

Facility:

Work on the gardens by volunteers, including efforts last fall to plant more perennials, have resulted in a much improved garden around the library. Volunteers continue to help maintain the bed with weeding and general clean-up.

A power outage caused the HVAC system to malfunction, resulting in the two time clocks losing synchronization. Adjustments over the course of four days got the system in balance once again so the ventilation turns on and off at the appropriate times.

Programming:

The library presented 27 programs during July. The programs included book discussions, a program on the Odyssey, genealogy workshops and special bedtime story times featuring local heroes. Four hundred sixty-one people attended the various programs.

Other:

The library proctored four exams for students taking online classes for high school and college credit during July.

Statistics:

The number of visitors to the library remained essentially the same as last July with 10,108 visitors to the library. Circulation figures decreased by 6% due to a decrease in non-book circulation figures. A total of 11,671 items circulated during the month. Questions asked also remained the same as in July 2014 with 777 reference questions asked. However, Internet usage increased by 38% with 3,922 half hour sessions used. Two thirds of the usage was wireless with 2,900 sessions registered. And there were 10 magazines, 220 e-books, and 150 audio books accessed through the library's downloadable services.