

## Phoenicia Library Director's Report on September 2021

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### General Library

- **Important Dates for Board Members/Volunteers for Community Outreach**
  - **Saturday, October 23<sup>rd</sup>: “Fallnecia” ... Phoenicia Business Association event 11am – 4 pm, Main Street.** (The staff is giving out Halloween early readers, note pads/pencils, candy at the library).
  - **Sunday, October 24<sup>th</sup>: Library booth at Farmers Market 10-2 (Francesca Art Hour – super hero mask making)**
    - Featuring also: **Annual Library Coffee/Craft with a Cop 10-12**
      - I would like board members to host this event with me. Please let me know if you can be there to greet and welcome the community and the police. Thank you!
  - **Sunday, October 31<sup>st</sup>: Library Booth at Farmers Market (last one of the season!) 10-2 (Francesca Art Hour – spooky craft).** Also happening this farmers market: music and Amy's Takeaway selling soups.
- **Shandaken** cases at 1 on 10/15/21, Ulster an area of “substantial” spread with 4.5% positivity average for the last week, but heading upwards in last few days. School had been case free for a week, and now has small outbreak.
- **Testing:** I was able to get 10 rapid covid tests for staff to use if symptomatic before a shift. It has limited use but better than nothing. We have had two cases of staff with exposure/symptoms that had to get PCR and stay home. No cases at work. Am going to check in with seniors if they want some too.
- **Trustee Training** After quite a bit of advocacy spanning close to ten years, the Governor has signed the Trustee Education Bill . It does not fully go into effect until January 2023 – we will get more details. MHLS will be an approved provider of trustee education that will count towards this new requirement, so it will be easy to fulfil, most likely with virtual option.

- **Annual board NYS compliance:** conflict of interest, whistleblower, sexual harassment training. Let me know if any questions. Please get in to me by Nov.30.

More to come at the meeting...