In 2023, we had a very busy year at the library. We were thrilled to see many returning patrons and it was a memorable year.

Our newly designed Summer Reading Passport Program was a hit with families, and participation more than doubled from the previous year. The program room was always bustling with activities such as Legos, painting, and crafts, providing fun for everyone year-round. Adults were introduced to the exciting game Mahjong, and teens were getting back to their after-school activities in the library.

We made efforts to bring more cultural programs to our patrons. They enjoyed watching the Native American Jingle Dance performed by the Red Hawk Native American Arts Council and making Korean Lotus Lanterns with the Korean Spirit and Culture Promotion Project. We also partnered with local business, Friends Corner Cafe, to sip Boba Tea and enjoy other tasty offerings.

We provided community assistance by holding our first successful Halloween Costume Swap to help families save money and promote recycling. Our Yarn & Yak patrons made handmade hats that were donated to adults and children in the community. Additionally, we aided the Town of Lloyd Police Department with their Toy Drive and partnered with Ulster libraries to fill the local food banks during the Great Give Back Annual Food Fight.

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COLLECTION USE
80,685 items circulated including
42,587 books (6% increase) , and
17,132 audiovisual items (5% increase)
20,966 eBooks, movies, music, and audio-books were downloaded

VISITS
106,500 visitors to our website
34,320 people visited the library

PROGRAMS
Staff presented 1,076 programs
attended by 7,281 patrons of all ages and abilities.
More than double from 2022. In addition our drop in crafts and Lego programs reached 2,670 patrons

COMPUTER USE AND WIFI
Library computers were used 3,808 times. WiFi was accessed 17,084 times
5,977 Residents with active library cards.