



Windham Public Library Report June 2017



Mission, Success, Measurement

One way that the library defines success at our mission is by continuously evaluating our services to ensure we are providing accurate and technologically advanced access to information. We've recently made some changes to our website. We use our website to provide patrons access to their library record, the online catalog and digital services, and information about our programs and policies. The changes made to the site are in keeping up with current trends and ensuring that information is easily and readily available. Technical Services Librarian, Sally Bannen, did much of this work herself and was trained to make future changes herself. She also worked with our webmaster, Jake Paris, to address the more advanced changes. Great job Sally and Jake, the website looks great!

What's going on?

Birchwood School's last visit of the year was on June 1, and the final visit to Sabrina Nickerson's fifth grade class was June 12. Four classes from Windham Primary School came to the library to hear about the Summer Reading Program and to explore the stacks: second and third grade teachers Ms. Hawthorne, Ms. Pelletier, Ms. Tompson, and Ms. Carrier. Presentations about the Summer Reading Program were also done at the Windham Primary School library to many classes on Monday and Tuesday, June 5 and 6.

"Build a Better World," the summer program began in late June. Monday story times included a craft at the end of the program. The weekly Wednesday Chapter Book Discussion Group gives readers a chance to talk about the books they are currently reading. The first craft day for school age children gave them the opportunity to build a birdhouse thanks to the efforts of Diana Currier to have Lowe's present the program right here at the library. Diana began leading a Thursday morning program "Calm as a Critter" which helps participants focus on self-improvement through mindful thinking and yoga. Author Kristen Jaccodine presented her process and book *Freddy the Tiger* on Tuesday, June 27. With the Windham Parks and Recreation Department we were able to host "Engineer a Better World" by Mad Science of Maine at the Windham Primary School Gym on Thursday, June 29.

Library staff and 5 library patrons participated in the 2017 Windham Summerfest parade. The "old red truck" was decorated with colorful banners and numerous rubber chickens, and library participants dressed in construction garb to promote the 2017 Summer Reading Program theme: Build a better world. Thanks go out to Tom Bannen for the use of his truck and to Lisa Fisher of the Planning Office for printing the large banners with our Summer Reading Program logos (which are now displayed inside the library!).

Over the past months, we've seen upgrades and changes to the library website. Pages and have been consolidated, merged, or branched off, and the homepage has been updated with the library logo-- the slogan of which changes colors when moused-over!

Upcoming Events:

Library Closed – Tuesday, July 4th – Independence Day
 Author Talk-Marjorie Peronto and Reeser Manley, Wednesday, July 12th, 6pm (canceled by author)
 Scavenger Hunt – Thursday, July 6th 1-4pm
 Zen Coloring Group- Wednesday, July 5th, 6pm
 Creative Writing Club- Tuesday and Thursday, July 11th-27th, 1-3pm
NEW! Movie Discussion Group- Wednesday, July 19th 6-7pm
 Ice Cream Party- Wednesday, July 26th 1:30-2:30pm
 Prediction Party and Author Skype- Monday July 10th 2-3pm with MaryRose Wood
 Story Walk at Chaffin Pond- Wednesday, July 12th 11:30am-12:30pm
 Books and Babies-Tuesdays 10:15
 Preschool Story Time-Mondays 10:30am
 Letterboxing- daily- visit the Children's Room for more info
 Craft Day: Build a Sign Post- Wednesday, July 20th- 10:30-11:30
 Calm as Critter- Thursdays 10:15-10:45am
 Children's Chapter Book Discussion Group-Wednesdays, 4pm
 Movie Time for Adults-Monday, July 17th, at 1pm and 5pm (Passengers)
 Knitting Group- Knitters 'N More-Every Tuesday 1pm
 Book Group-Wednesday, July 26th, 6pm (Maine Humanities "Read ME")
 Tech Help Thursdays-Every Thursday 10:30am-11:30am
 Saturday Family Story Time- July 22nd and 29th

<u>Monthly Usage Statistics</u>	<u>June 2016</u>	<u>Other June 2017 Stats</u>
Attendance: 5,547	Attendance: 5,745	Book Group: 9
Windham items circulated: 8,286	Items circulated: 8,235	Coloring Group: 7
Items received from Minerva libraries: 654	Items received from Minerva libraries: 563	Tuesday Afternoon Knitting: 55
Windham items sent to other libraries: 802	Windham items sent to other libraries: 808	Author Talk: 12
New library patrons: 59	New patrons: 91	Library Tea: N/A
New items added to collection: 296	Items added: 508	Movie program, adults: 7
Special Requests: 9	Special requests: 7	Teen Scavenger Hunt participants: 9
Reference questions answered: 128	Reference ?'s: 193	Teen Event participation: 8
Computer sign-ins: 517	Computer sign-ins: 587	Tech Help: 7
Meeting room usage: 47	Meeting room usage: 52	Children's Author visit: 6
Download Library: 713 checkouts	MI Downloads used: 467	
Zinio: 50 checkouts	3M: 147 checkouts	<u>Story Time</u>
ComicsPlus: 62	Zinio: 30	Preschool Story Time— 7 sessions,
Items repaired: 37	Repaired items: 18	52 Adults, 81 Children
Volunteer hours logged: 52	Volunteer hours: 97.75	Books and Babies— 4 sessions,
		42 Adults, 50 Children
		Saturday Story Time— N/A
		<u>Pass usage</u>
		Children's Museum – 2 uses
		Dundee Park – 4 uses
		Maine State Park Pass – 5 uses/13
		days
		Maine Wildlife Park – 8 uses
		Planetarium – no use
		PASSES SAVED PATRONS \$396