

Board of Trustees Regular Meeting
Thursday, June 25, 2026 5:30pm
Port Angeles Main Library

REMOTE ACCESS

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PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any person or group desiring to bring an item to the attention of the Library Board may do so by addressing the Board at meetings. Individuals having comments specifically related to agenda topics should raise their hand at the appropriate point on the agenda to indicate a wish to speak. Public comments on items not on the agenda, but within the jurisdiction of the North Olympic Library System Board of Trustees, are heard at the beginning of the meeting and at the end; individuals may choose to speak at either point. When time constraints require, the Chair may limit public remarks during meetings to less than three minutes. The Board will not discuss or take action on items raised during Public Comment, but may choose to add items to a future meeting agenda. Public comments may also be sent to: Library Board of Trustees, North Olympic Library System, 2210 South Peabody Street, Port Angeles, WA 98362 or LibraryBoard@nols.org.

AGENDA

1. Call to Order, Roll Call and Introductions
2. Land Acknowledgement
3. Approval of Agenda
4. Approval of minutes for regular meeting of May 28, 2026
5. Communications
6. Public Comments
7. Presentation: Recent and Upcoming IT Projects
Presented by Technical Services Manager Erin Shield, Lead System Administrator Lead John Danks, and System Administrator Damien Hare
8. Financial Reports: May 2026
9. Approval of Vouchers: May 2026
10. Unfinished Business
None
11. New Business
None

- 12. Reports
 - R.1. Monthly Statistics Reports: May 2026
 - R.2. Monthly Activity Reports: May 2026
 - R.3. Customer Comments: May 2026
 - R.4. Highlight Log: May 2026

13. Public Comments

14. Trustee Comments

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15. Next meeting: 5:30pm, Thursday, August 27, 2026

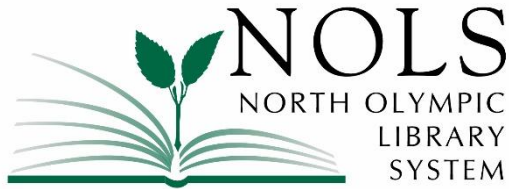
16. Agenda items for next meeting

17. Adjournment

Upcoming Board Meetings

Date	Time		Location
Thursday, August 27, 2026	5:30pm	Regular meeting	Port Angeles
Thursday, September 24, 2026	5:30pm	Regular meeting	Sequim
Thursday, October 22, 2026	5:30pm	Regular meeting	Port Angeles
Monday, November 16, 2026	5:30pm	Regular meeting	Forks

Note: no regular Board meetings scheduled in July or December.



MINUTES

1. Call to order, roll call and introductions
Board Chair Jennifer Pelikan called the meeting to order at 5:30pm. Trustees present: Jennifer Pelikan, Bert Caldwell, Ian Miller, and Betty Marcoux. Library staff present: Executive Director Noah Glaude, Public Services Director Meghan Sullivan, West End Library Manager Troi Gale Velasquez, Library Services Specialist Jennifer Smathers, Outreach Library Manager José Castro, and HR & Business Manager Shaina Lent.
2. Land Acknowledgement
3. Approval of agenda
Motion by Betty Marcoux to approve the agenda as presented. Motion seconded by Bert Caldwell. Motion carried.
4. Approval of minutes for regular meeting of April 23, 2026
Motion by Bert Caldwell to approve the minutes from the April 23, 2026 regular meeting. Motion seconded by Ian Miller. Motion carried.
5. Communications
None
6. Public Comments
7. Presentation: New Services Coming to the Clallam Bay Branch Library
Presented by Library Services Specialist Jennifer Smathers and West End Library Manager Troi Gale
8. Financial Reports: April 2026
The financial reports for April 2026 were accepted as presented.
9. Approval of Vouchers: April 2026
Motion by Betty Marcoux to approve the April 2026 vouchers, numbered #315 through #449, in the amount of \$565,480.50. Motion seconded by Bert Caldwell. Motion carried.
10. Unfinished Business
None
11. New Business
 - N.1. Levy Lid Lift Debrief
 - N.2. Verbal Update on Ongoing Capital Project

N.3. Approval of Resolution 26-05-08 Authorizing Disposal of Surplus Equipment
Motion by Betty Marcoux to approve Resolution 26-05-08. Motion seconded by Bert Caldwell. Motion carried.

12. Reports

R.1. Monthly Statistics Reports: April 2026

R.2. Monthly Activity Reports: April 2026

R.3. Customer Comments: April 2026

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All reports were accepted as presented.

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15. Next meeting: 5:30pm, Thursday, June 25, 2026

16. Agenda items for next meeting

Presentation from NOLS IT Department

17. Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned by the Chair at 7:47pm.

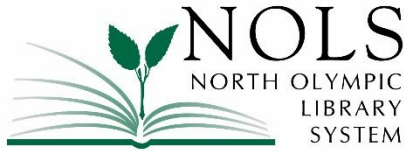
*“Nurturing imagination, connection, and understanding,
to improve lives and strengthen community.”*

*NOLS Mission Statement
Adopted 11/22/16*

CERTIFIED AS TRUE AND CORRECT

Chair

Board Secretary



Staff Report

Meeting Date: June 25, 2026
To: Library Board of Trustees
From: Finance Manager, Amy Hough
Subject: Comments on Financial Reports for May 2026

Topic/Issue: Informational comments on monthly financial reports.

Background: This report provides narrative comments on areas of the monthly financial reports that are out of the ordinary, or may require explanation.

Discussion:

Revenues: Private Gants and Donations totaled \$6,068 for the month, including \$5,000 from the North Olympic Library Foundation. NOLS greatly appreciates their generosity.

\$196,344 was received from WA State Department of Commerce for the Solar plus Storage for Resilient Communities grant used for the Sequim library.

Other revenue is within the expected range for this time of year.

Expenditures: A payment of \$228,625 was made for the Sequim library expansion LOCAL Program debt. Also, \$10,073 was paid for the first half of the cost of the Clallam Bay heat pump replacement.

Other expenses are with the expected range for this time of year.

Account Balances: Payroll Account (US Bank 1301) shows expenses and reimbursements of \$319,169 for amounts paid by electronic transfers. Electronic transfers fund net payroll, payroll taxes and PERS Retirement, and sale and use tax payments. Medical and Dental Insurance, Union Dues and other payroll related items are paid by check. Total payroll and benefit expenses paid in May are \$388,760.

Recommendation/Alternatives for Consideration: No action is required. As always, the Board may request clarification or additional information.



Revenue Report^{*}

May 31, 2026

Operating Revenue				5/12ths is	41.7%
	Budgeted	Current	YTD	Difference	Percent
Property Taxes	4,799,650	348,674	2,850,859	1,948,792	59.4
Grants, Entitlements, Other Payments	33,000	4,092	17,149	15,851	52.0
Goods and Services	18,010	1,634	7,120	10,890	39.5
Library Fees	15,000	833	5,999	9,001	40.0
<i>Miscellaneous Revenues</i>					
Pool Fund Investment Interest	180,000	17,205	75,202	104,798	41.8
Facilities Leases (Short Term)	1,200	430	1,173	28	97.7
Contributions and donations ⁽¹⁾	128,862	5,848	62,287	66,575	48.3
Other Miscellaneous Revenue	127,393	932	2,885	124,508	2.3
Total Miscellaneous Revenues	437,455	24,416	141,546	295,909	32.4
Nonrevenues (excise taxes) ⁽²⁾	1,100	159	692	408	62.9
Total Operating Revenue	5,304,215	379,808	3,023,365	2,280,850	57.0
<i>⁽¹⁾ Includes anticipated grants from Friends of the Library groups and other donors.</i>					
<i>⁽²⁾ Taxes paid for purchases which did not include tax when tax was due. For example, online purchases made by credit card.</i>					
Capital Revenue					
Donations & Grants	689,500	196,564	350,178	339,322	50.79
Timber Revenues (received in 2026)	-	11,589	83,193	-	-
Total Capital Revenue	689,500	208,152	433,371	339,322	50.8
Grand Total Revenues		587,960	3,456,736		



Expenditure Report[™]

May 31, 2026

	Budgeted	Current	Year To Date	5/12ths is Difference	41.7% Percent
Operating Expenditures					
<i>Personnel</i>					
Salaries and Wages	3,773,681	286,960	1,426,791	2,346,890	37.8
Benefits	1,519,505	101,800	569,211	950,294	37.5
Total Personnel	5,293,186	388,760	1,996,002	3,297,184	37.7
<i>Supplies</i>					
Supplies, Office and Operating	110,400	6,557	40,503	69,897	36.7
Fuel	8,900	1,184	4,961	3,939	55.7
Collection Materials	455,000	16,624	100,906	354,094	22.2
Merchandise purchased for resale	1,230	(36)	776	454	63.1
Small Tools/Equip (<\$200)	16,750	918	7,680	9,070	45.9
Total Supplies	592,280	25,248	154,825	437,455	26.1
<i>Services</i>					
Professional Services	384,425	30,193	114,376	270,049	29.8
Communication	177,473	14,515	95,250	82,223	53.7
Travel	28,650	2,179	10,091	18,559	35.2
Taxes and Operating Assessments	6,780	-	3,005	3,775	44.3
Operating Rentals and Leases	22,055	-	26,905	(4,850)	122.0
Insurance	161,576	-	17,775	143,801	11.0
Public Utilities	112,427	7,883	49,584	62,843	44.1
Repair and Maintenance	185,782	7,735	53,366	132,416	28.7
Miscellaneous Services	6,500	(12)	1,269	5,231	19.5
Dues	5,310	-	415	4,895	7.8
Total Services	1,090,978	62,492	372,037	718,941	34.1
<i>Intergovernmental Services</i>	1,020	-	207	813	20.3
<i>Nonexpenditures (excise taxes)⁽¹⁾</i>	1,100	153	630	470	57.3
<i>Debt Repayment</i>	151,405	131,880	144,825	6,580	95.7
<i>Interest & Other Debt Service Costs</i>	194,000	98,625	98,625	95,375	50.8
Total Operating Expenditures	7,323,969	707,158	2,767,151	4,556,818	37.8

(1) Taxes paid for purchases which did not include tax when tax was due. For example, online purchases made by credit card.



Expenditure Report^{*}

May 31, 2026

5/12ths is **41.7%**

Capital Outlays	Budgeted	Current	Year To Date	Difference	Percent
Buildings and Structures	706,500	14,431	22,356	684,144	3.2
Other Improvements	14,500	-	-	14,500	0.0
Machinery & Equipment	232,000	2,272	17,763	214,237	7.7
Construction of Capital Assets	918,681	3,270	573,931	344,750	62.5
Total Capital Outlays	1,871,681	19,973	614,051	1,257,630	32.8
Grand Total All Expenditures	9,195,650	727,131	3,381,202	5,814,448	36.8

*All amounts are rounded to the nearest dollar.
 Expenditure Report - May 2026 Expenses
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Account Balances*

May 31, 2026

	Beginning Balance	Transfers In/(Out)	Current Income	Current Expense	Ending Balance
Investments					
Washington State Local Investment Pool					
<i>Board Designated Accounts</i>					
Fiscal Emergency Reserve ⁽¹⁾	1,307,019	-	-	-	1,307,019
NOLS Capital Reserve ⁽²⁾	451,840	-	11,589	-	463,429
Operating Reserve ⁽³⁾	603,359	-	-	-	603,359
PA Capital Reserve ⁽³⁾	315,794	-	-	-	315,794
Sequim Capital Reserve ⁽³⁾	13,001	-	-	-	13,001
NOLS Capital Fund ⁽⁴⁾	225,160	-	-	13,521	211,638
PA Capital Fund ⁽⁴⁾	354,075	-	-	3,182	350,893
Sequim Capital Fund ⁽⁴⁾	458,390	-	219	231,895	226,714
<i>Total Board Designated Accounts</i>	<i>3,728,637</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>11,808</i>	<i>248,598</i>	<i>3,491,847</i>
<i>Grants and Donations</i>					
Clallam Bay Donations Fund	7,179	-	1	-	7,180
Clallam Bay Friends Donations	4,120	-	-	167	3,954
Forks Donations Fund	24,563	-	1	1,418	23,146
Forks Friends Donations	3,849	-	-	261	3,589
NOLS Materials Fund	18,198	-	100	-	18,298
NOLS Donations Fund	73,795	-	254	39	74,011
Port Angeles Donations Fund	22,013	-	20	-	22,033
Port Angeles Friends Donations	35,678	-	-	1,933	33,745
Sequim Donations Fund	22,819	-	22	-	22,841
Sequim Friends Donations	25,789	-	-	1,099	24,691
NOLF Donations Fund	(2,250)	-	5,450	450	2,750
Outreach Donations Fund	16,075	-	-	142	15,932
<i>Total Grants and Donations</i>	<i>251,827</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>5,848</i>	<i>5,508</i>	<i>252,168</i>
<i>Unclaimed Property Account</i>	<i>3,326</i>	<i>-</i>			<i>3,326</i>
<i>Total Designated Cash</i>	<i>3,983,791</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>17,656</i>	<i>254,106</i>	<i>3,747,341</i>
<i>Undesignated Cash Operating Funds</i>	<i>1,667,360</i>	<i>1,479,790</i>			<i>3,147,150</i>
Total WA State Local Investment Pool	5,651,151	1,479,790	17,656	254,106	6,894,491

Notes:

- (1) Reserve buffer against major economic catastrophe.
- (2) Receives timber revenues designated to fund capital improvement projects.
- (3) Reserves to balance deficit budgets.
- (4) Fund management account for designated capital projects.

* All amounts are rounded to the nearest dollar.



Account Balances*

May 31, 2026

	Beginning Balance	Transfers In/(Out)	Current Income	Current Expense	Ending Balance
Total Investments	5,651,151	1,479,790	17,656	254,106	6,894,491
Cash					
Cash Operating Funds					
Cash held by County Treasurer	1,382,511	(1,382,511)			-
Imprest Accounts					
Revolving Fund (FF 1503)	6,000	230	-	230	6,000
Payroll Account (US Bank 1301)	200	319,169	-	319,168	200
Merchant Account (FF 7401)	1,000	(1,506)	1,533	27	1,000
Branch Change Funds					
Port Angeles	180	-	-	-	180
Sequim	180	-	-	-	180
Forks	80	-	-	-	80
Clallam Bay	80	-	-	-	80
<i>Total Branch Change Funds</i>	520	-	-	-	520
Total Imprest Accounts	7,720	317,892	1,533	319,425	7,720
Total Cash	1,390,231	(1,064,619)	1,533	319,425	7,720
Total Cash and Investments	7,041,382	415,171	19,189	573,531	6,902,211.39

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Voucher Approval for May 2026

The undersigned Board of Trustees of the North Olympic Library System certify that merchandise or services specified have been received and that the following vouchers #450 through #537 are approved in the amount of \$727,345.39 this 25th day of June 2026.

Trustee	Trustee
Trustee	Trustee
Trustee	Library Director

No.	Claimant	Purpose	Amount
450	Acila Consulting LLC	PO 776 Capital Construction - Owner's Representative - SQ CPA	2,406.25
451	ADP LLC	Payroll Services - Payroll Processing Fee (PPE 03-31-26) - NOLS	75.17
452	ADP Tax/Financial Services	Payroll and Payroll Tax PPE 04-30-2026 - EFT I216	278,982.04
453	AHBL Inc	PO 787 Buildings & Structures - PA Project Engineering - PACR	3,181.50
454	Alliant Insurance Services	PO 737 Professional Services - Notary Bond - NOLS	50.00
455	Amazon.com	Collection Materials	118.36
456	Amazon.com	Collection Materials	128.61
457	Amazon.com	Collection Materials	145.14
458	AW Rehn & Associates Inc	HRA Reimbursements - April 2026 - NOLS	3,080.83
459	AW Rehn & Associates Inc	PO 739 Professional Services - HRA Services APRIL - NOLS	228.00
460	Bizy Boys LLC	PO 709 Groundskeeping - PA Lawn Care - FAC	933.69
461	Bridge Wynelle	C-12 Training & Conferences - Spring ASTD Presenter - NOLS	100.00
462	Brito Angeles	Travel - Business - Mileage Reimbursement - NOLS	75.18
463	Brodart Company	Collection Materials	202.75
464	Brodart Company	Collection Materials	218.32
465	Canon Financial Services Inc	PO 630 Leases - Printer & Copier Contract - NOLS	940.03
466	Canon Financial Services Inc	PO 783 Leases - Printer & Copier Contract - NOLS	940.03
467	Castro Cordova Jose	Travel - Business - Mileage Reimbursement - NOLS	186.34
468	Center Point Large Print	Collection Materials	202.56
469	CenturyLink 300561130 CB	Communications - Voice - CB	67.96
470	CenturyLink 360-681-7811 468B SQ	Communications - Voice - SQ, SQ2	173.83
471	CenturyLink Bus. Svcs Acct 80206626	Communications - POTS	61.79
472	Clallam Bay School	Collection Materials	45.00
473	Clallam County Public Works Dept. (Sewer)	Public Utilities - CB	56.50
474	Clallam County Treasurer	APR 2026 Investment Service Fee paid in MAY - EFT I222	50.00
475	Davis Matthew	C-06 Programming - The Tacoma Twister (FODF)	392.00
476	Decker City Hardware	PO 720 Maint Supplies - FO Book Cart Repair, Paint Supplies - FAC	53.03
477	Dept. of Retirement Systems	PERS and DCP PPE 04-30-2026 - EFT I217	39,809.88

No.	Claimant	Purpose	Amount
478	Dept. of Revenue - Use/Sales Tax	April 2026 Sales & Use Tax - EFT 1215	376.51
479	Desmarais Corrina	Travel - Business - Mileage Reimbursement - NOLS	73.72
480	Evergreen Collision	PO 716 Machinery & Equipment - Bookmobile Rear Tires - FAC	2,574.85
481	Fatbeam LLC	PO 745 Communications - Internet Services - NOLS	11,755.65
482	Forks City of	Public Utilities - FO	155.98
483	Full Spectrum Landscape	PO 777 Capital Construction - Rock Install for Donor - SQ CPA	544.50
484	Gale/CENGAGE Learning	Collection Materials	254.83
485	Gale/CENGAGE Learning	Collection Materials	566.71
486	Health Care Authority	Medical PPE 04-30-2026	55,386.34
487	Ingram Library Services	Collection Materials	2,890.46
488	Ingram Library Services	Collection Materials	3,146.42
489	Ingram Library Services	Collection Materials	4,269.09
490	KCDA Purchasing Cooperative	PO 723 Maintenance Supplies - Sanitary Napkins - FAC	119.20
491	Lent Shaina	Travel - Training - WCIF Benefits Summit - ADM	184.91
492	Little Devils Lunchbox	C-36 Training Supplies - ASTD Lunch - NOLS	1,022.57
493	Lumen	Communications - VOiP - NOLS	375.52
494	Midwest Tape	Collection Materials	546.23
495	Midwest Tape	Collection Materials	754.40
496	Midwest Tape	Collection Materials	728.81
497	Murreys Disposal Company Inc.	Public Utilities - SQ	444.47
498	Neurodiverse Connections	C-13 Training & Conferences - Spring ASTD Presenter - NOLS	925.00
499	NinjaOne LLC	PO 743 Technology Services - RMM & Ticketing System - IT	8,483.09
500	North Olympic Library System	March & April 2026 Revolving Fund Reimbursement - EFT 1227	229.65
501	Olympia Sheet Metal Inc.	PO 804 Repair & Maintenance - PA HVAC Maintenance - FAC	3,974.85
502	Olympic Laundry & Dry Cleaners Inc.	PO 725 Professional Services - Laundry - FAC	255.09
503	OverDrive Inc	Collection Materials	435.47
504	OverDrive Inc	Collection Materials	1,375.49
505	OverDrive Inc	Collection Materials	144.99
506	Pacific Office Equipment Inc.	Copier & Paper Use Charges April 2026 - NOLS	1,592.39
507	Peninsula Heat Inc.	PO 722 Buildings & Structures - Heat Pump 50% Pmt - CB	10,073.19
508	Peoples Community Empowerment Institute	C-08 Training & Conferences - Spring ASTD Presenter - NOLS	1,913.59
509	Pipia Phina	C-11 Programming - Illusion Workshop (FODF)	300.00
510	Playaway Products LLC	Collection Materials	412.39
511	Port Angeles City of/Peabody St.	Public Utilities - PA	5,672.60
512	Port Angeles/Orcas Avenue	Public Utilities - PA	323.71
513	PPCIS	PO 805 Professional Services - SRP Postcard - MKT	12,221.64
514	PUD Clallam County	Public Utilities - CB	453.41
515	PUD Clallam County	Public Utilities - FO	436.91
516	Rainbow Sweepers Inc.	PO 741 Groundskeeping - PA Parking Lot Sweeping 4/5/26 - FAC	250.47
517	Renell Melissa	Travel - Business - Mileage Reimbursement - NOLS	21.46
518	Sequim City of	Public Utilities - SQ	253.52
519	Shea Sarah	C-39 Programming - More Than The Blues Art Exhibit (PAFOL)	400.00
520	Silver Kite Community Arts Consulting LLC	PO 584 Programming - Online Art Workshop (FOSL)	217.80
521	Smathers Jennifer	Travel - Business - Mileage Reimbursement - NOLS	83.62
522	Sullivan Meghan	Travel - Business - Mileage Reimbursement - NOLS	110.64

No.	Claimant	Purpose	Amount
523	Summit Law Group	PO 757 Training & Conferences - Annual Webinar Subscription	2,178.00
524	Swain's General Store, Inc.	PO 717, 795 Maint Supplies - Additive for Bookmobile, Batteries - FAC	10.83
525	Tapp Eric	PO 742 Maint Supplies - Plugs, Cover Plates, Gate Latches - FAC	77.70
526	Tapp Eric	PO 788 Small Tools & Equipment - Electric Pressure Washer - FAC	358.28
527	Uline	PO 686, 731 Maint Supplies - Chair Mats, TP Dispenser Parts - FAC	285.64
528	Unique Management Services Inc.	Professional Services - Debt Collection	147.75
529	US Bank	Credit Card Services - May 2026	12,877.69
530	US Bank - WA State Fiscal Agent	CLA163611 LOCAL Program Payment 4 of 40 - EFT 1224	228,625.00
531	Varner Kristin	C-03 Programming - Art vs. Writing Face-Off (PAFOL)	700.00
532	Verizon Wireless - Hotspot - 942339722	Verizon Wireless - Hotspot - 942339722 - NOLS	605.73
533	Viking Sew & Vac	PO 786, 810 Repair & Maintenance - Vacuum Repair, Parts - FAC	255.45
534	WCIF	Vi/Li/EAP PPE 04-30-2026	1,284.13
535	West Waste & Recycling	Public Utilities - FO & CB	85.67
536	WSCCCE-Council 2 AFSCME AFL-CIO	Union Dues PPE 04-30-2026	2,352.14
537	WSCCCE - WPAS Inc	Dental Premiums PPE 04-30-2026 JUNE Coverage	7,864.45
			727,345.39

*** Detail - NOLS Revolving Fund Account -- Voucher #500**

2541	NOLS Patron	Patron Refund	22.95
2542	NOLS Patron	Patron Refund	24.99
2543	NOLS Patron	Patron Refund	4.99
2544	NOLS Patron	Patron Refund	18.99
2545	NOLS Patron	Patron Refund	30.98
2546	NOLS Patron	Patron Refund	6.95
2547	NOLS Patron	Patron Refund	5.00
2553	NOLS Employee	Retroactive Pay	34.80
2554	NOLS Patron	Patron Refund	80.00
			229.65

*** Detail - NOLS US Bank Credit Card Purchases -- Voucher #529**

1	76 Gas Station	PO 595 Business Fuel - Bookmobile - OR	86.46
2	7-Eleven	PO 658 Training Fuel - WLA 2026 - NOLS	62.62
3	Adobe Creative Cloud	PO 746 Technology Services - 6 Creative Cloud Licenses - IT	209.94
4	Amazon.com	PO 592 Program Supplies - Nature Day (FOFOL)	67.27
5	Amazon.com	PO 697 Program Supplies - Teen Lit Bags (NDF)	38.53
6	Amazon.com	PO 591 Program Supplies - Just Breath CB Teens - WSU Grant (FODF)	411.22
7	Amazon.com	PO 698 Program Supplies - Kids Book Club (FOFOL)	52.16
8	Amazon.com	PO 699 Program Supplies - Kids Book Club (CBFOL)	26.08
9	Amazon.com	PO 759 Program Supplies - Kids Book Club (CBFOL)	39.12
10	Amazon.com	PO 663 Small Tools & Equipment - Server Hard Drive - IT	106.73
11	Amazon.com	PO 671 Small Tools & Equipment - Server Hard Drive - IT	106.73
12	Amazon.com	PO 707 Small Tools & Equipment - Adapter for Digital Signage - IT	128.23
13	Amazon.com	PO 673 Program Supplies - Haiku Contest, Teen Lit Bags (PAFOL)	37.66
14	Amazon.com	PO 769 Office Supplies - Charger for Electric Scooter - FO	87.00
15	Amazon.com	PO 790 Office Supplies - Bag for Tech Equipment - SQ	21.76

No.	Claimant	Purpose	Amount
16	Amazon.com	PO 790 Office Supplies - Drawers, Wall Organizers - SQ	168.29
17	Amazon.com	PO 791 Office Supplies - Wall Mount Card Holders - SQ	69.64
18	Amazon.com	PO 555 Freight - Refund Customs Fee for Hard Drive - IT	(31.58)
19	Amazon.com	PO 756 Program Supplies - Community Baby Shower (PAFOL)	326.62
20	Amazon.com	PO 551 Program Supplies - Super Smash Bros Tournament (FOSL)	94.45
21	Amazon.com	PO 616 Program Supplies - Baby Storytime, Super Smash Bros (FOSL)	47.99
22	Amazon.com	PO 714 Program Supplies - Teen Night, Sticker Giveaway (FOSL)	45.24
23	Amazon.com	PO 659 Program Supplies - Star Wars Watch Party (FOFOL)	45.99
24	Amazon.com	PO 661 Office Supplies - Colander x2 - FO	19.48
25	Amazon.com	PO 660 Office Supplies - Pens, Surge Protectors, Laminator Sheets - FO	195.05
26	Amazon.com	PO 614 Program Supplies - Craft and Connect (FOFOL)	10.20
27	Amazon.com	PO 614 Program Supplies - Craft and Connect (CBFOL)	10.21
28	Amazon.com	PO 615 Program Supplies - Craft and Connect (FOFOL)	39.26
29	Amazon.com	PO 615 Program Supplies - Craft and Connect (CBFOL)	39.27
30	Amazon.com	PO 729 Maintenance Supplies - Desk Shade - FAC	46.54
31	Arco	PO 751 Business Fuel - Bookmobile - OR	75.38
32	Arco	PO 644 Courier Fuel - Pacifica - OR	44.15
33	Arco	PO 718 Courier Fuel - Pacifica - OR	49.01
34	Boogie Bingo Games	PO 634 Program Supplies - Fierce and Fun Music Bingo (FOFOL)	11.20
35	Boogie Bingo Games	PO 634 Program Supplies - Fierce and Fun Music Bingo (CBFOL)	11.20
36	Bowlicious	PO 668 Travel - Training - IUG 2026 Meals - NOLS	19.83
37	Campeon Market	PO 771 Office Supplies - Staff & Volunteer Appreciation (NOLF)	7.16
38	Clallam County Auditor	PO 789 Capital Construction - CC Fee for Land Recording - SQ CPA	7.79
39	Clallam County Auditor	PO 789 Capital Construction - Land Recording Fee - SQ CPA	311.50
40	Clarkesworld Magazine	Collection Materials	13.99
41	Costco	PO 752 Program Supplies - Irrigation Festival Parade (BMOR)	142.29
42	Costco	PO 753 Program Supplies - Irrigation Festival Parade (FOSL)	229.90
43	Costco	PO 695 Program Supplies - Friday Night Movie (FOSL)	37.33
44	Costco	PO 772 Office Supplies - Collapsible Totes - FO	130.29
45	Costco	PO 749 Office Supplies - Staff & Volunteer Appreciation (NOLF)	443.11
46	Costco	PO 754 Program Supplies - Teen Tuesdays, Tween Thursdays, Magic Mondays (PAFOL)	54.46
47	Country Aire	PO 656 Travel - Training - WLA 2026 Meals - NOLS	44.64
48	Cowiche Canyon Kitchen	PO 766 Travel - Training - WLA 2026 Meals - NOLS	34.25
49	Delta Air	PO 1614 (2025) Travel - Training - PLA 2026 Flight Refunded - NOLS	(546.97)
50	E-Fax	PO 747 Technology Services - HR Fax - ADM	36.84
51	El Mirador	PO 767 Travel - Training - WLA 2026 Meals - NOLS	23.64
52	El Mirador	PO 657 Travel - Training - WLA 2026 Meals - NOLS	20.56
53	El Mirador	PO 710 Travel - Training - WLA 2026 Meals - NOLS	31.13
54	Eyesafe	PO 173 Small Tools & Equip - Refund Blue Light Screen Protector - IT	(139.98)
55	Fat Yeti Froyo	PO 721 Program Supplies - Haiku Contest Gift Card (PAFOL)	25.00
56	Forks Outfitters	PO 703 Program Supplies - Día Del Nino (FODF)	196.58
57	Forks Outfitters	PO 702 Program Supplies - Día Del Nino Gift Cards (FODF)	50.00
58	Forks Outfitters	PO 715 Program Supplies - Haiku Contest Gift Card (FOFOL)	30.98
59	Forks Outfitters	PO 715 Program Supplies - Haiku Contest Gift Card (CBFOL)	30.98

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60	GetBranded.com	PO 694 Maintenance Supplies - Evacuation Kit Stickers - FAC	46.75
61	GoDaddy.com	PO 683 Technology - Certificate Renewal - NOLS	544.49
62	Harbor Freight Tools	PO 719 Maintenance Supplies - Wheel Chocks - FAC	20.66
63	Home Depot	PO 692 Maintenance Supplies - PVC Tubes - FAC	43.47
64	Home Depot	PO 730 Small Tools & Equipment - Weed Eater - FAC	358.28
65	Home Depot	PO 681 Maintenance Supplies - PA Refrigerator - FAC	488.96
66	Hotels.com	PO 626 Travel - Training - WLA Hotel Refund - NOLS	(6.86)
67	India House	PO 668 Travel - Training - IUG 2026 Meals - NOLS	26.38
68	Javi's Food Truck	PO 657 Travel - Training - WLA 2026 Meals - NOLS	16.81
69	Javi's Food Truck	PO 711 Travel - Training - WLA 2026 Meals - NOLS	23.05
70	Joyce General Store	PO 590 Business Fuel - Bookmobile - OR	73.16
71	La Quinta Hotel	PO 657 Travel - Training - WLA 2026 Meals - NOLS	4.00
72	Lower Elwha Food & Fuel	PO 664 Business Fuel - White Subaru - NOLS	59.37
73	Lower Elwha Food & Fuel	PO 579 Business Fuel - Bookmobile - OR	47.00
74	Lower Elwha Food & Fuel	PO 643 Business Fuel - Red Subaru - NOLS	35.85
75	Lower Elwha Food & Fuel	PO 603 Business Fuel - Chevy Van - NOLS	123.58
76	Lower Elwha Food & Fuel	PO 760 Business Fuel - Bookmobile - OR	87.13
77	Lower Elwha Food & Fuel	PO 646 Business Fuel - Bookmobile - OR	67.50
78	Lower Elwha Food & Fuel	PO 670 Business Fuel - Bookmobile - OR	59.62
79	Lower Elwha Food & Fuel	PO 700 Business Fuel - Red Subaru - NOLS	36.14
80	Lower Elwha Food & Fuel	PO 704 Business Fuel - Bookmobile - OR	50.08
81	Lower Elwha Food & Fuel	PO 728 Business Fuel - Chevy Van - NOLS	120.44
82	Lower Elwha Food & Fuel	PO 705 Business Fuel - Bookmobile - OR	53.78
83	Marriott	PO 668 Travel - Training - IUG 2026 Meals - NOLS	4.75
84	Marriott	PO 668 Travel - Training - IUG 2026 Meals - NOLS	28.00
85	Marriott	PO 668 Travel - Training - IUG 2026 Meals - NOLS	11.18
86	Marriott	PO 669 Travel - Training - IUG 2026 Hotel - NOLS	1,461.65
87	McDonalds	PO 765 Travel - Training - WLA 2026 Meals - NOLS	6.95
88	McDonalds	PO 657 Travel - Training - WLA 2026 Meals - NOLS	6.39
89	McDonalds	PO 657 Travel - Training - WLA 2026 Meals - NOLS	3.74
90	Meta (Facebook)	PO 779 Professional Services - Sponsored Posts - Program Ad - MKT	79.06
91	Microsoft	PO 618 Technology Services - A5 Licenses - IT	525.20
92	Microsoft	PO 617 Technology Services - A3 Licenses - IT	419.54
93	NNA Services	PO 768 Training & Conferences - Notary Training - NOLS	65.00
94	Odyssey Book Shop	PO 713 Program Supplies - Haiku Contest Gift Card (FOSL)	25.00
95	Port Angeles/Permits	PO 726 Buildings & Structures - PA Project Permit Extension - PA	1,176.00
96	Prime Video	PO 645 Program Supplies - Family Movie Matinee (FOSL)	4.33
97	Prime Video	PO 733 Program Supplies - Teen Advisory Board (FOSL)	4.33
98	Punjab Indian Cuisine	PO 668 Travel - Training - IUG 2026 Meals - NOLS	37.19
99	Purr Yakima	PO 770 Travel - Training - WLA 2026 Meals - NOLS	27.06
100	QFC	PO 654 Program Supplies - Yarn Circle (FOSL)	18.98
101	QFC	PO 774 Program Supplies - Books & Trivia (FOSL)	27.94
102	Safeway	PO 732 Program Supplies - Art in the Library Reception (PAFOL)	156.28
103	Safeway	PO 773 Program Supplies - Family Movie Matinee (FOSL)	17.98

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104	Safeway	PO 656 Travel - Training - WLA 2026 Meals - NOLS	8.99
105	Safeway	PO 632 Office Supplies - Distilled Water for Disk Repair - TS	17.53
106	Safeway	PO 712 Travel - Training - WLA 2026 Meals - NOLS	20.04
107	Safeway Fuel	PO 674 Business Fuel - White Subaru - NOLS	52.81
108	Sayat Nova	PO 668 Travel - Training - IUG 2026 Meals - NOLS	38.22
109	Sayat Nova	PO 668 Travel - Training - IUG 2026 Meals - NOLS	23.92
110	Scholastic Inc	PO 758 Program Supplies - SRP Books (CBFOL)	6.44
111	Sound Transit	PO 667 Travel - Training - IUG 2026 Transport - NOLS	3.00
112	Sound Transit	PO 667 Travel - Training - IUG 2026 Transport - NOLS	3.00
113	Stamps.com	PO 575 Postage - TS	250.00
114	Stamps.com	PO 633 Postage - TS	250.00
115	Stamps.com	PO 642 Postage - TS	250.00
116	Stamps.com	PO 652 Postage - TS	250.00
117	Stamps.com	PO 662 Postage - TS	250.00
118	Stamps.com	PO 696 Technology Services - Monthly Service Charges - TS	22.86
119	Stamps.com	PO 706 Postage - TS	250.00
120	Starbucks Coffee Company	PO 668 Travel - Training - IUG 2026 Meals - NOLS	5.08
121	Subway	PO 576 Program Supplies - Teen Hangout - WSU Grant (FODF)	43.61
122	The Matador	PO 770 Travel - Training - WLA 2026 Meals - NOLS	16.35
123	The Smith	PO 668 Travel - Training - IUG 2026 Meals - NOLS	24.48
124	Uprinting	PO 672 Program Supplies - StoryWalk (PAFOL)	101.80
125	USPS	PO 748 Postage - Certified Letter - ADM	6.08
126	VistaPrint.com	PO 755 Program Supplies - Story Walk (PAFOL)	130.68
127	WA Food Worker Card	PO 613 Training & Conferences - Food Handler Card - NOLS	10.00
128	Walmart	PO 675 Program Supplies - Various (FOSL)	70.09
129	Walmart	PO 675 Program Supplies - Various (FOSL)	229.74
130	WA State Ferries	PO 667 Travel - Training - IUG 2026 Transport - NOLS	11.38
131	WB Studio	Accidental Personal Charge - NOLS	20.00
132	WB Studio	Accidental Personal Charge Refunded - NOLS	(20.00)
133	WSDOT Good to Go	PO 596 Travel - Business - Bookmobile for Repairs - NOLS	5.50
134	WSDOT Good to Go	PO 655 Travel - Training - WLA 2026 Toll - NOLS	5.50
			12,877.69

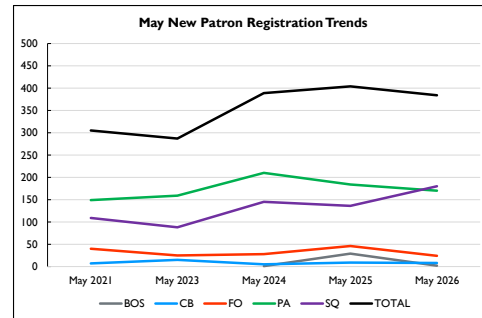
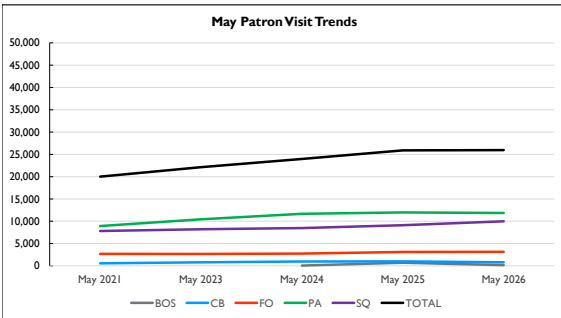
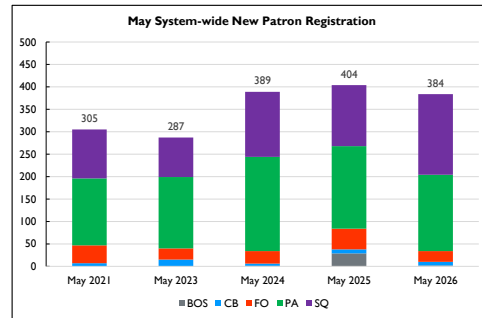
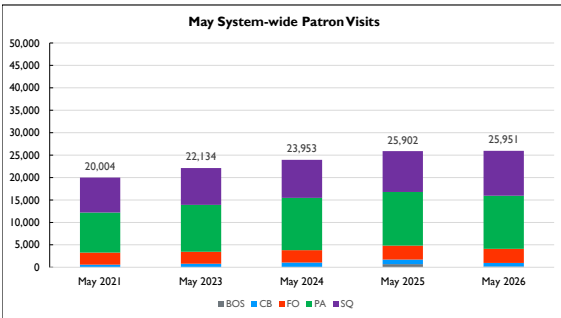
*** Detail - NOLS Electronic Fund Transfer (EFT) Payments for Payroll Services**

1216 ADP Tax/Financial Services	Payroll and Payroll Tax PPE 04-30-2026	278,982.04
1217 Dept. of Retirement Systems	PERS and DCP (PPE 04-30-2026)	39,809.88
		318,791.92

Patron Visits		
	2026	% of System
Port Angeles	11,849	45.7%
Children	6%	
Sequim	9,989	38.5%
Children	8%	
Forks	3,151	12.1%
Children	5%	
Clallam Bay	792	3.1%
Children	15%	
Bookmobile	170	0.7%
Total	25,951	100.0%

*Door sensors count objects less than 47" as children.

New Patron Registration		
	2026	% of System
PA	170	44.3%
SQ	180	46.9%
FO	24	6.3%
CB	8	2.1%
BOS	2	0.5%
Total	384	100.0%



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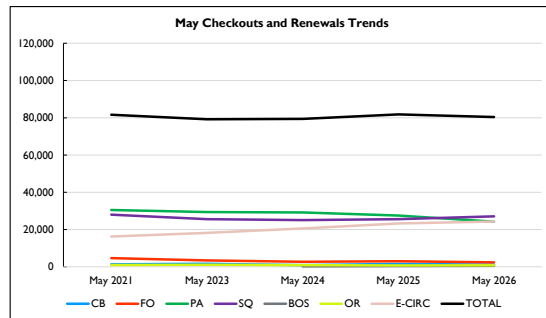
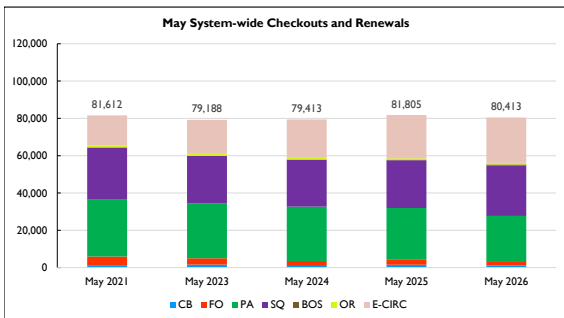
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Checkouts & Renewals		
	2026	% of System
Port Angeles		
Checkouts	13,747	23.9%
% From Self-Check	80%	
% From Holds	30%	
Renewals	10,464	45.8%
Total	24,211	30.1%
Sequim		
Checkouts	15,908	27.6%
% From Self-Check	76%	
% From Holds	36%	
Renewals	11,190	48.9%
Total	27,098	33.7%
Forks		
Checkouts	1,879	3.3%
% From Self-Check	35%	
% From Holds	32%	
Renewals	479	2.1%
Total	2,358	2.9%
Clallam Bay		
Checkouts	635	1.1%
% From Self-Check	26%	
% From Holds	29%	
Renewals	479	2.1%
Total	1,114	1.4%
Outreach		
Checkouts	819	1.4%
% From Holds		
Renewals	11	0.0%
Total	830	1.0%
Bookmobile		
Checkouts	264	0.5%
% From Holds	16%	
Renewals	248	1.1%
Total	512	0.6%
Electronic Circulation <i>(OverDrive/Libby, Hoopla & Kanoopy checkouts do not renew)</i>		
Checkouts	24,290	30.2%
Systemwide Totals		
Checkouts	57,542	
Renewals	22,871	
System Total	80,413	

Interlibrary Loan Services	
Items borrowed from other libraries	134
Items loaned to other libraries	93

*Interlibrary Loan items are included in Checkouts & Renewals statistics

Holds		
	Requests Fulfilled	Avg Days to Fill
PA	4,187	20.87
SQ	5,648	20.39
FO	596	13.12
CB	184	12.56
OR	807	8.20
BOS	81	8.90
Total	11,503	19.16



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Library Programs		
	Programs/Attendees	% of System
Port Angeles	77/673	54%/46%
Sequim	31/352	22%/24%
Forks	18/255	13%/17%
Clallam Bay	6/91	4%/6%
NOLS	0/0	0%/0%
Virtual	10/99	7%/7%
Total	142/1470	100%/100%

Public Meetings		
	Meetings/Attendees	% of System
Port Angeles	35/512	51%/72%
Sequim	20/87	29%/12%
Forks	14/113	20%/16%
Clallam Bay	0/0	0%/0%
Total	69/712	100%/100%

Proctor Exams Administered		
Port Angeles	1	100.0%
Sequim	0	0.0%
Forks	0	0.0%
Clallam Bay	0	0.0%
Total	1	100%/100%

Volunteers		
	Volunteer Hours	# of Volunteers
Port Angeles	46.75	7
Sequim	0	0
Forks	14.35	1
Clallam Bay	0	0
Outreach	0	0
NOLS	38.25	1
Total	99	9

Community Outreach Events		
	Events/Attendees	% of System
PA	4/669	40%/29%
SQ	3/1504	30%/64%
FO	2/130	20%/6%
CB	1/34	10%/1%
OR	0/0	0%/0%
NOLS	0/0	0%/0%
Total	10/2337	100%/100%

Read & Return and Program/Outreach Distributions	
Tiny Olympic Libraries (CB, FO, PA, SQ)	249
Read & Ride (Clallam Transit Buses)	36
Dolly Parton Imagination Library	1,195
Library Programs & Outreach	34
Clallam County Correctional Facility	73
Total	1587

Outreach Delivery Services	
Deliveries/Pickups	88
New Patrons w/ Delivery Services	1

BookMatch Requests Fulfilled	
Number of Requests	4
Titles Suggested	20

Bookmobile	
Routine Stops	21
Special Stops	-
Library Pop-Ups (no bookmobile)	3
Appearance (e.g. parade)	1
Miles Traveled	1,220

General Public Computer Use (excludes Special Computer Use)				
	Number of Computers	Number of Sessions	Hours of Computers Use	Percent of Total Available Hours in Use
Port Angeles	24	1,745	1,917	37.1%
Sequim	10	810	536	24.9%
Forks	8	234	153	8.9%
Clallam Bay	7	211	211	20.0%
Total	49	3,000	2,817	27.9%

Special Computer Use (ADA, Express, Microfilm, Scanner)				
	Number of Computers	Number of Sessions	Hours of Computers Use	Percent of Total Available Hours in Use
Port Angeles	5	373	107	10.0%
Sequim	3	240	65	10.1%
Forks	3	121	28	4.4%
Clallam Bay	0	n/a	n/a	0.0%
Total	11	734	201	8.5%

Computer Prints Made		
	# of Prints	% of System
Port Angeles	10,838	55.3%
Sequim	6,484	33.1%
Forks	1,574	8.0%
Clallam Bay	714	3.6%
Total	19,610	100.0%

Wi-Fi Access		
	Wi-Fi Accessed	% of System
Port Angeles	4,489	46.5%
Sequim	2,793	28.9%
Forks	1,756	18.2%
Clallam Bay	623	6.4%
Total	9,661	100.0%

Website Visits	
Total Visits	41,668
Unique Visitors	11,775
Average Time on Site	54 s

Database Access	
Total Sessions on all Databases	8,513

Facebook Activity	
Followers	6,357
Content Published	53
Reach (unique accounts)	17,663
Reactions/Likes/Comments, etc.	1,769

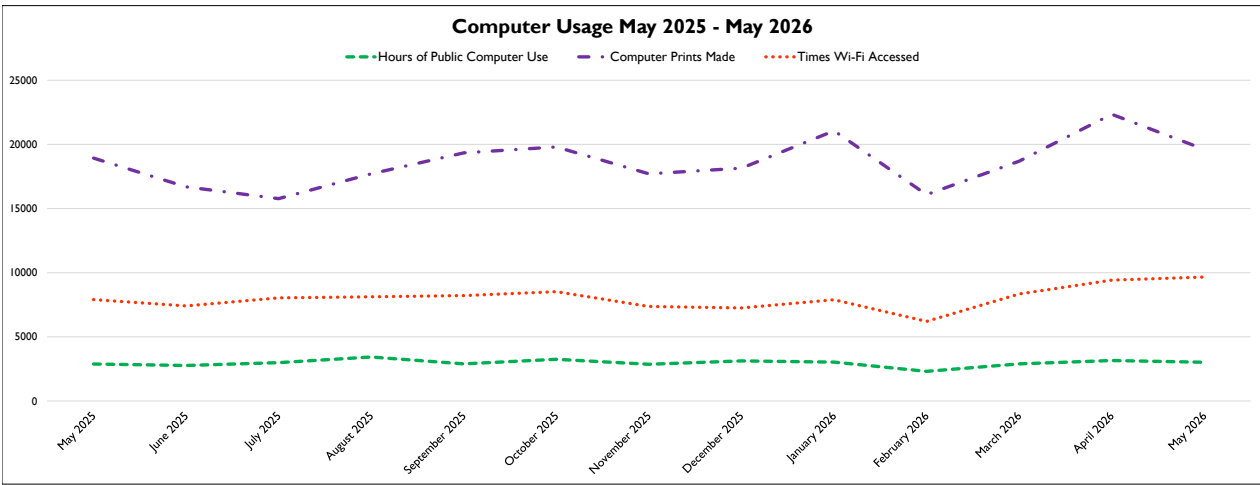
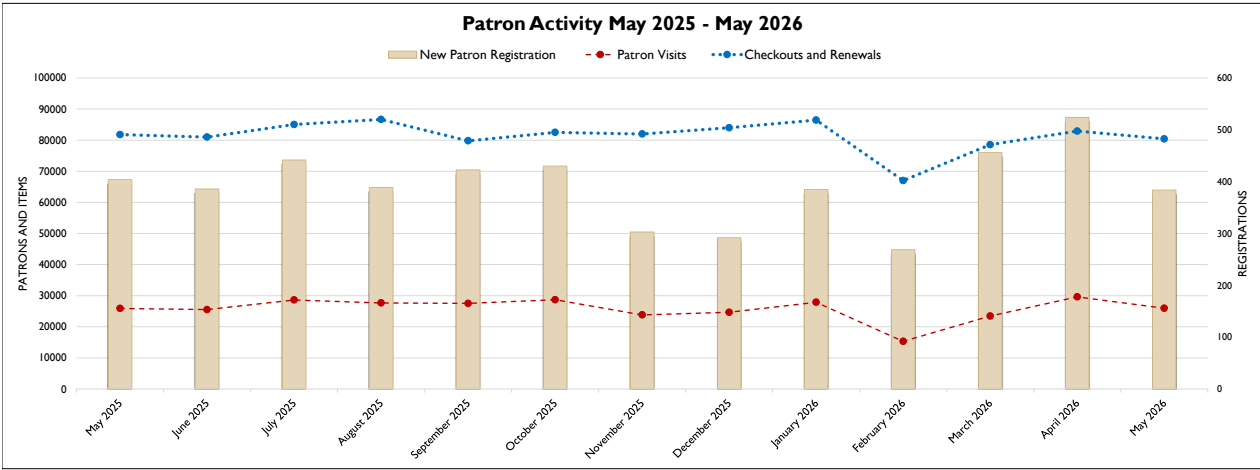
YouTube Activity	
Subscribers	491
Videos Published	-
Program Recordings	-
Views (lifetime content)	815
Watch Time (hours)	24

Instagram Activity	
Followers	2,053
Content Published	38
Reach (unique accounts)	2,099
Reactions/Likes/Comments, etc.	682

eNewsletter	
Number Sent	34,676
Read Rate	39%
Click-Through Rate	2%

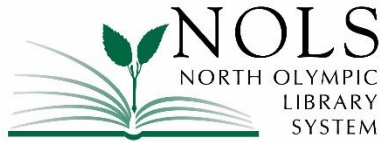
Advertising	
Ads Run	3
Reach (unique accounts)	2,647

Notices	
Number Sent	14,699
Read Rate	62%



Significant Events During the Past 13 Months:

- April 2024 - January 2026 - The Sequim Branch Library operated out of a temporary space while a new building was constructed.
- February 2026 - The Sequim Branch Library was closed as it moved to a new location. Holds Pickup was offered three days a week for three hours.
- February 2026 - The Forks Branch patron counter malfunctioned and was not operating properly for over a week.
- March 2026 - The Sequim Branch Library was closed for three weeks as it moved to a new location. Holds Pickup was offered three days a week for three hours.
- March 2026 - The Forks Branch patron counter malfunctioned and was not operating properly for a week and a half.
- March-April 2026 - The Sequim Branch Library opened its new building on March 21, 2026. April 2026 was its first full month of operation.
- April 2026 - The Sequim Branch Library did not have a patron counter on its east/rear entrance in April 2026.
- April 2026 - NOLS had a levy lid lift on the April 28 special election ballot.
- May 2026 - All branches were closed for one day for All Staff Training Day (this one-day closure has traditionally been held in April).



Monthly Activity Report

Meeting Date: June 25, 2026
To: Library Board of Trustees
From: Executive Director and Staff
Subject: Monthly Activity Report for May 2026

Port Angeles Main Library

Travis Porter, Library Manager

Port Angeles Programming

- **Baby Storytime** – 72 participants at 2 events. Public Services Librarian Jennifer L. hosted a bubble party on the last day of Baby Storytime, and families enjoyed the chance to celebrate together.
- **Toddler Storytime** – 169 participants at 6 events. Families enjoyed stories, songs, movement, and a more bubble parties on the final day of Toddler Storytime.
- **Baby Playdate** – 67 participants at 2 events. Both Baby Playdates were well-attended. One family had moved to Port Angeles just one week earlier and shared that the library was their first visit in the community. They were excited to meet other families with children their child's age.
- **Pre-3 Class Visits** – 87 participants at 4 visits. Librarian Jennifer L. provided four separate class tours for Peninsula Pre3 Co-op classes. She talked about library services, gave tours, and read *I'm So Happy You're Here: A Celebration of Library Joy* by Mychal Threets. Some children received their first library cards, and families stayed afterward to play and check out materials.
- **Curious Critters Preschool Class Visit** – 22 participants.
- **Kids Book Club** – 9 participants. Kids Book Club read and discussed *Princess Pulverizer: Grilled Cheese Sandwiches and Dragons* by Nancy Krulik. Jennifer L. cut out large cardboard shields for attendees to design and decorate.
- **Magic Monday** – 35 participants at 3 events. Regular attendees were sad to see the program pause for the summer and are already excited to return in the Fall to play Magic with their library friends. Participants enjoyed the program so much that they all signed a thank you card.
- **Queen of Angels Kindergarten Visit** – 21 participants.
- **Tween Thursday** – 26 participants at 2 events. Highlights from the final spring sessions included tweens asking for the program not to end, incoming 7th graders asking questions about teen programming, and a bubble party to celebrate the last day. One tween's grandparents also brought donuts for everyone to enjoy.



- **Teen Lit Bags** – 17 participants subscribed for the monthly service. Feedback forms shared that participants found “comfort” in reading about characters dealing with setbacks and not being perfect, and that one book felt relatable because of its focus on “life, crushes, band, and teen angst.”
- **Teen Tuesday** – 25 participants at 4 events including Games & Art, Teen Advisory Board, Books & More, and Creative Writing.
- **Slide Night for Teens** – 2 participants. Although attendance was low, the participants had a great time. One participant had never used presentation software before and learned the basics of PowerPoint in order to present on the highly contentious topic of what is and is not a sandwich.
- **“More than the Blues” Opening Reception** – 44 participants. Jennifer L. assisted with the Art in the Library program, *More than the Blues: Perinatal Mental Health Awareness*. She booked and organized the band, emceed the program, and helped with setup and cleanup. The art exhibit was presented in partnership with First Step Family Support Center and the Clallam-Jefferson Perinatal Mental Health Task Force.
- **2nd Wednesday Book Discussion Group** – 5 virtual participants. The group met virtually to discuss *Help Wanted* by Adelle Waldman.
- **Bainbridge Island and the Japanese American Exclusion** – 10 participants. Ellen Sato, Executive Director of the Bainbridge Island Japanese American Exclusion Memorial Association, spoke about Bainbridge Island’s experience as the first place where Japanese American people were removed and sent to be incarcerated during World War II. Three audience members were friends with people featured in the talk and added their own experiences to the discussion.
- **20-Something Saturdays: Books and More** – 5 participants. Attendees talked about what they have been reading, watching, and listening to, completed coloring sheets, answered icebreaker questions, and listened to records. Two participants had never seen a record in real life, and three attendees made plans to see each other again at the June program.
- **NorthStar Computer Class** – 4 participants. One returning learner and three new learners attended. Participants created new email accounts, decoded abbreviations, and learned keyboard shortcuts.

- **Fourth Wednesday Book Discussion Group** – 8 participants. The group met to discuss *Whenever You're Ready* by Rachel Runya Katz.
- **One Book, One Coast Book Discussion Group** – 4 participants. The group discussed *They Called Us Enemy* by George Takei. One participant, a fifth grader, was especially passionate about learning the history of Japanese incarceration during World War II and how to prevent similar injustices in the future. His curiosity and passion were contagious, and all participants said they would be interested in more One Book, One Coast book groups in the future.



- **Jigsaw Puzzle Contest** – 33 participants.
- **Vinyl Record Swap** – 45 participants. Librarian Jennifer L. organized and led the Vinyl Record Swap. Participants listened to records, visited with one another, and many asked if the library could offer another Vinyl Swap in the future.



- **Tabletop Role-Playing Game Night** – 11 participants.

Port Angeles Community Engagement

- **Key Leaders Event: PA Healthy Youth Coalition and Crescent United Coalition** – 79 attendees, with 50 outreach engagements. Public Services Librarian Clair D. attended this event at Field Arts and Event Hall, where the focus was current facts and data about substance use and supporting youth in the community.
- **Peninsula College Studium General Tabling** – 11 participants. Public Services Librarian Amber K. shared information about NOLS programs and services at Peninsula College.

- Outreach **Head Start Storytime at Mount Angeles View** – 47 participants at 3 classes. Jennifer L. provided three storytimes, and puppets were a big hit. A teacher also asked Jennifer if she could attend the end-of-school family celebration.
- **Summer Reading Program Outreach: Dry Creek** – 360 participants across 15 classes. Jennifer L. visited Dry Creek Elementary School to talk about the Summer Reading Program. She gave nine presentations to 15 classes, shared information about the opening event, and read Dog vs. Strawberry to younger grades, receiving cheers from students. One student asked how she became such a good reader, and Jennifer answered, “Practice!”
- **Community Connection Baby Shower** – 233 participants. Jennifer L. represented NOLS at the 2026 Community Connection Baby Shower, which brought together 134 parents/caregivers and 99 children. More than 55 community members supported the event through resource sharing and volunteerism, and over 100 people participated in the Passport Baby Shower Game. The event also included a morning wellness discussion and breakfast with NOHN, a child passenger safety course, and support from parent ambassadors.



Port Angeles Staff Activity

- NOLS held its **Spring All Staff Training Day** on May 20 at the Port Angeles Branch. The theme for this year’s All Staff Day was inclusivity. The day supported the All-Staff Training Day Team’s mission of building stronger connections among staff across departments and supporting a shared understanding of work across the organization. Main sessions included Serving Queer & Trans Patrons with Confidence, presented by Krystal Marx from The People’s Community Empowerment Institute, and a NeuroEmpathy Workshop, presented by Meg Wolf from NeuroDiverse Connections.

- Librarian Jennifer L. participated in planning and executing All Staff Training Day as part of the All-Staff Training Day planning committee.
- Librarian Clair D. contributes to systemwide equity, diversity, and inclusion work as a member of the NOLS Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion Team.
- Librarian Clair D. attended the **Washington Digital Library Consortium Collection Development Community of Practice** working meeting, where members are updating the WDLC Collection Development Policy and creating related procedural and best practices documents.
- Librarian Clair D. attended the **2026 Key Leader event hosted by Port Angeles Healthy Youth Coalition and Crescent United Coalition**. The topic was current facts and data about substance use and supporting youth in our communities.
- Selectors and Technical Services staff attended training with Midwest Tape representative Ashley Schultz.
- Public Services Librarian Sarah M. attended two **Washington Digital Library Consortium Executive Advisory Committee** meetings.
- Public services Director Meghan S., Port Angeles Branch Manager Travis P., and Librarian Sarah M. met with staff from **Field Arts and Event Hall** to discuss programming partnership opportunities.

Sequim Branch Library

Emily Sly, Library Manager

Sequim Programming in May:

- **Baby Storytime** - 37 participants at 3 events.
- **Baby Playdate** - 19 participants
- **Family Storytime** – 100 participants at 2 events.
- **SilverKite: Watercolor Painting – Garden Roses** – 45 virtual participants.
- **Teen Advisory Board** - 5 participants.
- **Drop-In Tech Help** - 10 participants at 5 sessions
- **Teen Lit Bags** – 17 participants
- **Friday Night Movie** - 25 participants
- **Zine-Making Pop-Up for Teens and Adults** (kit from Washington State Library) – 5 participants
- **Family Movie Matinee** – 9 participants
- **Second Saturday Book Discussion Group** – 9 participants
- **Teen Movie Night** – 9 participants
- **One Book One Coast: Virtual Author Talk** – 13 participants
- **One Book One Coast: Book Discussion** – 2 participants

May is a fun month in Sequim with the town celebrating Irrigation Festival during the first two weekends of the month. The Library had a booth Family Fun Day offering interactive activities

for kids and families. Activities included a Play-Doh station and building with straws and connectors. The Bookmobile and Sequim staff joined the Grand Parade down Washington Street. It's always encouraging to hear community members shout out appreciation for the library!

Executive Director Noah Glaude and Sequim Branch Manager Emily S. met with Washington Department of Commerce staff and gave a tour of the Sequim Library, highlighting their grant-funded projects: Library Capital Improvement Program, Washington EV Charging Program, Solar Plus Storage for Resilient Communities.

West End Branches (Forks and Clallam Bay)

Troi K. Gale, Library Manager

West End Daily Operations:

- Adult Library Services Specialist Jennifer S and Library Manager Troi continued to work on two Clallam Bay branch pilot projects. Official applications for Child & Adult Care Food Program through OSPI was submitted as well as a Notary Application to the Department of Licensing. Procedure creation and workflows were started for these two projects.
- Adult Library Services Specialist Jennifer S and Library Manager Troi provided a presentation to the Library Board of Trustees regarding Clallam Bay and the upper west end region.

West End Programming:

- Public Services Lead Alex P. led multiple programs throughout the month of May focused on the graphic novel *They Called Us Enemy* by George Takei. These programs were a part of program called One Book, One Coast, in which libraries all over the West Coast participated. The programs held in Forks attracted children, adults, and seniors. The program ended with a livestream of an interview with George Takei. There was a total of 34 attendees.
- ECEAP preschool had its yearly end of school field trip to the library. Youth Services Specialist Angeles led an interactive Storytime session. Families received information about our library services, and a big hit was NOLS GEAR. The kids were surprised by a visit from Pete the Cat at the end of their visit. The ECEAP staff reached out to Angeles to let her know she was recognized as one of their key partners throughout the school year during preschool graduation night. There were 73 attendees during the visit.



- Moving the Mail Traveling Exhibit from the North Olympic History Center visited Clallam Bay and Forks and reached a total of 62 people on the West End.
- The Make Magic Happen program was a success. Both adults and children learned two magic tricks during our workshop. It was great to see patrons faces light up as they learned something new. There were 22 attendees.



- Clallam Bay held their last kids book club of the school year. The kids were grateful for this opportunity. It was a bittersweet moment for YSS Angeles as the school year came to an end. It has been great working with Cassi, the 2nd and 3rd- grade teacher in Clallam Bay. There were 11 attendees.
- FHS Hangout was busy and full of information. Angeles spoke to the kids about the dangers of vaping. Informational flyers were handed out, and both the teens and Angeles discussed ways to cope with their emotions in a positive way. This program was funded by a grant from WSU Extension regarding Prevention. There were 8 attendees.
- “Just Breathe” program was held for 6th to 8th graders in Clallam Bay. During this event, teens tied dyed shirts and discussed way to cope with their emotions and the importance of “Just Breathing” fresh air. They explored the consequences of inhaling harmful substances and how these can affect our bodies. This program was funded by a grant from WSU Extension regarding Prevention. There were 18 attendees.



- Clallam County Environmental Health hosted a Septics 101 and 201 class with 25 attendees, making it the most successful Septics class on the West End.
- Craft and Connect: Pressed Flower Bookmarks was attended by ten people in Forks and Clallam Bay.
- Bad Art Night was attended by 11 people who came together to create portraits.
- Two people visited the Olympic Peninsula Resource Co-op for resources. They were pleased to announce that the grant funding has been extended for another year.

West End Community Visits:

- Library Services Specialist Jennifer S. attended the West End Business Association (WEBA) meeting on the first Wednesday of May. She shared updates about the library and took notes on new community projects and issues that arose.
- Youth Services Specialist Angeles B. visited the Forks Middle School to promote SRP. She was there during the 5th-8th grade lunches. Every student left with an SRP flyer. Angeles engaged with 42 youth.
- YSS Angeles and NOLS volunteer Kathryn attended went to ONRC to participate in their 27th Annual Nature Day event. The chosen theme this year was birds. Each kindergarten class decorated their own bird feeders, and NOLS provided them with bird food. It was a fun day for staff, students, and guardians who attended. There were 88 attendees.



Outreach Services: Bookmobile and Delivery Services
José E. Castro, Outreach Library Manager

Outreach Daily Operations:

- 88 outreach deliveries were made, 1 new patron registered for delivery services, 819 items were checked out and 11 items renewed for delivery service patrons.
- Couriers transported 766 totes between NOLS branches, plus 36 more for Outreach Deliveries.
- The Bookmobile travelled 1220 miles.

Programs and Community Outreach:

- **Irrigation Festival, Sequim – 05/09/2026 - 100+ Connections** - The Bookmobile and the SQ team partnered to staff this event. It was the first major event of the year, bringing together community members and organizations from across the area. The Bookmobile was very well received, and there were many expressions of support from attendees. People enthusiastically called out phrases such as, "I love the library!" and "Thank you for being here!"



Emily and the Sequim staff graciously handed out candy to participants throughout the event. One thing I noticed was that the organizers had several check-in points with speakers, and library services were highlighted as part of the program. Speakers promoted the work the library does for the community in both English and Spanish, helping increase awareness of our services and impact.



- **Clallam Mosaic, Port Angeles - 05/06/2026 - 12 Connections** - After a pause during March, Community Outreach Librarian Adrienne L. celebrated a program at Clallam Mosaic. Adrienne shared: “Attendees were eager and thankful for library time! We read two stories, one was about "feeling stuck" and centered around mental health. The other was "Drawn Together", a story about a grandfather and grandson who can't communicate with words but discover a connection through their artwork.”
- **QTS Presentation, QTS Schools - 05-18-2026 - 65 Connections** – Community Outreach Librarian Adrienne L. and Community Outreach Specialist Kayla A. visited grades K-6 at the Quileute Tribal School to share information about the summer reading program and where the Bookmobile will be in La Push over the summer. Students were excited to hear about the grand prize and the t-shirts they could earn!
- **Elder’s Week, La Push, WA - 05/21/2026 - 121 Connections** - Public Services Specialist Violette M. and Community Outreach Specialist Becki N. had a wonderful time meeting community members and partners at the Quileute Elder's Week Health Fair. We met many students who proudly told us they visit the Bookmobile at the Quileute Tribal School. It was a great day in the community!

Pop-Up Libraries and Bookmobile:

- Quileute Senior Center Pop-Up Library: (6 visitors at 1 event)
- Sekiu Community Center Senior Friday Lunch Pop-Up Library: (16 visitors)
- Makah Recovery Drop-In Center Pop-Up Library (2 visitors at 1 stop)
- Routine Bookmobile Stops:
 - Neah Bay Community Gym (68 visitors at 4 stops)
 - Makah Senior Center: (0 visitors at 1 event)
 - Sail River Heights Longhouse – Neah Bay (9 visitors at 1 stop)
 - Beaver Grocery Store (2 visitors at 3 stops)
 - Quileute Tribal School (52 visitors at 2 stops)
 - Carrie Blake Park in Sequim (1 visitors at 2 stops)
 - Elk Creek Apartments with Sequim Mobile Pantry (13 visitors at 2 stops)
 - Port Angeles Food Bank (5 visitors at 1 stop)
 - Joyce Mobile Market at Crescent School (1 visitors at 1 stop)
 - Crescent School (19 visitors at 2 stops)
 - Joyce Plaza (0 visitors at 2 stops)

Other Activities for Outreach Staff:

Beaver Community Outreach Update

As part of ongoing efforts to strengthen community connections and increase access to library services in the Beaver area, Outreach Library Manager José E. Castro explored opportunities to relocate the Bookmobile stop to a location that would better support community engagement. Initial conversations with the owner of the Lake Pleasant Laundry identified a potential parking location for the Bookmobile. While the owner was supportive of the library's presence, site limitations related to restroom access made the location less suitable for long-term service. In response, Outreach staff collaborated with Clallam County Parks to identify an alternative site. The County enthusiastically supported the initiative, and approval was secured for the Bookmobile to begin service at Lake Pleasant Park in June.

This transition reflects Outreach's commitment to evaluating service locations and adapting strategies to meet the evolving needs of the communities we serve. By relocating the stop to Lake Pleasant Park, Outreach is exploring new opportunities to connect with residents and increase awareness of library services in the Beaver area. Outreach is grateful for the support of local community members and public agency partners whose collaboration made this opportunity possible.

Facilities Department

Brian Phillips, Facilities Manager

Port Angeles Library: HVAC repair (replaced supply and exhaust fan motor bearings); repaired office door latch; repaired book cart wheel; patched wall dent; parking lot sweeping and lawn care.

Port Angeles Accessible Pathways Project: Parking lot traffic was revised and demolition of the accessible parking area and sidewalks began on May 4; trees were removed from the west side of the building; new sidewalks were connected to the west emergency and Carver Room exits; prepped west side driveway area for paving; inspected sublayer compaction prior to paving.

Sequim Library Project: Continued addressing issues with lighting, doors, and HVAC systems; began troubleshooting EV charger issues; reviewed lawn installation options; replaced staff breakroom faucet with one more suitable for the purpose; installed walk-off carpet at east entrances; installed window box seat cushions.

West End Libraries: Furniture from the old Sequim Library and Port Angeles Library was installed and items no longer needed were taken to the vacated temporary library in Sequim; unneeded items will be surplus and donated to local non-profits; lawn care.

Vehicles: Bookmobile window repair; Chevy van air conditioner repair; white Forester front wheel ball joint replacement.

Other: Staff attended All Staff Training Day; disposed of scrap metal.

Information Technology (IT) Department

Erin Shield, Technical Services Manager

In May, IT worked on migrating existing files from SharePoint 2016 to SharePoint Online for staff intranet access. SharePoint 2016 will not be supported after mid-July. This will require additional staff training and much more work but the rollout allows for additional features to be added in as time allow. IT is also very close to making cloud printing a reality for patrons. Staff are testing and troubleshooting the current configuration. They are confident the wireless printing option will be available by the end of July.

Tasks completed:

- 53 tickets resolved
- Phone issue troubleshooting
- Renewed security certificates for mobile device management and E-resources authentication
- Created draft list of supported applications
- Completed work on INET and ENET domains
- Fully implemented policy for email security
- Replaced ENET domain controllers to complete upgrades of all servers
- Testing password manager options for staff
- Investigated reports of slow nols.org website
- Changed outdated administrative Polaris password
- Aligned security groups for general server admins and Polaris server admins
- Started planning for automated certificate renewals
- Scheduled firmware upgrades for network equipment
- Tracked 6 months of web usage statistics through the Beanstack platform
- Computers were installed in Forks and Clallam Bay for the marketing TVs, fully restoring NOLS broadcast information
- NOLS Gear page updated to include new Forks Timber Museum Pass
- The Summer Reading patron challenge was created and published
- Added new public PC to Clallam Bay and adjusted for new furniture

Technical Services Department

Erin Shield, Technical Services Manager

In May, Technical Services started Round 2 of J Beginning Chapter book recataloging project. The J graphic novel recataloging project is paused while the remaining beginning chapter books get relabeled and established on their new shelf space.

An internal program where staff visit other departments, Librarians Without Borders, allowed several staff to take a mini-vacation to Tech Services for the day. Amy and Melissa from Finance

and Violette and Katy from the West End were visitors for half a day to learn about the fascinating back-end workings of Technical Services.

Technical Services staff participated in trainings, webinars, tasks and meetings in May related to ILS Team, NOLS Gear team, Materials Request Subcommittee, Web Team, Sequim building project, Collection Management Team, Health and Safety Committee, and Management Team.

Notable in May:

- Learned a few new things in recent vendor website trainings (Technical Services Lead Wendy O.)
- It was very fun to do Librarians Without Borders. There were a lot of good questions and it is nice to build connections with people in other departments. (Technical Services Specialist Jennifer F.)
- Found a more user-friendly way to display the dates of magazines in the catalog. (Technical Services Specialist Cindy T.)

Statistics:

- 970 physical items processed;
- 359 print materials repaired, including 146 recats;
- 82 media items repaired;
- 27 physical donations added to collection;
- 134 InterLibrary Loan requests for NOLS' patrons filled;
- 93 items loaned to other libraries;
- 19 issues resolved by the Cataloging Team including incorrect cover images, titles not displaying properly, and a variety of other issues;
- Acquisitions Team: Just under 2 days for the average turnaround time from selectors submitting materials shopping carts to getting materials ordered

Administrative Operations Department

Human Resources

Shaina Lent, HR & Business Manager

Significant meetings/events and projects this month:

- EDI Implementation Plan Update Project
- Compensation Study Project
- All Staff Training Day Team Implementation
- Routine Management Team and Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion Team meetings.

Recruitments:

- Courier – OR
- Public Services Librarian – SQ
- Technical Services Specialist – TS
- Shelver – SQ
- WE Community Outreach Specialist – OR

New Hires:

- None

Separations:

- Corrina Desmarais – Public Services Librarian – SQ

Marketing and Communications

Karyn Bocko, Marketing and Communications Manager

- Announced the levy count and results in a series of communications.
- Focused on Summer Reading Program marketing and communications work with significant design work completed by Marketing Specialist Jessica S.
- Assisted with communications about construction projects: Accessible Pathways in Port Angeles and final work in Sequim.
- Supported a variety of programs and services from the NOLS Gear Timber Museum pass, Kids Book Club Kits, and teen tobacco/vape prevention, to the Perinatal Mental Health Awareness art exhibit.

News Releases & Articles:

- Issued 11 news releases.
- The monthly “Off the Shelf” Sequim Gazette article showcased local history resources and book recommendations to coincide with Irrigation Festival, contributed by columnist by Emily Sly.
- The “Borrow this Book” Sequim Gazette column focused on the One Book, One Coast community reading selection, “They Called Us Enemy.” Librarian Clair Dunlap provided a review and a booklist for further reading.

Financial Operations

Amy Hough, Finance Manager

- Filed the Annual Financial Report with the State Auditor’s Office
- Joined the interviews for the Technical Services Specialist recruitment
- Shadowed Technical Services staff to understand their processes

- Participated in All-Staff Training Day

Public Service Director's Report

Meghan Sullivan, Public Services Director

- Recruitment activities for Sequim Public Services Librarian, West End Community Outreach Specialist, and Outreach Services Courier positions.
- Continued support of onboarding and training activities for new Library Managers.
- Participated in support activities for the Port Angeles Library Accessible Pathways Project including working with the Port Angeles Friends of the Library on changes in the lobby to address accessibility needs.
- Supported Summer Reading 2026 planning activities including all-staff communications.
- Supported One Book, One Coast 2026 programming including all-staff communications and liaising with the program's planning team.
- Meeting with, Field Arts & Event Hall staff, Port Angeles Public Services Librarian, Sarah M., and Library Manager, Travis P. to discuss 2027 program collaboration opportunities.
- Attended monthly Port Angeles Friends of the Library Board Meeting.
- Participated in All-Staff Training Day.
- Multiple site visits to Clallam Bay, Forks, and Sequim Libraries including shipment and staffing support.
- Routine Management Team, Branch Manager, Adult Services, Youth Services, Outreach Services, Health & Safety Team, Beanstack Team, ILS Team, Circulation Team, Collection Management Team, Port Angeles Branch Staff Meeting, North Olympic Library Foundation, NOLS Board of Trustees, and individual One-on-One Meetings.

Executive Director's Report

Noah Glaude, Executive Director

Significant meetings/events and projects this month:

- Levy Lid Lift Wrap-up
- Library Council of Washington meeting in Olympia and Tumwater
- Met with and gave a tour of the Sequim Library to Acting Director of the WA Department of Commerce and staff
- Met with and gave a tour of the Sequim Library to members of the American Forest Resource Council
- Sequim Library Expansion and Renovation Project
 - Address punch-list items
 - Identify and develop plans for post-occupancy issues
 - Grant documentation
 - Temporary Space cleanup
- Port Angeles Accessible Pathways Project Grant Paperwork
- Compensation Study meetings
- West End Furniture Shifts
- Clallam County Revenue Advisory Committee meetings
- Routine Branch Manager, Collection Management, ILS, IT, and Management Team



Customer Comments

May 2026

The following comments were received by the Library during the month of May 2026. Where the customer requested a personal reply by phone or email, it was provided. Customer comments and responses are posted on the Library's website.

Comment:

Newly posted poems at Dungeness Spit make no sense. It's not that posting poems is inappropriate, it's that the poems posted make no sense.

Response:

Thank you for your feedback. The poems added along the Dungeness Spit Trail are part of our Poetry Walks program, which brings poetry to trails throughout Clallam County and is intended to encourage reflection and connection with the natural environment. The selected poems generally share themes related to nature and place.

For the Dungeness Spit Trail specifically, the poems were chosen through a combination of contributions from local poets and recommendations from staff at the Dungeness Wildlife Refuge. One of the featured poems also incorporates Klallam language, reflecting the cultural and historical significance of the area.

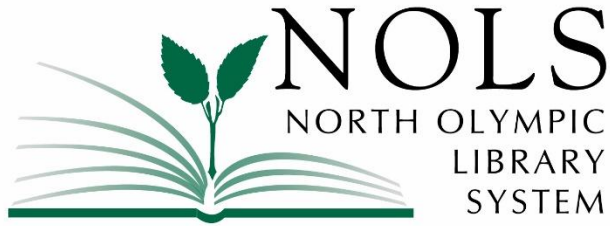
We understand that poetry can resonate differently with each visitor, and we appreciate you taking the time to share your perspective.

Comment:

I walked in from way out in construction area – there were no lights in entry; no people in view; another person and I walked all the way to the exterior glass doors with guesses as to open or closed?? Perhaps a lighted sign? OPEN?

Response:

No response was requested, but this suggestion will be looked into. The Port Angeles Main Library did utilize an LED open sign when it was only offering curbside pickup during the pandemic.



Highlight Log
(May 2026)

The Highlight Log provides an intranet location for NOLS staff to share uplifting anecdotes and patron comments. It provides an interesting glimpse into community perceptions about the Library. The following is a list of Highlights logged during the past month.

05/01/2026 – Port Angeles

A patron stopped in their tracks, pointed to the sculpture in the glass case for the "More Than The Blues" art show, and exclaimed, "I LOVE that!" She and her friends all went over to look closer and read the accompanying poem. One remarked that the library always has interesting art on view.

05/02/2026 – Forks

25 people attended the Septic 101 & 201 class led by Clallam County Environmental Health. Participants were extremely excited about the opportunity. A big thank you to Jen Smathers for creating this program!

05/06/2026 – Forks

It was a bittersweet moment as we wrapped up the ECEAP school year with a class field trip to the library. It's been such a joy to watch these preschoolers grow and learn, and now most of them are ready to graduate and move on to Kindergarten. We had a fantastic turnout with 53 students, parents, and teachers joining in on the fun. We explored some items that NOLS Gears offers. I got to show them the violin, the Feiro Marine Life pass, and the telescope. Pete the Cat stopped by to say goodbye to all the kids.

05/07/2026 – Clallam Bay

I visited the Clallam Bay middle school and high school to promote SRP programs. After seeing the NOLS table, students were excited. I heard several positive comments like, "This was such a good idea," "This is awesome," and "I'm glad the levy lift passed; I thought they were going to close the Clallam Bay library." One of the teachers approached me and said I made the kids' day with all the fun giveaways and books! Every student who came to the table took an SRP brochure and thanked me for being there. Overall, it was a very good start to promoting SRP programs in the West End!

05/07/2026 – Forks

We just finished our first One Book, One Coast program in Forks. The documentary we played, *Defiant to the Last*, engaged many patrons. I had a fascinating conversation with a patron who shared his own knowledge of gaman art and his connection to the Tule Lake Segregation Center that was discussed in the documentary. The topic interested many patrons and some took a giveaway copy of *They Called Us Enemy* on their way out.

05/07/2026 – Port Angeles

All four Peninsula Pre-3 Cooperative Preschool classes visited the library for a field trip this week! I briefly shared with the adults about services the library provides. We read "I'm so Happy You're Here: A Celebration of Library Joy" by Mychal Threets and we sang songs while doing parachute play! The classes stayed and played with the dinosaurs and blocks, read with their adults, watched the construction crew from the window, and checked out books. There was a total of 87 in attendance between the four classes.

05/07/2026 – Port Angeles

A family with a couple of tweens came to the desk to get library cards. They were excited, and wanted to know where the "event" was. I asked if they were going to Tween Thursday, and they said that all of their friends were talking about it at school, so they were excited to come for the first time!

05/07/2026 – Port Angeles

A regular tween patron's dad shared with me that as they're planning tween's birthday party they are thinking of renting the Carver Room because it's a "fun and familiar space." It is nice to know that good memories made at the library translate to safe spaces for personal events that might otherwise be overwhelming for some kids.

05/07/2026 – Port Angeles

A patron dropped by the front desk to share how moved she is by the "More Than the Blues" art exhibition we have up in Port Angeles until the end of the month. She had her hands on her heart as she shared her feelings about the art and the topic. "For those of us who have gone through the baby blues, being seen is so validating!"

05/08/2026 – Forks

Children, parents, and seniors had a wonderful time making cards, crafts, and beaded bracelets at our Mother's Day craft station. I loved seeing their creations!

05/09/2026 – Sequim

Sequim Teen Advisory Board wrapped up this week with a celebration party, where the teens watched a movie and ate DQ Blizzards (their choice.) It's been really sweet to see them build a connection with each other and to plan teen programs I would never have dreamed of that other teens got to attend to build community through the library. Until next year!

05/12/2026 – Port Angeles

A patron came up to check out their books and expressed how happy they were that the levy passed! They also said how thankful they were for the library and wanted to say thank you to everyone who works for NOLS. Thanks, everyone, for everything you do!

05/13/2026 – Bookmobile

In Neah Bay we had a young patron pull their adult to the Bookmobile while exclaiming, "They have so many books!"

05/13/2026 – Forks

We welcomed Phina Pipa to Forks for a magic workshop. This family-friendly event brought many surprised faces. Every attendee learned two magic tricks, and everyone left happy, asking if she could return to our area in the future.

05/13/2026 – NOLS

It has been another great season of Poetry Walks so far - I have heard from our community partners and patrons, the gratitude for continuing this program. I learned recently that one of our local poets, Jamestown S'Klallam tribal member, Rachel Sullivan-Owens, is a student of author and poet, Sasha LaPointe. It's exciting to continue building relationships with poets in Clallam County and to share their work. Clallam County poet laureate, Nellie Bridge was also delighted to come across her poem on the Dungeness Spit trail this year when walking with her students!

05/13/2026 – Sequim

At our last Family Storytime of the season, we read "We All Play" by Julie Flett. The kiddos were loving relating to the animals, pointing them out, making animal noises, and hopping like bunnies. I pointed out the baby bears and said, "Look there are baby bears, just like you! Is anyone a baby bear?" The response to this was a chorus of tiny voices shouting, "I'M A BABY BEAR! I'M A BABY BEAR!" Looking forward to seeing all the baby bears again in June.

05/14/2026 – Bookmobile

K-6 grade students at Quileute Tribal School were excited to hear about the Summer Reading Program at the library. Several wanted to share which shirts they have collected over the years and talked about going to the Forks branch for programs. We also shared that the Bookmobile will continue visiting La Push throughout the summer so they can keep checking out books all summer long!

05/14/2026 – Port Angeles

For the last day of Tween Thursday of the school year, one tween and his grandparents brought donuts for everyone and we had a party with the bubble machine! One tween had everyone sign a bookmark like a yearbook to remember all their fun times together.



05/15/2026 – Forks

I was helping contact patrons about our suspended holds update and had a conversation with an older gentleman who "Was almost moved to tears that our library would go out of its way to explain a change in the system instead of just implementing it and hoping people would catch on" I thought it was super sweet and wanted to share with y'all.

05/15/2026 – Port Angeles

A patron called to rave about how much he had enjoyed the poems posted on the Spruce Railroad Trail. He was not expecting to see the signs and was delighted when he realized he would be experiencing the beauty of Lake Crescent AND poems as he hiked along on a rainy day. I shared with him the complete list of poems and the trail locations where they can be enjoyed.

05/18/2026 – Port Angeles

At the last day of Magic Monday for the 25-26 school year, all the regular players presented me with a thank you card, some very cool drawings, and a Magic card.

05/21/2026 – Port Angeles

10 people came to hear Ellen Sato speak about the Bainbridge Island experience regarding Japanese Americans being rounded up and sent to an internment camp in California. There were 3 people in attendance who were friends with some of the people highlighted in the talk and in the pictures who were able to add their own experience. "Nidoto Nai Yoni" - Let it Not Happen Again.

05/21/2026 – Port Angeles

Over the past week or so, I've been helping a patron with information about Poetry Walks. They shared that they've also gotten help recently in the Sequim branch. The patron worked in libraries for over 25 years and still feel that NOLS staff go above and beyond for our patrons. "What really, really touches me, is to always feel welcomed by the NOLS staff and to know that all of you will not quit until I have been completely satisfied. Not one of the library staff has ever made me feel like I was interrupting their work or that I was not the most important person in the room. Even today when I was at the Sequim library and I was helped by a young woman who would not give up until she found exactly what I was after. My library experience covered the years 1965 - 1991. It was all in DC libraries and I can say that there were very few times when I felt the same appreciation and good feelings that I have for NOLS. Please tell your library director!"

05/22/2026 – Outreach

Yesterday Violette and I had the pleasure of tabling at Quileute Elder's Week. We got to chat with over 120 people, gave away books, signed up new library patrons, and saw a lot of familiar faces! Several students from Quileute Tribal School dropped by to tell us that they check their books out from the Bookmobile!

05/22/2026 – Port Angeles

Today I had the pleasure of making a little one's first library card! She was so excited to pick out her own card and sign it. She's been a regular patron for a while, but it was so special to be a part of making her first card. :)

05/22/2026 – Sequim

SQ staff have been trying to help a patron access Kanopy for about 3 days now, all over the phone. We brought IT in to help as well but finally settled on her coming in this morning to sit down and get one on one help during our 'Drop-in Tech Help' session. She came in just to let us know that all the phone help worked and she was able to access Kanopy this morning! She wants to thank all staff who have helped over the last few days.

05/23/2026 – Port Angeles

20-Something Saturday was a success! Patrons in their 20-something years of life gathered to share what they've been reading/watching/listening to and chat about all of life's hypothetical questions. If we were in a post apocalyptic world, what movie/show would you want to bring to the future to watch for comfort as well as to educate future generations? A sample of the the given answers: Spongebob, Mr. Rogers Neighborhood, Twin Peaks, Inside Out 2, and Shrek... as well as some really rad YouTube channel shows. Everyone had a fun time and three folks planned to meet again at the next event in June!

05/29/2026 – Port Angeles

I was stopped by a patron who wanted me to know how much he appreciated how quiet, clean, and organized the library is, as well as mentioning the amazing selection of books we have. He went on to tell me that he is from a country in West Africa where they do not have libraries, and was just so grateful for all that he is able to do here at NOLS.