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May/June programming:

- Our Saturday morning Craft Corner has had a drop off in attendance, but we are persisting, as we have had lower numbers in other areas and expect it to pass.
- ARC and In Flight continue to alternate weeks coming to the library. We will start offering "Take and Make" craft kits for adults, and believe they can help by assembling the kits once we have all the necessary materials.
- I am still attempting a Juneteenth program with the Hudson-Catskill Housing Coalition. At this point, we are not concerned about having it around the actual holiday.
- Next week is our second program on Alzheimer's. People are asked to register through the Alzheimer's Association, but pre-registration is no indication of actual attendance, so we will not know how well it is attended until it happens. I believe these programs are important and helpful for those who do attend, so I will keep on scheduling as long as the presenter believes it is worthwhile, and we will try different days and times to see what works best.
- Our first Adventure Movie Night is also next week. We will be watching "Raiders of the Lost Ark." Next month's selection will be "The NeverEnding Story."

Miscellaneous:

- The summer reading program begins soon. Emily and I, with help from staff, have been assembling "passports" to go along with this year's theme of "Adventure." All participants will receive raffle tickets for reading and completing other challenges, and then they can enter to win prizes. In previous years, we have had several smaller prizes and rather low participation by adults. This year, we will just have one prize for adults, a Samsung tablet, which I am hoping will generate more interest. I was told that at least one adult was excited for it to begin, and I do not believe they know what the prize is.
- We have received several requests for library materials from patrons who are homebound and/or who cannot come to our building due to the lack of parking and lack of handicapped accessibility, and we are researching the most efficient and effective way to fill the need.
- Word has gotten out about our Wi-Fi hotspots, and they are circulating well, so we have purchased two more and hope to have them in circulation soon.
- Several of us have been studying to become notaries public so that we have another service we can provide to patrons.
- In July, we are planning a Plant Swap, and in August, a jigsaw puzzle swap. Other swaps may be forthcoming.
- On the 80th anniversary of the D-Day invasion, I attended a presentation at the Vedder Research Library at the Greene County Historical Society by a local historian, who also happens to be one of our patrons and a member of our book club. There was a large crowd there and even the kids who were there were engaged, so I reached out to him about doing a program here. He said yes, so I am working out the logistics of having him speak here.