

February Librarian's Report

Librarian's Summary:

January has been a month of growth at the Library! Curiosity has flourished through increased patron interactions with myself and interest in our unique program offerings. Our wonderful Library staff have participated in collaborative conversations that have sparked new opportunities for service inside and outside the Library.

As I get to know the Library, it's patrons and the Town of Wolfeboro I have been struck by the kindness and can-do attitude of the people of New Hampshire. Everyday brings new adventures in Wolfeboro!

Monthly Statistics

Visits	Circulation	Reference	Hoopla	Computer	LinkedIn Learning	Meeting Rooms
4699	4585	541	359	289	158	104

Program Attendance

Adult Programs	Youth Programs
50	63

Program Highlights:

Keep Calm & Yarn On
Acoustic Guitar Jam
AARP Tax Assistance
Tech Tuesdays

Upcoming Programs:

Art Class with Ms. Jeanne
Friday Film Series
200 Women Exhibition
Pastel Society
Community-Wide Read 2022

Facility

The sprinkler system malfunctioned on February 1, 2022 causing a significant leak in the Children's Department. Public Works, the Fire Department, Capital Fire Protection Company, and Milestone Construction were all called and worked quickly with Mike Babylon to locate the source of the leak and repair it.

In repairing the leak we became aware of possible sub-standard fasteners used in the construction of the sprinkler system that could leave us open to future failures over other parts of the building. Currently Dave Ford, Adam Tasker, Jim Pineo, Brian Gehris of Milestone are working with Mike Babylon and Myself to determine if this is something that a sub-contractor needs to rectify. I will keep the Trustees informed at each step.

Staff Highlights

- Chris Fluhr and Mike Babylon highlighted a timesaving process for periodical processing. This new process will improve patron experience at the desk when checking out and starts March 1.
- Jeanne Mitchell has shown excellent initiative in volunteering for tasks and will now be assisting and coordinating the administrative side of programming activities. She has shown a real knack for keeping things organized.
- Barbara Eldridge has stepped up and filled in without complaint when there are schedule gaps. We really appreciate her willingness to serve.
- Joyce Davis secured the Pastel Society Art Exhibition along with the 200 Women Exhibition from Brewster Academy. We are thankful for her creative talents.
- Mike Babylon continues to save the Library money by finding ways to achieve what we need technologically or facility wise in house. He is a problem solver extraordinaire.
- Jeanne Snowdon created so many wonderful programs over the past month that delighted patrons and engaged their imaginations. She began work with the Friends of the Library on the Fiske Foundation \$5,000 grant to create and Imagination space in the Children's Area.
- Lori Pankowski has worked above and beyond with tireless patience orienting the new Library Director to the filing systems, Library policies and general need to know of the Town.
- Cindy Fournier, our wonderful and tireless custodian, received a long overdue vacuum cleaner to make her job more efficient.
- Sachiko Tuttle, Library Page of 14 years, gave valuable insight as to what in the collection is actually used and what is not.
- Anita Spencer utilized her background as a computer programmer to provide insight on ways to create efficiencies and improve processes. She is a valuable member of our team.