# **Director's Activities:**

- 1. Working Goals:
  - a. Seeking vendor for Children's Room redesign
  - b. Meeting Room Projection project
  - c. Review of Appraisal Process; HR training for town employees
  - d. Revision of library card procedures as discussed at staff training 2/15

## 2. Scheduled Happenings:

- a. 2/18: Tech Class (OverDrive)
- b. 2/20: Tech Class (Digital Magazines)
- c. 2/22: Tech Class (Languages)
- d. VAC 2/22 2/26
- e. 3/1: Town Dept Head Meeting
- f. 3/3: Candidates & Warrant Night
- g. 3/7: Tech Class (LawDepot)
- h. 3/11: Strategic Influence Seminar (UNH)
- i. 3/11: Town Meeting

## Assistant Director:

Upcoming Events/Programs:

- **February Friday Film Series**: Every Friday in February people can bring brown bag lunch and enjoy movies set in beautiful, warm places. We serve coffee and cookies. Movies are: *Best Exotic Marigold Hotel, Under the Tuscan Sun, The Hundred-Foot Journey*, and *Eat, Pray, Love*
- Karen Craft Program: Stampin Up Valentine Cards, Tues. Feb. 2
- *Tech Class*: Lesley is teaching a Tech class on how to use Transparent Language, one of our online services, to learn a new language.
- *Museum Pass Displays*: We are trying to promote our museum passes, and Lucia made a beautiful display to highlight our Isabella Stewart Gardiner pass. She has agreed to continue doing displays of different museums throughout the year.
- Ongoing programs Writers Group, Knitting Class, Seekers book group

#### General notes on the state of the department.

We've hired a new shelver, Judy Fingerlow. She lives in Stratham and has used the library for years. So far it is all going well.

# Children's Room News:

Upcoming Events/Programs:

- Wednesday February 10 1:00PM-4:30PM **Drop in DIY for kids**: Looking for something fun to do on SMS early release day? The library is open. Drop in and enjoy some fun! For this afternoon drop in program the youth activity room will feature games, books, and crafts.
- February 22-26 Vacation Week Fun: During NH school vacation week we'll have something fun to do at the library everyday. Family Storytime on Monday and Thursday, drop in Lego building on Tuesday, Make a Difference Club on Wednesday, and Things that Fly day on Thursday.

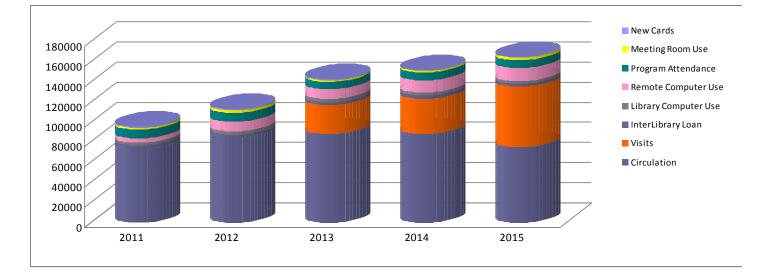
Ongoing programs: A hundred and seventeen kids attended Storytime and Babytime this month!

In January Sam did a program on catapults Kids learned about the science behind this simple machine. Then, they constructed their own catapults and forts out of materials you can find around the house. This program allowed a lot of time for kids and parents to play together. Several parents specifically thanked us for that. (cont)

Sara has done some updating of our page on the website and it looks great. She's also redesigned the bulletin board to feature our upcoming programs. And she is working on updating our board book collection. Sara had two great outreach visits at local preschools in which she provided storytime for fifty four kids.

We've had several great meetings about summer reading. We're excited about working with the Seth and the recreation department to install a storywalk in Stratham Hill Park. We're also looking forward to holding a giant game day.

### Teen Area News:



# **Statistical Notes:**

I am learning about some different tools to use to turn our data into visual stories about how the library is doing. I hope to be able to share what I learn (which I hope will be much more compelling than the above Excel graph) in director's reports over the next months.