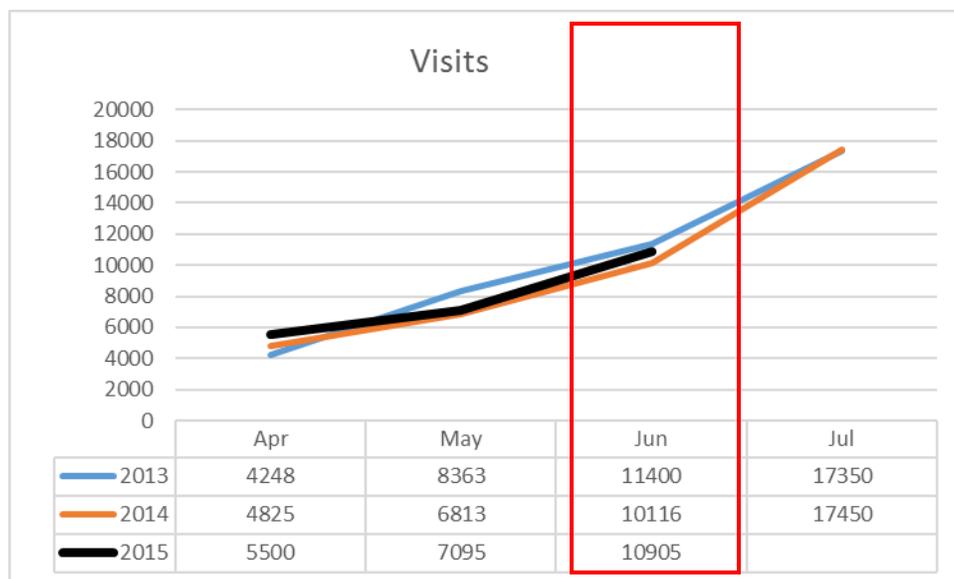
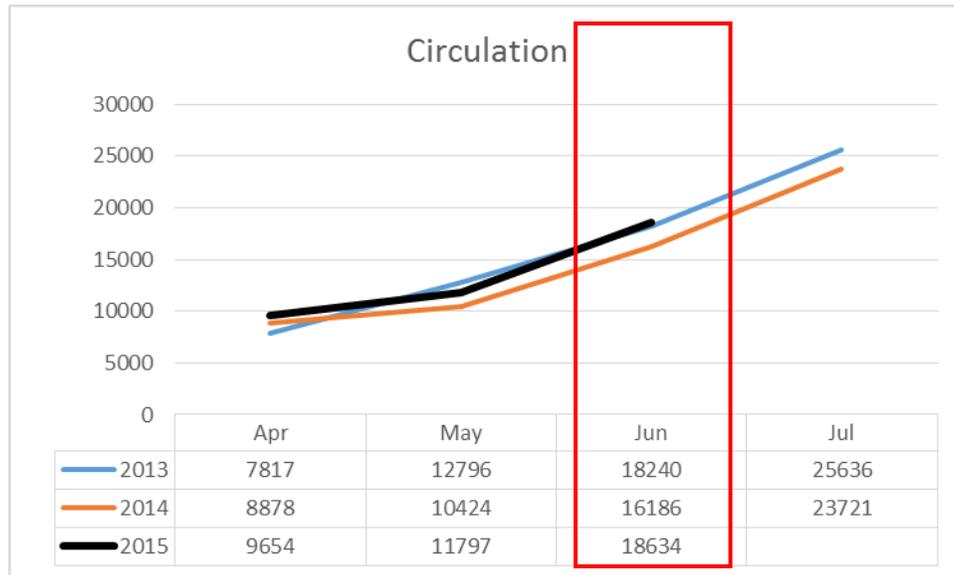


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June's circulation (18364) increased by 56% from May (11797), and increased by 9% from this time last year (16186). By the end of June, the library had circulated 67,190 items since the beginning of the year, a 13% increase from this same time period last year (59,279) .



Visits to the library in May (10,905) increased by 54% from May (7095), and an increase of 8% from this time last year (10,116). By the end of June , there were 42,862 visits to the library, a 20% increase from this same time period last year (35,852).

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The library closed early on Tuesday, June 16, due to high temperature. The HVAC had failed earlier in the afternoon. School personnel were unable to restart the chiller and a repairman was called. By 5pm when the temperature had exceeded 80 degrees, and the repairman had not arrived, staff closed the library.

The library closed at 6:30 on June 24, due to loss of electricity and the approach of severe weather.

On Sunday, July 5th, the HVAC failed resulting in high temperatures and humidity in the library. The library remained open until normal closing time. As of July 7, the system had not been restored. Additionally, the ductless air conditioner in our server closet has also failed. CM3 has ordered parts for both units.

Buck Electric wired and installed 3 duplex electrical outlets in the computer lab to address compliance issues associated with powering the library's PCs in the computer lab. Fire Chief Dean was satisfied with the instillation and wrote that all violations were abated.

Library staff have just completed the selection process for seasonal augmentation. The following individuals have applied for and accepted positions with us:

Olivia Gorecke - Library Assistant – Avalon (Returning)

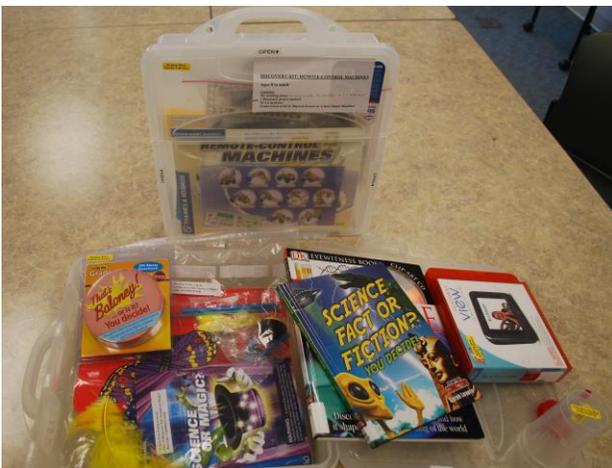
Lisa Papineau - Program Assistant – Avalon (Non-resident homeowner)

Jacob Zozzaro - Computer Aid – Wildwood (Returning employee)

Mark Moses - Computer Aid - Petersburg

John Duffy - Library Page / Shelver – Avalon

Lauren Hickey - Library Page / Shelver – Avalon (granddaughter of Avalon resident)



Shannon has put together 14 *Discovery Kits*, supporting the STEAM initiative (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Math). The kits are available at all grade levels in themes ranging from bird identification, magnets and electromagnets, seashore environment, machines, physics, origami, tape craft, robotics and more. Besides the hardware associated the kits particular theme, Shannon has selected theme/age appropriate library books and videos to include in each kit.

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21 Playaway Launchpads are now available for circulation. These ruggedized children's tablets feature pre-loaded, grade-level educational apps in subject areas like reading, science, math, and art and are secure, with no Wi-Fi access or cameras installed. The tablets support the STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, Math), sometimes referred to as STEM, initiative used in many school systems, including Avalon and Stone Harbor Elementary schools

