Happy One Year Anniversary! This report to the community is a celebration of all that the town of Pleasant Valley has achieved in expanding and renovating the library after the devastating fire of 2018. It’s hard to believe that it’s already been an entire year in our new space. The library is pleased to share with you all the ways that the town has utilized its library; whether it be through programs attended, books checked out, audio downloaded, literacy skills learned, child development, study room usage, or simply gathering in the community with others. There is something for everyone at your library.

Daniela Pulice, MLS
Director, Pleasant Valley Library

2022 at a glance...

**Most Borrowed Book:** Wish You Were Here by Jodi Picoult
**items in our collection:** 42,000
**Most Popular Kids Author:** Mo Willems

**Most Borrowed DVD:** The Lost City
**children's book circulation increased 50% - 20k to 30k**
**Most Borrowed Kids Book:** Dog Man

**Most Borrowed DVD Miniseries:** Dune

**Most Downloaded eBook:** The Last Thing He Told Me by Laura Dave

**Most Downloaded Audiobook:** Where the Crawdads Sing by Delia Owens
**over 20 adult volunteers worked 1300+ hours and raised $34,000 to offset programming costs**
**Most Streamed Movie:** Magnificent Ambersons

**Most Streamed TV show:** Father Brown BBC Mystery Series
**in total, more than 650 programs were attended by over 7500 people**

**Most Streamed Foreign Film:** Eat Drink Man Woman

---

922 people attended 12 family performances and programs

over 20 adult volunteers worked 1300+ hours and raised $34,000 to offset programming costs

over 15 teen volunteers helped out with over 290 hours of service

meeting and study rooms were booked over 450 times

we reopened our renovated & expanded building February 9, 2022
Stats from the Stacks

Top Ten Adult Authors (number of checkouts)
1. Colleen Hoover - 56
2. James Patterson - 47
3. David Baldacci - 27
4. Nora Roberts - 27
5. Danielle Steel - 25
6. Debbie Macomber - 22
7. Stephen King - 21
8. John Grisham - 20
9. Stuart Woods - 18
10. Jodi Picoult - 16

Most Popular Recurring Adult Programs
- Senior Exercise - 772
- Mah Jongg - 633
- Face & Lymphatic Yoga - 129
- Chair Yoga - 75

Top Adult Nonfiction Topics:
1. Cookbooks
2. Self-Help
3. Medical

Top Teen Nonfiction Topics:
1. World War II
2. Social Issues
3. Test Prep Guides

Top Kids Nonfiction Topics:
1. Games/Puzzles (Minecraft)
2. Animals
3. Legos

Best Attended Adult Programs
- Flamenco Dancing
- Jodi Millman Author Talk
- PVCS Electric Vehicles
- Anthony Musso - Mothball Fleet
- David Bean - When You’re a Jet
- Medicare Information Session

Public Meeting & Study Room Bookings
- Community Room 13.9% - 58
- Conference Room 30.9% - 117
- Study Room 44.1% - 167

Most Popular Museum Pass:
- American Museum of Natural History

Most Popular Teen Program:
- Intro to Martial Arts & Self Defense w/ TOK of Pleasant Valley

Stats from the Stacks
- Senior Exercise - 772
- Mah Jongg - 633
- Face & Lymphatic Yoga - 129
- Chair Yoga - 75

a note from
Miss Julie
Head of Children's Services

It has been a long time coming, and I am so pleased with our bright, brand new Children’s Room & Project Room! I am happy to see and hear the excitement in children and their families when they come in to explore all the new areas this library has to offer: from the blocks, puzzles, games, train table, and AWE computers - to the board, picture, chapter, and non-fiction books - to the DVDs, books on CD, and music CDs. Just like children, the library is always changing, always discovering, and always growing.
Programming @ Your Library

**Golden Gatherings**

**Senior Exercise:** Low impact exercise for ages 50+. *Tuesdays & Thursdays @ 10am*

**Brain Games:** Connect & chat with fellow seniors as you do puzzles, trivia, and memory building activities. *Tuesdays @ 11am*

**Senior Movie Mornings:** Ages 50+ enjoy light refreshments and a movie - bring your lunch if you wish! *2nd Wednesday @ 11:30am*

**Chair Yoga:** Whether you are a senior, in a wheelchair, have an injury or balance issues, Samantha from Millbrook Yoga will lead you through this lighthearted and enjoyable class. *3rd Tuesday @ 1pm*

**Gentle Flow Yoga:** Samantha from Millbrook Yoga leads this beginners slow vinyasa flow - a floor/mat yoga that coordinates breath with movement. *4th Wednesday @ 6pm*

**Face & Lymphatic Yoga:** A whole body yoga designed to engage the muscles in the face and neck and remove toxins by activating your natural immune support system. *1st Friday @ 1pm, 2nd Monday at 6:30pm*

**Meditation:** Reiki Master Susan promotes peace, calm, and relaxation for beginners and experienced meditators alike. *Last Tuesday @ 6pm*

**Family Movie Matinee:** Bring in the kids for a fun and free Saturday movie! *One Saturday/month @ 2pm*

**Chess Club:** Young or not, never played or have been for years - come join us! *2nd & 4th Thursdays @ 6pm*

**Mah Jongg:** For those new to the table and experienced players alike! *Thursdays @ 11:30am*

**Face & Lymphatic Yoga:** A whole body yoga designed to engage the muscles in the face and neck and remove toxins by activating your natural immune support system. *1st Friday @ 1pm, 2nd Monday at 6:30pm*

**Gentle Flow Yoga:** Samantha from Millbrook Yoga leads this beginners slow vinyasa flow - a floor/mat yoga that coordinates breath with movement. *4th Wednesday @ 6pm*

**Brain Games:** Connect & chat with fellow seniors as you do puzzles, trivia, and memory building activities. *Tuesdays @ 11am*

**Senior Movie Mornings:** Ages 50+ enjoy light refreshments and a movie - bring your lunch if you wish! *2nd Wednesday @ 11:30am*

**Chess Club:** Young or not, never played or have been for years - come join us! *2nd & 4th Thursdays @ 6pm*

**Mah Jongg:** For those new to the table and experienced players alike! *Thursdays @ 11:30am*

**Family Movie Matinee:** Bring in the kids for a fun and free Saturday movie! *One Saturday/month @ 2pm*

**Chick & Lymphatic Yoga:** A whole body yoga designed to engage the muscles in the face and neck and remove toxins by activating your natural immune support system. *1st Friday @ 1pm, 2nd Monday at 6:30pm*

**Gentle Flow Yoga:** Samantha from Millbrook Yoga leads this beginners slow vinyasa flow - a floor/mat yoga that coordinates breath with movement. *4th Wednesday @ 6pm*

**Brain Games:** Connect & chat with fellow seniors as you do puzzles, trivia, and memory building activities. *Tuesdays @ 11am*

**Senior Movie Mornings:** Ages 50+ enjoy light refreshments and a movie - bring your lunch if you wish! *2nd Wednesday @ 11:30am*

**Chess Club:** Young or not, never played or have been for years - come join us! *2nd & 4th Thursdays @ 6pm*

**Mah Jongg:** For those new to the table and experienced players alike! *Thursdays @ 11:30am*

**Family Movie Matinee:** Bring in the kids for a fun and free Saturday movie! *One Saturday/month @ 2pm*

**For Kids**

- Toddler Time and Pre-K Storytimes
- LEGO activities
- Drop-In Craft classes
- Special programs during school breaks
- Summer Reading programs, performers, and events
- **Coming Soon:** Maker Space Laboratory

*Dates & times vary - please check our calendar for more details.*

**Plus various special interest programs each month!**

Past topics include and are not limited to:

- Beekeeping - Gardening - Candle Making - Poetry Workshops - Author Visits - Interactive Movies - Line Dancing - Composting - Local Musicians - Motivational Speakers

Registration is required for many of these programs. Please be sure to check our Calendar for details.
We welcome you to visit the renovated and expanded building!

Monday 10a - 8p
Tuesday 10a - 8p
Wednesday 10a - 8p
Thursday 10a - 8p
Friday 12p - 6p
Saturday 10a - 2p
Sunday CLOSED

Find us on:

Facebook Instagram Twitter

from the library Board President

“Words cannot express the enduring thanks and gratitude we extend to the thousands of people and businesses that donated towards our rebuilding campaign. It shows the library is the center of our community, and when we come together, can do magnificent things. Our many thanks.”

– Joy E. Dyson, President of the Library Trustees

No local tax dollars were used in the construction of this building.