

Director's Report –Ledyard Library Commission meeting

Date: July 10, 2025

Library news:

1. Staffing Updates

- Stephanie Akers has resigned from her position as Library Associate due to health reasons.
- Amanda Marcelynas, a Ledyard community member and library patron, will begin training as a new Library Associate on August 13.
- Sarah Desormier will return to the Ledyard Library as a substitute-only staff member.

2. Legislative Compliance – Bill No. 1271

- Requires updates to the Collection Development & Maintenance Policy, Library Display & Program Policy, and Materials Review & Reconsideration Policy by Oct 1, 2025.
- Drafts are underway, with updates to the Collection Development and Materials Review policies already completed.

3. Programming and Events

- Summer Reading had 330 registrations and 2,300+ adventures logged.
- Fall programs planned include:
 - Bookbinding workshop
 - Victorian tea event
 - “Dying to meet you” Funeral home presentation

4. Collection Development & Weeding

- Transitioning primary book ordering to Ingram to address B&T vendor delays; staff feedback mostly positive, final assessment pending.
- Nonfiction weeding underway at both branches

5. Social Media

- Drue has significantly improved social media presence, contributing to increased program attendance.
- Assistant librarians note patrons have mentioned they learned about recent events via Drue's cross-posting on community pages.

6. Annual Report

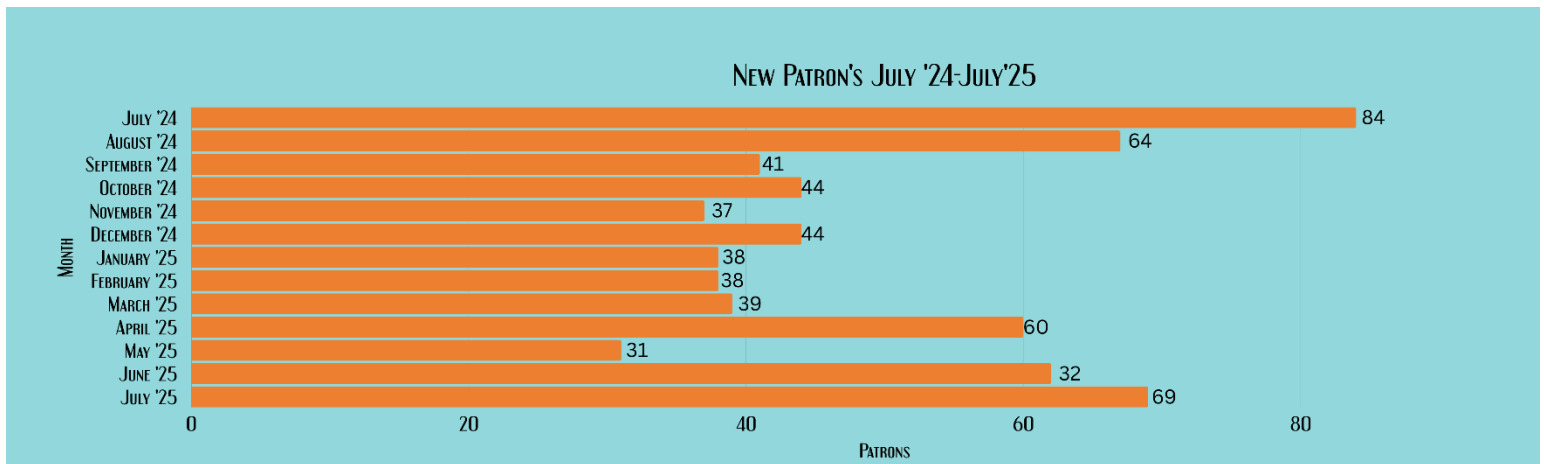
- Preparation progressing steadily.

Ebook stats (last two months)

	June '25 Stats	July '25 Stats
Libby	2157	2254
Palace	23	283
Hoopla	0	0

Checkouts (includes renewals and items Checked out from ILL)

	June 25	July 25
Bill Checkouts	3386	4113
GFCheckouts	2865	3346



Building:

- Public works ripped out the weeds from the side of Bill, and planted Wild Flower seeds.

Respectfully submitted, Ambrosia Lavallee