Doh open house: 2 participants
- Roscoe—Mural Painting for kids: Lucyanne Bouchardet, 7 participants
- Roscoe—Shorts & Sweets: Big Sky Productions, 27 participants
- Roscoe—Rockland Auxiliaries: Joyce Conroy, 11 participants
- Roscoe—Making and Getting the Real Dirt: Maria Grimaldi, 6 participants

Visitors

Library Visitors
Roscoe Branch

	2024	2025	2026
JANUARY		226	226
FEBRUARY		223	212
MARCH		263	315
APRIL		217	382
MAY		266	
JUNE		330	
JULY		342	
AUGUST	166	355	
SEPTEMBER	177	352	
OCTOBER	220	287	
NOVEMBER	214	282	
DECEMBER	156	256	
		3399	

Library Visitors
Livingston Manor Branch

	2024	2025	2026
JANUARY	485	469	397
FEBRUARY	446	507	385
MARCH	578	532	474
APRIL	679	548	539
MAY	589	550	
JUNE	615	567	
JULY	936	832	
AUGUST	809	746	
SEPTEMBER	527	610	
OCTOBER	680	540	
NOVEMBER	526	578	
DECEMBER	349	461	
	7219	6940	

Circulation

Circulation of Print Items, Audio, and Video Roscoe Branch Total of all checkouts and renewals			
	2024	2025	2026
JANUARY		254	300
FEBRUARY		278	204
MARCH		412	248
APRIL		251	278
MAY		226	
JUNE		308	
JULY		284	
AUGUST	348	241	
SEPTEMBER	300	358	
OCTOBER	363	310	
NOVEMBER	279	319	
DECEMBER	204	300	
		3541	

Circulation of Print Items, Audio, and Video Livingston Manor Branch Total of all checkouts and renewals			
	2024	2025	2026
JANUARY	467	389	641
FEBRUARY	435	445	506
MARCH	445	463	630
APRIL	460	568	645
MAY	456	610	
JUNE	619	691	
JULY	943	1024	
AUGUST	792	790	
SEPTEMBER	337	442	
OCTOBER	488	310	
NOVEMBER	377	626	
DECEMBER	374	601	
	6193	6959	

Circulation of eBooks and Digital Audiobooks Roscoe Branch			
	2024	2025	2026
JANUARY	175	169	134
FEBRUARY	140	166	138
MARCH	165	178	213
APRIL	139	177	195
MAY	154	191	
JUNE	140	209	
JULY	129	164	
AUGUST	131	174	
SEPTEMBER	140	182	
OCTOBER	122	155	
NOVEMBER	109	150	
DECEMBER	139	149	
	1683	2064	

Circulation of eBooks and Digital Audiobooks Livingston Manor Branch			
	2024	2025	2026
JANUARY	234	268	389
FEBRUARY	249	249	326
MARCH	242	320	374
APRIL	248	306	349
MAY	220	296	
JUNE	206	308	
JULY	276	312	
AUGUST	264	337	
SEPTEMBER	253	314	
OCTOBER	269	314	
NOVEMBER	235	304	
DECEMBER	293	285	
	2989	3613	

Kanopy - 2026		
	New Users	Plays
JANUARY	21	11
FEBRUARY	7	40
MARCH	4	24
APRIL	3	25
MAY		
JUNE		
JULY		
AUGUST		
SEPTEMBER		
OCTOBER		
NOVEMBER		
DECEMBER		

April in Summary

Circulation of physical items: Circulation was up in both branches compared to April 2025.

Visitors: Visitorship was up in Roscoe, helped by weekly student field trips.

Kanopy: Usage of Kanopy is low**.** We've raised the monthly ticket allotment from 5 to 8 and we'll spread the word about it at tabling events to see if that makes a difference.

New Patrons

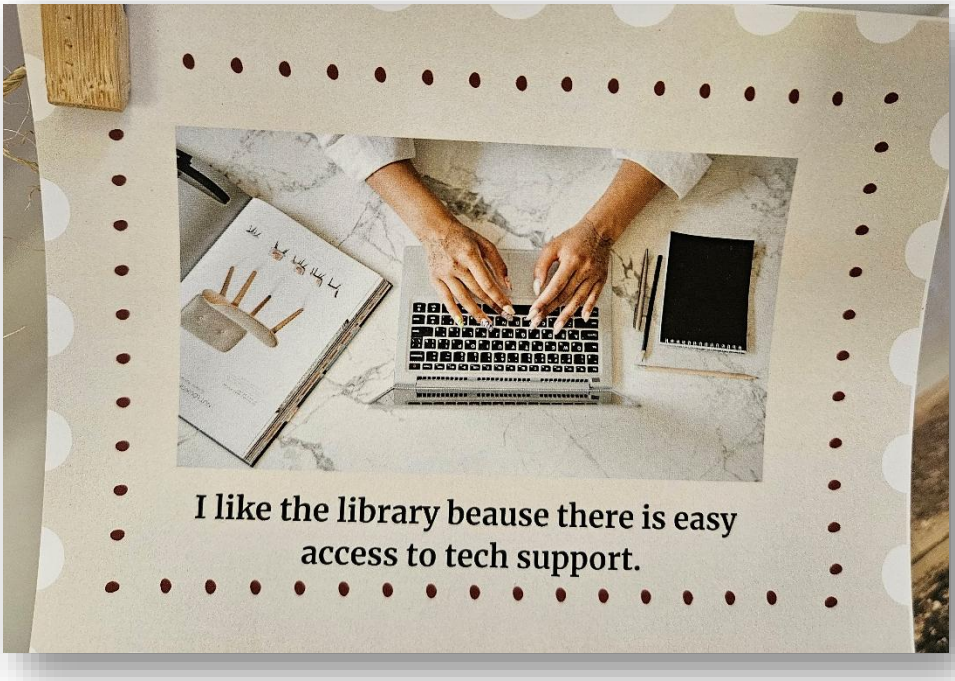
New Cardholders Added Roscoe Branch			
	2024	2025	2026
JANUARY		4	1
FEBRUARY		4	6
MARCH		3	6
APRIL		3	8
MAY		4	
JUNE		4	
JULY		4	
AUGUST	6	12	
SEPTEMBER	8	5	
OCTOBER	4	3	
NOVEMBER	1	4	
DECEMBER	5	4	
		54	

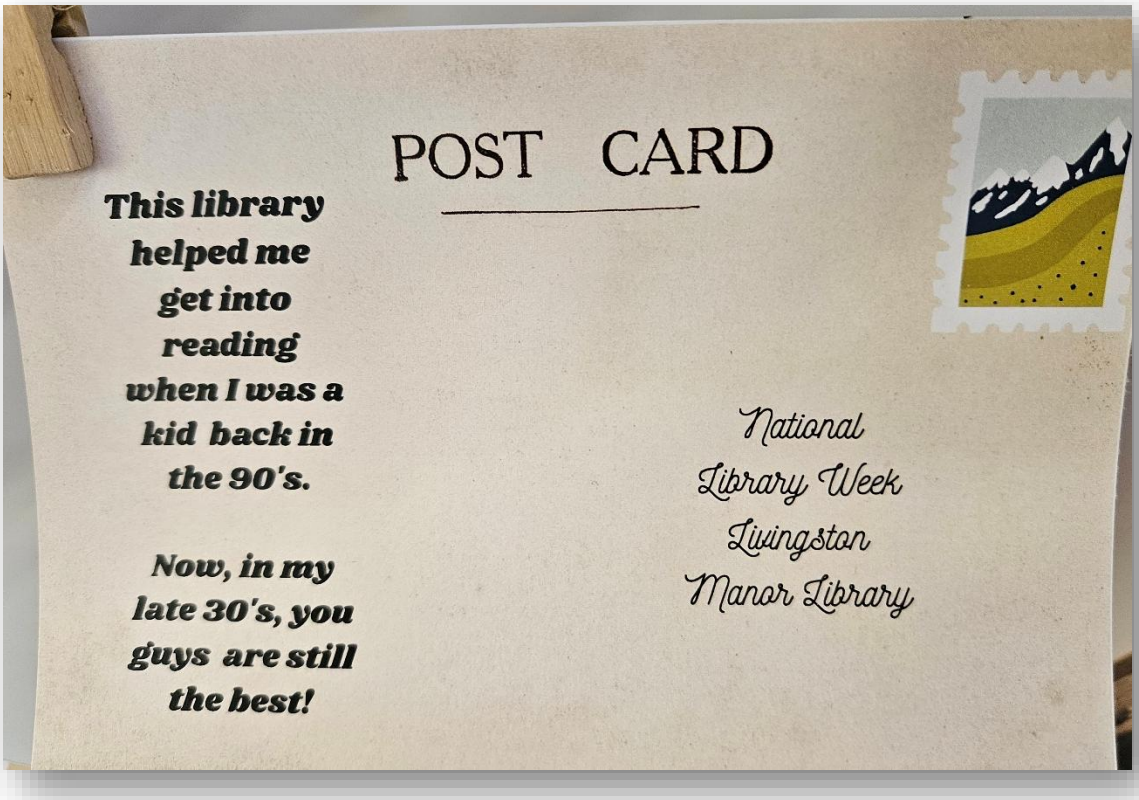
New Cardholders Added Livingston Manor Branch			
	2024	2025	2026
JANUARY	12	4	5
FEBRUARY	7	4	6
MARCH	8	3	17
APRIL	22	14	3
MAY	5	13	
JUNE	15	9	
JULY	33	12	
AUGUST	6	26	
SEPTEMBER	8	10	
OCTOBER	4	9	
NOVEMBER	1	14	
DECEMBER	5	8	
	126	126	

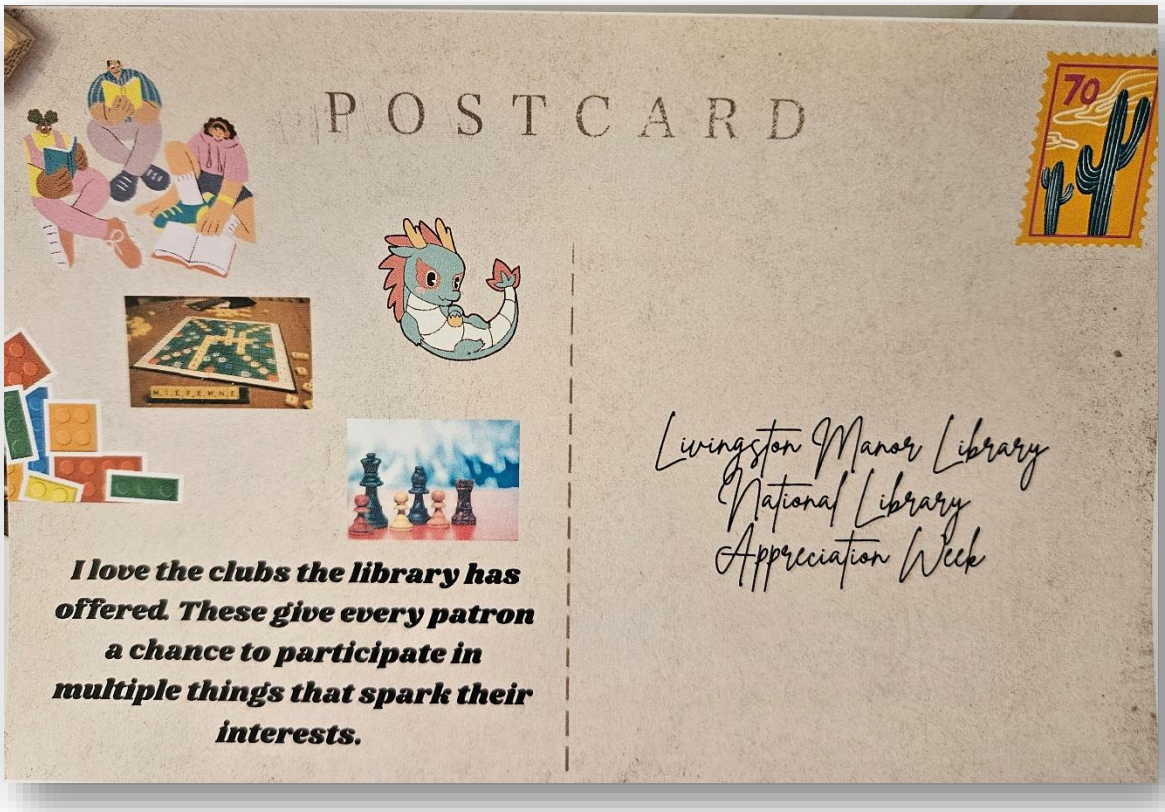


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POST CARD
This library helped me get into reading when I was a kid back in the 90's.
Now, in my late 30's, you guys are still the best!
National Library Week
Livingston Manor Library


POSTCARD
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I love the clubs the library has offered. These give every patron a chance to participate in multiple things that spark their interests.
Livingston Manor Library
National Library Appreciation Week