



Windham Public Library Report
May 2014



<p>Monthly Statistics Attendance: 5,905 Items circulated: 6,902 New library patrons: 44 New items added to collection: 365 Special Requests: 50 Reference questions answered: 110 Computer sign-ins: 493 Meeting room usage: 49 Downloads used: 441 checkouts, 15 new user registrations Items repaired: 21 Bills for un-retained materials: 12 (5 adult; 7 children) Volunteer hours logged: 108</p>	<p>Book Group attendance: 6 Story Time Preschool Story Time— 8 sessions, 37 Adults, 54 Children Books and Babies— 4 sessions, 47 Adults, 56 Children Children’s Museum – 3 uses Dundee Park – opened Memorial Weekend Maine State Park Pass – 1 use Maine Wildlife Park – 11 uses Planetarium – 4 uses Willowbrook – closed PASS USAGE SAVED PATRONS \$273 Items re-barcoded: 1818 Patron barcodes replaced: 297</p>
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What’s going on?

The Tea for You@ the library this month had a Downton Abbey theme. It was well attended and the snacks were traditional English recipes for finger sandwiches and scones with clotted cream. The staff members had a great time planning for the tea, dressing up and decorating with this theme.

The final book group in the Maine Humanities series *Making a Living, Making a Life* was held with the group discussing the book *Confessions of an Advertising Man*. Eight members of the group attended the final discussion. The book group will now return to its typical format and will be reading a novel of historical fiction for next month’s discussion. Look for more information soon about a second installment of the Maine Humanities book discussion series coming this fall.

Great progress is being made by the library staff to complete our re-barcoding of our items and patron cards in preparation of joining the statewide consortium, Minerva. Applications will be open to join the consortium this summer and we are in a good place to be accepted. As we progress there will be updates but look for a late fall start date.

Visits were made to Birchwood, Creative Explorations, Little Log Cabin Montessori School, and Sabrina Nickerson’s fifth grade class. Two complete 5 unit sessions of Junior Achievement were done with Elaine Hawthorne’s second grade class at Windham Primary School and Carol Otley’s fourth grade class at Manchester School.

Windham/Raymond Literacy for ME met at Norway Savings Bank on Monday, May 19. Information about the group was shared with Windham Rotary at their meeting on Thursday, May 22. Laurel Parker and Jen Alvino spoke about programs in which the library is currently engaged.

The Dundee Park Committee has provided a pass to the park for patrons to use once during the summer.

Upcoming events:

The next meeting of the book group is June 24th at 6:15pm. The group will be discussing *a novel of Historical Fiction. Read any of your choosing.* Contact Barbara if you need a recommendation at bkeef@windhammaine.us or 892-1908.

Tea for You @ the library—July 1st at 1:30pm

Summer Reading Program Calendars for Adults, Teens, and Children are now available. Packets for children can be picked up in the Children's Room.

Thursday, June 19, 10:30am – Make a dip net – open to 24 children entering K-6 grade in the fall

Wednesday, June 25, 2:30pm – FIZZ, BOOM, READ! Mad Science Show – Windham Middle School Gym

Thursday, June 26, 10:30am – Steve Spangler Science Surprise Day

Respectfully submitted,

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