



Windham Public Library Report May 2018



The day to day business at the library has started to return to normal after the completion of the renovation. The Maine Student Book Award Ice Cream Party was held on Monday, May 7. We had a great turn out with good conversation and participants were excited to have a chance to check out books for next year.

Diana Currier, Children's Room Coordinator, was in charge of the tea on Tuesday, May 8. More than 25 patrons enjoyed two types of delicious pie, fruit, cheese and crackers.

Gigi McAllister, who is currently serving on the statewide Maine Student Book Award Committee, stopped by to learn about how to help strengthen the CloudLibrary with current MSBA titles. This is a project that needed to change hands to keep it strong going forward. Gigi is well prepared and connected to make it a smooth transition.

Visits were made to both Birchwood and Little Log Cabin Montessori School. The Windham Primary School had a Community Day on Thursday, May 17 at which the kindergarten classes at the school presented the Children's Room with a check for \$1,163.05. Two days later 143 books had been purchased with the funds for which the library staff is most grateful. During the presentation at the Primary School, students also honored Mrs. Parker for her retirement on September 4th. It was a special presentation as Mrs. Parker has fostered lasting relationships with students in the community through her work at the library. Two third grade classes from Windham Primary School visited the library to see the new renovations on Monday, May 21. That visit was followed on the 24th by three kindergarten classes from the same school.

Plans have been finalized for the Library's involvement in Summerfest. Library staff members and patrons will be marching in the parade with our antique truck decorated with the Summer Reading theme "Libraries Rock!". Don't forget to come see us at the community booth we will be sharing with Parks and Rec. We have published our Summer Reading calendar and we'll have information to share about all our fantastic summer programming at the booth. Stop by and visit!

A fun time was had at our 4th Star Wars Day celebration. Many participants, including the library's own Sally Bannen, arrived in costume to celebrate the day. The traditional scavenger hunt was popular, with everyone who submitted their completed sheet winning a prize. Thank you to community member, Rene Vancelette, for reaching out to us and sharing his collection & time with the kids. Thanks also to Casablanca Comics, Bull Moose, and our anonymous donor for our scavenger hunt prizes.

Upcoming Events:

Library Closed Saturday, June 23rd Windham Summerfest
Children's Chapter Book Discussion Group- Wednesday, June 21st and 28th 4-5pm
Genealogy Workshop – June 13th 6pm
Summer Reading Begins! – June 18th 10am
Library Tea – June 19th 1:30 pm
Chicken Arrives! June 25th 10am
West African Rhythms and Songs at Windham Middle School June 25th 1pm
Lab Coat Adventures – June 26th 3:30pm
Calm as a Critter – Thursday, June 28th 10:30am
Craft Day – Thursday, June 28th 1:30pm
Library Movie showings-Wednesdays 1pm
Books and Babies-Tuesdays 10:15
Preschool Story Time-Mondays and Thursdays 10:30am
Knitting Group- Knitters 'N More-Every Tuesday 1pm
Tech Help Thursdays-Every Thursday 10:30am-11:30am
Maine Humanities Council book discussion-Wednesday, June 27th 6pm Read ME selection

<u>Monthly Usage Statistics</u> Attendance: 4,357 Windham items circulated: 6,835 Items received from Minerva libraries: 663 Windham items sent to other libraries: 698 New library patrons: 44 New items added to collection: 594 Special Requests: 7 Reference questions answered: 130 Computer sign-ins: 500 Meeting room usage: 41 Study Rooms: 11 Download Library: 952 Zinio: 28 ComicsPlus: 29 Universal Class Lessons Viewed: 0 Universal Class Videos Watched: 0 Items repaired: 51 Volunteer hours logged: 71.5	<u>May 2017</u> Attendance: 4,768 Items circulated: 7,146 Items received from Minerva libraries: 570 Windham items sent to other libraries: 674 New patrons: 28 Items added: 242 Special requests: 9 Reference ?'s: 109 Computer sign-ins: 662 Meeting room usage: 37 Download Library: 730 Zinio: 21 Comics Plus: 19 Repaired items: 33 Volunteer hours: 55.75	<u>Other May 2018 Stats</u> Book Group: 14 Tuesday Afternoon Knitting: 69 Author Talk: N/A Library Tea: 25 Movie program, adults: 24 Teen Scavenger Hunt participants: 3 Teen Event participation: 4 Tech Help: 2 Chapter Book Discussion Group: 4 <u>Story Time</u> Preschool Story Time— 7 sessions, 18 Adults, 24 Children Books and Babies— 5 sessions, 35 Adults, 34 Children <u>Pass usage</u> Children's Museum – 2 uses Dundee Park – closed for season Maine State Park Pass – 1 use Maine Wildlife Park – 6 uses Planetarium – 0 PASSES SAVED PATRONS \$138.00
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