

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

May 2026

Art Exhibition

The Ruplin Gallery in April showcased the art work of the 2nd Floor Artist with paintings exhibited with works of poetry. May will exhibit the works of Diana Stine and in the showcase American Revolution and colonial items from the collection of David LaPell.

Program Series for Seniors

The second of a series of three programs sponsored by the Friends in collaboration with the Chester-Horicon Senior Center was presented on May 8. It covered the use of Hoopla. Third program in the series on Avoiding Online Scams, will be presented to June 12 in the Senior Center.

2026 Annual Report

Holdings 25,479 items 632 added in 2026

Library Visits – 7,936

Circulation-22,504 Physical items=17,052 e-items=5,452

Interlibrary Loan Items Sent-3,929 Received-1,701

Wireless Log-ins 5,055

Programs 119, Attendance 1,563

Program Collaborations: North Warren School, Chester-Horicon Senior Center, Historical Society of the
Town of Chester, Chester-Horicon Youth Commission

Digital Literacy Programs- 7, Attendance 75

Respectfully submitted,
Alma Alvarez, Director
Town of Chester Public Library

STATISTICS

April 2026

9 to 10am	89
10 to 11am	115
11 to 12pm	120
12 to 1pm	81
1 to 2pm	67
2 to 3pm	76
3 to 4 pm	82
4 to 5pm	61
Total Visitors	691

	Apr 2026
Patrons in Library	691
Items checked out	813
ILL received	197
ILL sent	259
Computer users	25
Wireless	429
Tech Help	14
Fax	4

April 2025

9 -10am	95
10-11am	121
11-12pm	92
12- 1pm	55
1 to 2pm	56
2 to 3pm	45
3 to 4pm	46
4 to 5pm	43
Total Visitors	553

	Apr. 2025
Patrons in Library	553
Items checked out	730
ILL received	92
ILL sent	311
Computer use	17
Wireless	342
Tech Help	17
Fax	10