

## 2023: A Year in Review



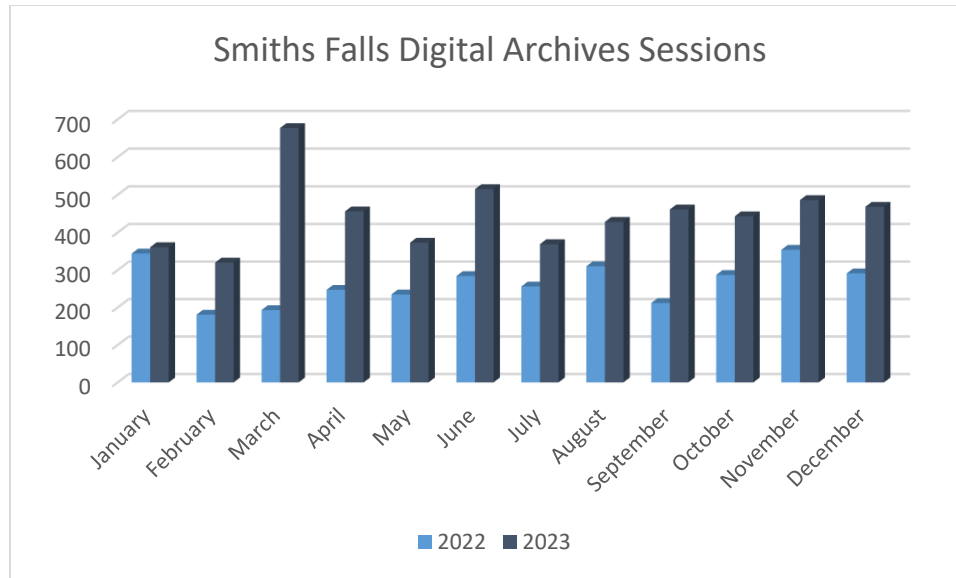
The most notable event of 2023 happened at the end of the year: the library moved to a temporary location to allow for an addition and extensive renovations to the children's department!

Other notable happenings in 2023 included:

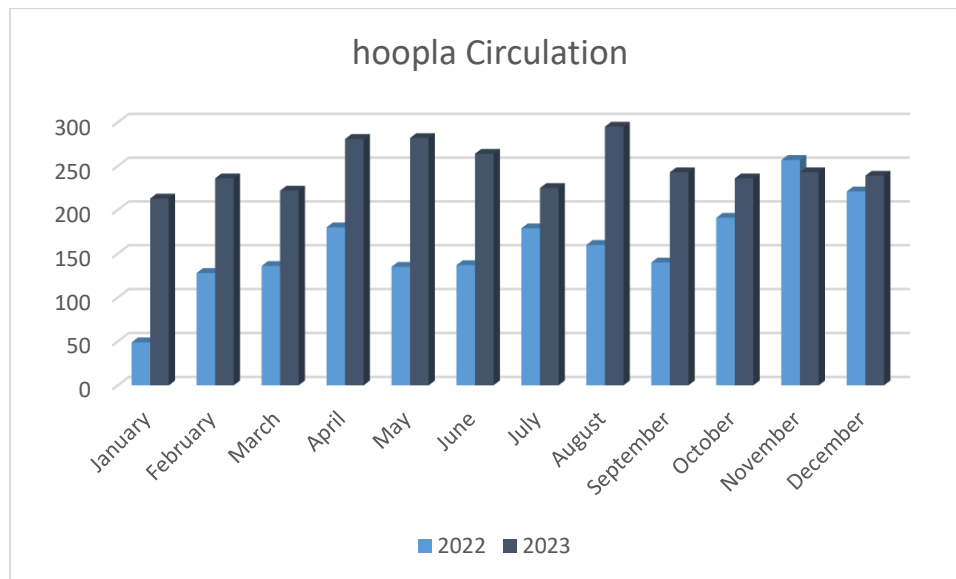
- We offered a number of new program offerings including a variety of children's programs from Steampunk Education which was generously funded by the Elizabeth Kelly Foundation



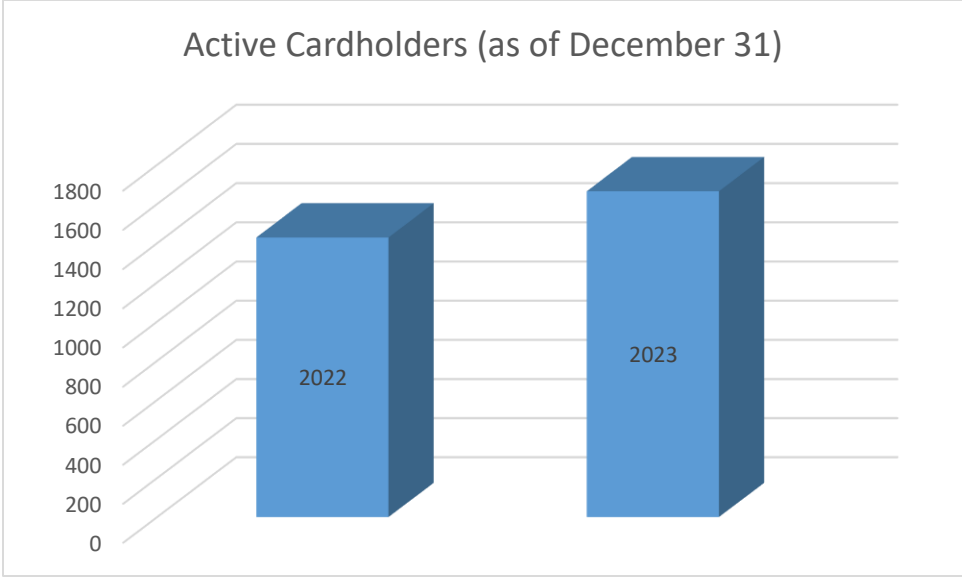
- Teen Night saw a notable increase in popularity later in the year
- We continued to make considerable progress in modernizing the collection through a combination of extensive weeding and adding plenty of new books
- We continued to add to the Smiths Falls Digital Archives which saw a huge (67.7%) increase in sessions



- hoopla circulation increased by 55.7% in 2023 over 2022 as more users discovered all that it offers!



- From December 31, 2022 to December 31, 2023, we had a 16.5% increase in active cardholders!



- Despite our December closure for the move, we still saw a 12.3% increase in visitors to the library in 2023 over 2022!

