

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

October 2026

NYS Construction Grant

We were approved at the first of three levels (thank you SALS) for a 90% to 10% grant. Next level with DLD will be in 2027.

Donations

\$500 From Ross-Lambert Golf Tournament for books in memory of William (Bill) Tennyson

October 2026 PROGRAMS

Tech Support Saturdays are scheduled for October 10, 17, and 24 from 10-12.

Ruplin Gallery

September- Photography by Paul Edmunds. Showcase Paintings by Suzanne Rinas & Woodworking of Russ Palubniak

October- In the Gallery and Showcase: Paintings, poetry and other items on the theme of Jean Robert Foster. Coordinated by Stevie Artemis Latham and 2nd Floor Artists. Reception Oct 16 with gravesite visit, slide show and readings.

Staff Development Meeting

A Staff Development meeting took place on Sept. 25, 2026. This was the third meeting of the year.

Meetings Attended:

SALS Director's Meeting April, June, August, upcoming October
SALS Annual Meeting and Dinner.

Director Training

Trustees Handbook-Library Laws and Regulations
Trustees Handbook- Director and Library Board Relations
Trustees Handbook-Policy Development for Public Usage of Library
Upcoming-Trustees Handbook- Duties and Roles of Key Officers - Oct 29, 2026

Trustee Training

Greg Gross, Ryan Hutton and Vanessa Hutton have yet to complete their yearly training.

This will be the last presentation for the rest of 2026.

Please register for Trustees Handbook- Duties and Roles of Key Officers on Oct 29, 2026

You can register at https://us06web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_1QA_flnsTQKf4tTUuEpP8g#/registration

If you are registered and cannot attend-they will record it and send it to you later for you to watch at your convenience. **This is an informative program that all Trustees might wish to see even if the training requirement has been completed.**

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

STATISTICS

Visits September 2025

9 to 10am	84
10 to 11am	135
11 to 12pm	112
12 to 1pm	84
1 to 2pm	65
2 to 3pm	60
3 to 4 pm	59
4 to 5pm	50
Total Visitors	649

September 2026

9 -10am	118
10-11am	128
11-12pm	121
12- 1pm	124
1 to 2pm	82
2 to 3pm	71
3 to 4pm	75
4 to 5pm	91
Total Visitors	810

	Sept. 2025
Patrons in Library	649
Items checked out	913
ILL received	151
ILL sent	321
Computer users	33
Wireless	597
Technology Assistance	21

	Sept. 2026
Patrons in Library	810
Items checked out	842
ILL received	119
ILL sent	459
Computer use	14
Wireless	591
Technology Assistance & Fax	13