



Windham Public Library Report May 2017



Mission, Success, Measurement

One way that the library defines success at our mission is by ensuring that we continue to be a gateway to technology. We assist patrons by providing training to use personal devices and public access computers as well as specific programs, such as setting up email accounts or applying for jobs online. In addition, we offer technology for our youngest patrons. We have a computer preloaded with specially curated software to build literacy and technology skills. This summer, with the assistance of a Maine Public Library Fund grant, we'll be adding iPads in the Children's Room. The iPads will have educational apps loaded as well as other equipment that will be used with the iPads to enhance the children's learning experience. The library thanks the Maine State Library for providing grants through Maine State Tax checkoff funds to support this project.

What's going on?

May 2 was the final day for the second grade Junior Achievement sessions for Joyce Whidden's and Jenny Hopkins' classes. Visits were also made to Birchwood, Creative Explorations, and Little Log Cabin Montessori School during the month. It was the end of the year visit for two of the three preschools.

Tea was held on Tuesday, May 30, with about 30 folks stopping by to enjoy ice box cakes, new crackers, and cheese.

The Summer Reading Program scheduling, programming, and paperwork were a major focus of the month. It is good to have most of that in place.

The library's 3rd annual Star Wars Day celebrations were great fun for all who attended (and many who looked on!). We had 53 attendees (36 kids and 17 adults) who did scavenger hunts, coloring pages, lightsaber crafts, and other activities to celebrate the day. A special photo backdrop was set up for those who wanted their picture taken—in Star Wars costume or not—and 25 colorful shots were posted on the library facebook page. Casablanca Comics and Bull Moose generously donated comic books, gift certificates and trading cards to give away as prizes for the popular scavenger hunt.

Two library staff (Jen Dupree and Sally Bannen) attended a workshop through the Sebago Lakes Chamber of Commerce along with other local business leaders. "How to be calmly powerful under stress" was a useful workshop that explored new ways to view stressful situations and your reactions to them.

Upcoming Events:

Library Closed – Saturday, June 24th- Summerfest
 Author Talk-Debra Spark, Wednesday, June 14th, 6pm
 Zen Coloring Group- Wednesday, June 7th, 6pm
 Books and Babies-Tuesdays 10:15
 Preschool Story Time-Mondays and Thursdays 10:30am
 Letterboxing begins June 19th
 Craft Day: Build a Birdhouse- Wednesday, June 21st 10:30-11:30
 Calm as Critter-weekly on Thursdays starting June, 22nd 10:15-10:45am
 Children's Author Talk- Kristen Jaccodine- Tuesday, June 27th 5-6pm
 Mad Science Program-Thursday, June 29th 1:30-2:30 @ **Windham Primary School**
 Children's Chapter Book Discussion Group-June 21st and 28th, 4pm
 Movie Time for Adults-June 21st, at 1pm and 5pm (Never Go Back)
 Knitting Group- Knitters 'N More-Every Tuesday 1pm
 Book Group-Wednesday, June 28th, 6pm (Maine Humanities "Read ME")
 Tech Help Thursdays-Every Thursday 10:30am-11:30am

<u>Monthly Usage Statistics</u> Attendance: 4,768 Windham items circulated: 7,146 Items received from Minerva libraries: 570 Windham items sent to other libraries: 674 New library patrons: 28 New items added to collection: 242 Special Requests: 9 Reference questions answered: 109 Computer sign-ins: 662 Meeting room usage: 37 Download Library: 730 checkouts Zinio: 21 checkouts ComicsPlus: 19 Items repaired: 33 Volunteer hours logged: 55.75	<u>May 2016</u> Attendance: 5,593 Items circulated: 7,014 Items received from Minerva libraries: 570 Windham items sent to other libraries: 676 New patrons: 40 Items added: 287 Special requests: 4 Reference ?'s: 167 Computer sign-ins: 654 Meeting room usage: 52 MI Downloads used: 440 3M: 122 checkouts Zinio: 31 Repaired items: 24 Volunteer hours: 105	<u>Other May 2017 Stats</u> Book Group: 18 Coloring Group: 3 Tuesday Afternoon Knitting: 68 Author Talk: 2 Library Tea: 29 Movie program, adults: 4 Teen Scavenger Hunt participants: 7 Teen Event participation: 13 Tech Help: 3 Star Wars Day: 53 <u>Story Time</u> Preschool Story Time— 8 sessions, 56 Adults, 74 Children Books and Babies— 5 sessions, 61 Adults, 67 Children Saturday Story Time— N/A <u>Pass usage</u> Children's Museum – 5 uses Dundee Park – closed Maine State Park Pass – 3 uses Maine Wildlife Park – 6 uses Planetarium – no uses PASSES SAVED PATRONS \$238
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