

Town of Limerick Public Library

Librarian's Report 2015

In 2015, the following items were added to the collection 601 adult books, 407 children's books, 25 audio books and 231 DVD's. These additions to the collection were made possible through budgeted purchases and generous donations. Circulated in 2015 were 11,556 books and 3647 non-book materials. The library has 2,512 patrons with library cards, some of those are family cards "one card used by multiple family members". We borrowed 341 books for Library patrons from libraries throughout the United States. We loaned 49 books to other Maine Libraries. Patron visits for 2015 totaled 8,400. The public computers were used by 1945 patrons.

Patrons were able to borrow the free or reduced admission passes to the Maine Wildlife Park in Gray and Willowbrook Museum in Newfield.

The Limerick Garden Tour and annual Book Sale generated \$4,192. Memorial donations were received in the amount of \$830. Some of these donations were used to purchase large print books.

There were 190 programs at the library attended by a total of 1,319 patrons. The following is a partial list of the programs: Weekly pre-school story-time, adult book discussions, adult card games, adult coloring, knitting, seasonal paper craft programs, Summer Reading Program, Author and artist talks, pumpkin carving, and Affordable Care Act health insurance sign-up. In addition, we partnered with the Limerick Fire Department for a music event/fundraiser for the Line Elementary School anti-bullying program. We had one of the quilts from the NAMES Project Foundation / AIDS Memorial Quilt on display in July as well an Author and speaker to help us commemorate those who have died of AIDS.

The annual Summer Reading Program was completed by 82 children in 2015. Congratulations to the children and their families who supported them.

Thank you to the 37 volunteers who donated 783 hours of service in 2015.

For current news, activities, and programming visit the Library's facebook page. The online catalog, monthly newsletter, and calendar are available at the Library page on the Town of Limerick web site at: www.limerickme.org.

Respectfully submitted,

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