



Windham Public Library Report April 2018



The big news this month was the completion of the renovation and our reopening to the public. The final week of the library closure for the renovation was extremely busy. Library staff members worked diligently to shelve the many items, boxed and stored while we were closed, and organize public spaces and offices. The carpet in the meeting room and on the elevator side of the second floor was installed and items moved back into those areas. The day of the reopening, April 9th, was an exciting one. Patrons arrived in droves to see all the changes. Library staff members were pleased to welcome everyone back and happy to hear all the positive feedback about the changes. A Grand Reopening celebration was held Thursday, April 12th. This was an opportunity to thank all those who worked hard to make the project a success and to show off the new spaces! The last few weeks of the month have been spent settling into our new routines and making sure patrons find their way around.

Junior Achievement for Joyce Whidden and Jenny Hopkins second grade classes was completed on April 3. The students participated in the “Our Community” program and received certificates at the end.

The 29th Reading Round Up was held at the Augusta Civic Center on April 26. The state announcements of the winners of the Maine Student Book Award, the Chickadee Award, the Lupine Awards, and the Katahdin awards were announced during the luncheon. This event brings together school and public library folks from around the state.

With the reopening of the renovated library story time schedules were resumed with plenty of room for all as the meeting room once again became available for programs.

As the library got back into its usual rhythm of daily business, Sally caught up the promoting of library programs by submitting 231 posts & emails throughout the month. As part of this responsibility she manages the library’s presence on the Town of Windham’s online calendar and the library’s Facebook page. As of the end of April, the library has 78 subscribers through the town calendar and 1026 likes on the Facebook page.

Upcoming Events:

Library Closed Saturday, May 26th-Monday, May 28th- Memorial Day weekend

Star Wars Day- Friday, May 4th 2:30-5:30

Library Tea- Tuesday, May 8th 1:30-2:30

Children's Chapter Book Discussion Group- Wednesday, May 16th 4-5pm

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, May 23 6pm

| <u>Monthly Usage Statistics</u> | <u>April 2017</u> | <u>Other April 2018 Stats</u> |
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| Attendance: 3,969 | Attendance: 4,251 | Book Group: 13 |
| Windham items circulated: 6,041 | Items circulated: 7,348 | Tuesday Afternoon Knitting: 48 |
| Items received from Minerva libraries: 743 | Items received from Minerva libraries: 637 | Author Talk: N/A |
| Windham items sent to other libraries: 437 | Windham items sent to other libraries: 743 | Library Tea: N/A |
| New library patrons: 43 | New patrons: 41 | Movie program, adults: 5 |
| New items added to collection: 273 | Items added: 319 | Teen Scavenger Hunt participants: 3 |
| Special Requests: 5 | Special requests: 5 | Teen Event participation: 5 |
| Reference questions answered: 130 | Reference ?'s: 80 | Tech Help: 4 |
| Computer sign-ins: 442 | Computer sign-ins: 640 | Chapter Book Discussion Group: 5 |
| Meeting room usage: N/A | Meeting room usage: 53 | |
| Download Library: 925 | Download Library: 752 | <u>Story Time</u> |
| Zinio: 38 | Zinio: 28 | Preschool Story Time— 6 sessions, |
| ComicsPlus: 52 | Comics Plus: 78 | 22 Adults, 34 Children |
| Universal Class Lessons Viewed: 28 | Repaired items: 43 | Books and Babies— 3 sessions, |
| Universal Class Videos Watched: 25 | Volunteer hours: 62.25 | 26 Adults, 31 Children |
| Items repaired: 27 | | |
| Volunteer hours logged: 26 | | <u>Pass usage</u> |
| | | Children's Museum – 6 uses |
| | | Dundee Park – closed for season |
| | | Maine State Park Pass – no uses |
| | | Maine Wildlife Park – closed for season |
| | | Planetarium – 0 |
| | | PASSES SAVED PATRONS \$204 |