



PAOLI LIBRARY

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June 2021 Branch Manager's Report

Hours and Services

For the past month (since May 24), we have been operating on a Tuesday-Thursday-Saturday temporary schedule, with both in-person services and curbside pickup during all the hours we are open. Beginning June 25, we will add Fridays back into the schedule, which will then be:

Tuesday & Thursday 10:00–5:00

Friday & Saturday 10:00–2:00

In-person browsing and computer use are steadily increasing.

Tuesday June 8: 69

Tuesday June 15: 77

Thursday June 10: 75

Thursday June 17: 84

Staff

We have so far filled only two of our four open part-time positions. Beginning with 47 applicants, we interviewed 10 and offered positions to four of them. One accepted via email but then disappeared, one was offered a fulltime job elsewhere, and one is still waiting for clearances (nearly three weeks now). So that leaves one who has actually started – her first day was last Wednesday.

We set up six more interviews, and then lost two of those candidates to full-time positions elsewhere. We have hired one of the remaining interviewees and she has just begun the HR paperwork and clearances process.

After a third round of interviews, we have now chosen a fourth candidate, and I sent her a job offer today.

Curbside Pickup

Whether for convenience or out of caution, many patrons are still taking advantage of the curbside pickup service. In the past month there were 401 curbside pickup reservations (down from 641 the previous month).

Community

The kick-off event for the GO WilMa program, Willistown's Party in the Park, takes place June 24 at Greentree Park. Stephanie Bragg and Tara Stewart will be registering kids for the GO WilMa program and for the library's summer reading program. Summer Reading is online again this year, using the Beanstack app to track reading and activity challenges.

Programs

Stephanie Bragg will be holding in-person storytimes (weather permitting) in Greentree Park during the summer. She will also continue to conduct weekly storytimes on Zoom.

Stephanie continues to offer craft kits and STEM kits for school-aged kids, as well as book boxes for teens, for curbside or in-library pickup.

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