



PAOLI LIBRARY

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April 2021 Branch Manager's Report

Reopening

On Tuesday, April 13, Paoli Library reopened to the public with limited hours for browsing and computer use. The current hours for public access are Tuesday and Thursday 1:00–5:00. We plan to move the public access hours to the morning beginning in May, and to add additional hours as we hire additional staff.

Staff

I am sad to announce that Jenny Tang, the library's office manager and circulation manager, has resigned to accept a full-time job at Easttown Library. Her last day will be Tuesday, May 4. Jenny started at Paoli as a high school volunteer and has worked at the library for over 10 years. Her current responsibilities range from banking to customer relations to processing new materials. She will be missed! Jenny is our second part-time staff member to leave for a full-time job in the past year. We will need to fill both those positions as we return to pre-pandemic service hours.

Two part-time circulation assistants are returning from furlough next month, and will each be working two or three shifts per week. That should allow us to add two additional days of public access in May, for a total of four mornings, Monday–Thursday.

Curbside Pickup

Curbside pickup continues on Monday and Wednesday, 10:00–5:00; Tuesday and Thursday 10:00–1:00; and Friday and Saturday 10:00–2:00. The number of pickups scheduled declined this month, from 862 in March to 796 in April.

Programs

Stephanie Bragg and Tredyffrin librarian Kate Shaw have become stars on TikTok with their Library Facts videos and other humorous series. They now have over 3,000 followers.

Circulation

Circulation in March was 2,683, up 9% from February (2,467). This also represents a 5% increase over March 2020 (2,556).

Friends of Paoli Library

Kay Carr, the new leader of the Friends, has been keeping in touch with the other volunteers and researching various options for fundraising, such as an outdoor book sale or a paper shredding event.

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