

DIRECTOR'S REPORT FOR OCTOBER 2025

Kathy Savage, Acting Director, submitted for October 16, 2025

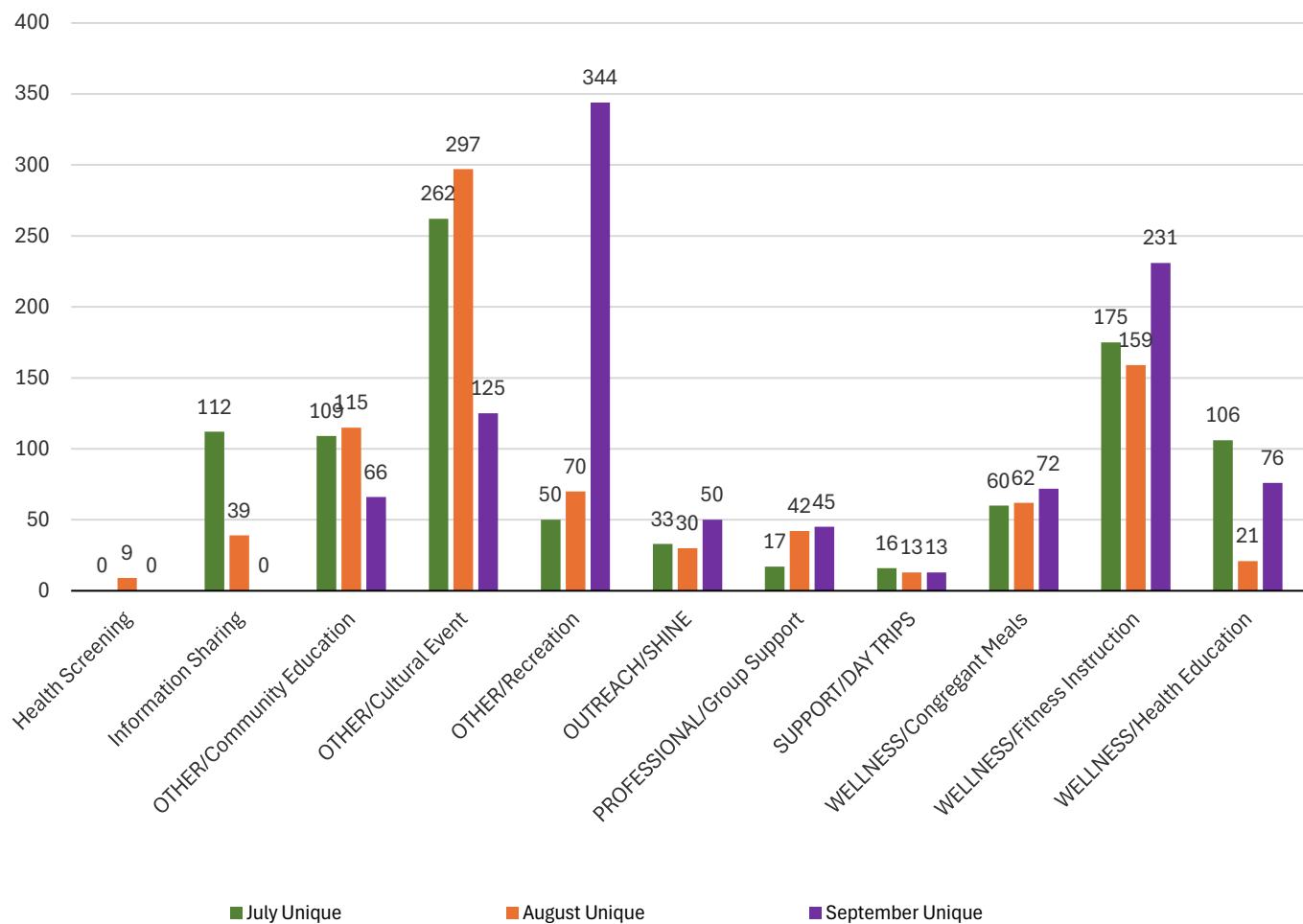
Enrollment

During September, the COA acquired 17 new patrons – 8 of whom are Wellesley residents and 9 are nonresidents. Of these, 5 are in the 60-69 age group, 4 are in the 70-79 age group, and 8 are in the 80+ age group. Additionally, 10 patrons are female, and 7 are male. Of the 664 patrons who participated in programming, 509 are Wellesley residents, and 155 are nonresidents.

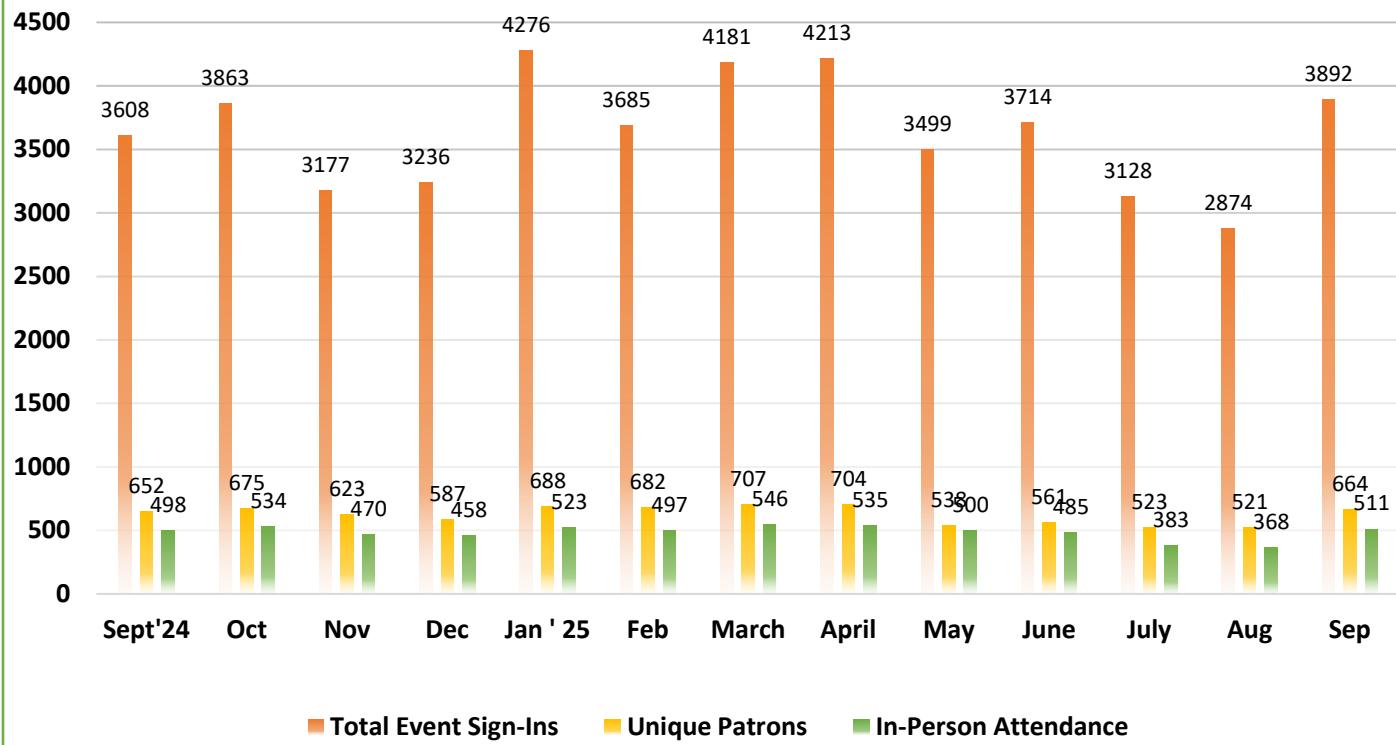
Actual Sign-Ups

We had 3892 Total Event Sign-Ups with 664 total unique patrons for the month.

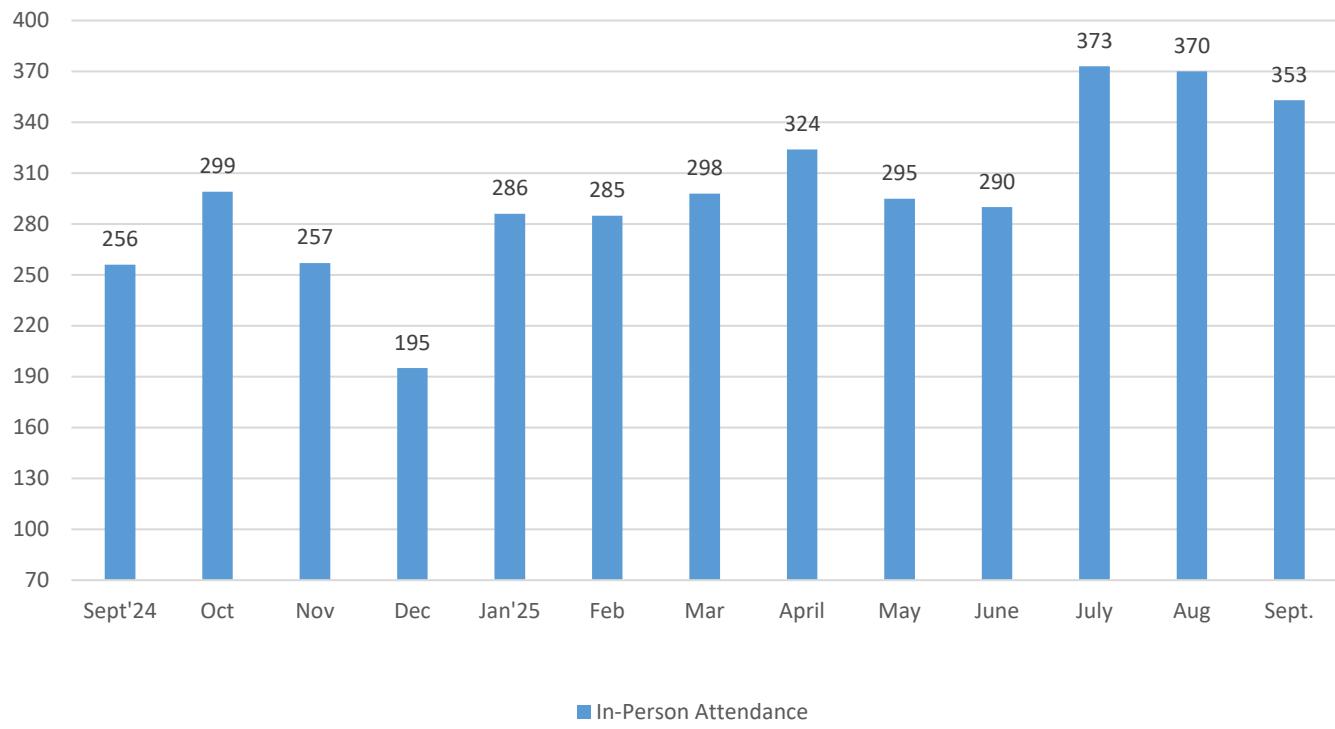
July to September 2025
Category Activity Comparison



EVENT PARTICIPATION



Lunches



Event Capacity -- 09/01/2025 to 09/30/2025

Event Name	Resident	NonResident	Waitlist	Max Capacity	% Attended of Max Capacity
APT - SHINE - George	5	1	0	6	100%
APT - SHINE - Rochelle	5	0	0	6	83%
APT - Tuesday Tech Help Lois	5	0	0	16	31%
ART - Needle Felted Pumpkins	3	0	0	12	25%
ART - Still Life Sketching	13	0	7	12	108%
ART - Watercolor for All	7	0	7	8	88%
Bears Community Service	23	0	0	80	29%
BINGO	16	1	0	20	85%
Bridge	21	11	0	48	67%
BUS - Market Basket	8	0	0	10	80%
BUS - Trader Joes	7	0	0	10	70%
BUS - Walmart/Target	8	0	0	12	67%
Cards and Games	8	33	0	210	20%
Cornhole Tournaments	13	1	5	16	88%
Cribbage	42	6	0	75	64%
Discover Wellesley Neighbors: Aging In Place	29	4	1	35	94%
Donuts and Coffee with Wellesley Police	16	1	0	20	85%
DRP - Drop In Knitting	7	18	0	60	42%
DRP - Drop In Painting	16	2	0	80	23%
Family & Friends CPR	14	2	7	15	107%
FIT - All Levels Yoga	80	4	17	96	88%
FIT - Cardio Dance and Strength	36	3	0	57	68%
FIT - Chair Yoga - ZOOM	8	12	0	200	10%
FIT - Core and More	26	0	0	42	62%
FIT - Fit For Life	46	0	16	48	96%
FIT - Hi Low Fitness	53	0	4	64	83%
FIT - Pilates - ZOOM	33	0	0	200	17%
FIT - Seated Strength and Balance - ZOOM	142	11	0	450	34%
FIT - Tai Chi	72	12	0	162	52%
FIT - Yoga for Better Balance	73	2	0	144	52%
Fitness Center	362	4	0	630	58%
FOD - Lunch	342	7	0	402	87%
Friends of WCOA Meet & Greet	25	0	22	25	100%
From Volcanoes to the Columbia River	29	5	13	35	97%
General Visit/Coffee/Library	445	52	0	1,050	47%
GRP - All Abilities Knitting	30	5	6	56	63%
GRP - American Literary Classics Book Discussion	5	1	0	15	40%
GRP - Economy Watch: A Financial Discussion	13	2	15	20	75%
GRP - Experienced Knitting	32	4	0	56	64%
GRP - Great Poems Discussion	6	2	0	15	53%
GRP - Men in Retirement	24	9	0	48	69%
GRP - Shakespeare Discussion Group	8	4	0	15	80%
GRP - Social Connections	56	8	0	150	43%
GRP - Tell Us What You Are Reading Discussion	6	0	0	16	38%
GRP - The Afternoon Discussion Group	8	8	0	20	80%
GRP - Women in Retirement	2	6	0	24	33%
GRP - World History Book Discussion	3	0	0	15	20%
Impossible Realities: The Art of M C Escher (VIR)	37	7	0	50	88%
Keep Well Clinic	4	0	0	24	17%
KevTech	32	1	31	40	83%
Mah Jongg	26	8	0	60	57%
Medicare 101	22	6	0	35	80%
Mexican Train Dominoes	8	1	0	32	28%
Movie - Im Still Here (2024)	17	3	0	35	57%
Movie - Faraway (2023)	27	1	0	35	80%
Movie - September 5 (2024)	15	1	0	35	46%
Movie - The Founder (2017)	25	2	0	35	77%
Photography Club	19	3	0	40	55%
Ping Pong	59	3	0	192	32%
Ponzi Madoff & Other Scammers Through the Ages	26	6	10	35	91%
Pool	101	49	0	315	48%
Real Pirates Set Sail with The Real Pirates Adv.	21	5	14	35	74%
Scrabble	12	5	0	32	53%
Sing Along with Marie Brown	19	4	0	30	77%
SUP - Non-resident newsletter fee	0	0	0	20	0%
Tommy Rull	22	11	6	35	94%
Tomoko Iwamoto - Violin	18	4	0	35	63%
Walking Group	110	25	0	240	56%
WRK - Paper Flower Making	5	1	0	8	75%
Total Duplicated	2,856	387	181		
Total Unduplicated	465	143			

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GIFTS FROM SEPTEMBER 2025

\$345.79	Friends of the Wellesley COA	Coffee Subsidy September 2025
\$984.00	Friends of the Wellesley COA	Lunch Subsidy September 2025
\$1,920.00	Almira Simons Fund	Simons Lunch September 2025
\$100.00	Almira Simons Fund	Programming/Scholarship September 2025
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Directors' Report September 2025

Activities

September 4 – Discover Wellesley Neighbors: Aging in Place with Community

A well-attended session that highlighted resources for older adults wanting to stay independent at home, while building a stronger sense of belonging through community connections and programs.

September 11th - Singalong with Marie

Our first volunteer-run ***Singalong with Marie*** was a wonderful success! Patrons joined in, enjoying familiar favorites while singing along to videos. The room was full of smiles, laughter, and the simple joy of making music together. Everyone left looking forward to the next gathering!

September 17 – Fall Cornhole Tournament

A lively cornhole tournament with cider and donuts, combining social engagement with lighthearted fun.

September 18 – Real Pirates Adventure

An engaging historical talk on New England piracy and the discovery of the Whydah shipwreck sparked plenty of questions and a sense of adventure among attendees.

September 19 – Family & Friends CPR Training

In partnership with the Wellesley Fire Department, participants observed life-saving skills in an approachable format, leaving with greater confidence. **Class led by Fire Department Lt Delany**

September 24 – Tomoko Iwamoto Violin Performance

A rich cultural afternoon blending Iwamoto's versatile violin performance and personality

September 24 - Friends Meet & Greet

Friends of the COA nighttime social event, complete with Shake Shack meals that brought both energy and laughter to a special night. **Media coverage from the Swellesley Report**

September 25 – Ponzi, Madoff, and Other Scammers Through the Ages

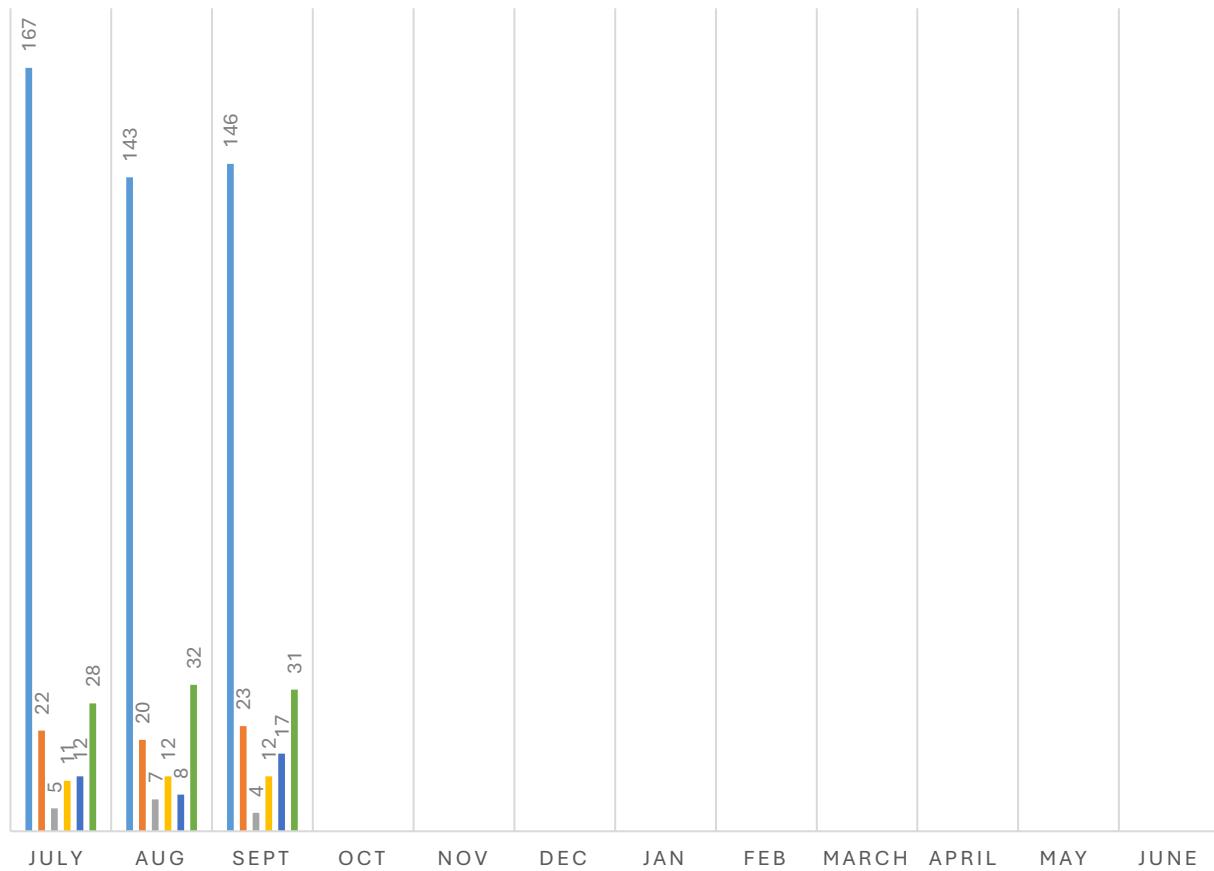
A timely financial literacy session exploring famous frauds, with practical takeaways on how to spot red flags and protect personal assets.

September 30 – From Volcanoes to the Columbia River

A dynamic presentation blending geology, travel, and storytelling, giving attendees a "virtual journey" across the dramatic landscapes of the Pacific Northwest.

SOCIAL SERVICES: FY 2026

Groups Phone Home Office Email Unduplicated



Transportation

Wellesley COA Bus had **248 Rides** with **52 Riders** for September 2025.

Volunteer Driver Program had **7 Requests**, **4 were completed**, and **3 were abandoned** for September 2025.

