Director's Activities:

- 1. Working Goals:
 - a. Children's Room redesign
 - b. Revamp tech classes
 - c. Review of Appraisal Process; HR training for town employees
 - d. Revision of library card procedures
 - e. Style Guide
- 2. Scheduled Happenings:
 - a. 4/22: Seacoast Co-op Meeting
 - b. 4/26: READS Roundtable: Publicity & marketing
 - c. 4/30: NHLA-ITS Unconference
 - d. 5/3: Town Dept Head Meeting
 - e. 5/11: Merri-Hill Rock Co-op meeting

Assistant Director:

<u>Upcoming Events/Programs</u>: This month our spring programming for adults really gets going and we have some exciting programs coming up:

- Library Book Sale & Bake Sale
- A Trip to South Africa, Tuesday April 5, 6 pm
- An Evening with Robert Frost, Tuesday April 12. 6
- A Garden for Wildlife, Tuesday April 19, 6 pm
- Coloring Program for Adults, Tuesday April 26. 5:30 pm
- Ongoing programs Writers Group, Knitting Class, Seekers book group

General notes on the state of the department. March was a huge month for adult programming. We had **321** people attend adult programs that month, including a hugely successful Candidate's Night, Karen's always popular Easter Egg program, an Everest program that Cindy Rivers and her husband sponsored, and Two Old Friends, that the Friends of the Library sponsored. April will be a busy month too between the programs and the book sale. We will also be having displays for Shakespeare's 400th birthday, as well as a Robert Frost display to accompany the Evening with Robert Frost program.

Children's Room News:

Upcoming Events/Programs:

- Make a Difference Club Friday April 22 4-5PM
- Booktrekkers: All about Mysteries Tuesday April 12 4-5PM
- Lego Club Wednesday April 20 4-5PM
- April Vacation Programs April 26th- 29th **Grow Beanstalks, Action Art, PJ Story Party, and Building Bonanza**

Lots of great programs took place in March. Storytime was well attended, with several new families joining in. Make a Difference Club hosted a water preservation day. And twenty one kids joined Leslie Blaney to celebrate spring by making bird's nest cookies.

We added some shelving and some seating to the graphic novel area in the front of the room and patrons have made great use of it already. Sara is continuing her work on reorganizing the children's music CDs. Sam coordinated with several Stratham Memorial School 2nd grade teachers to provide support for their fairy tale project. We added new fairy tale titles to our collection, created a book display, and ran a drop in fairy tale craft program to help kids and families prepare for this project.

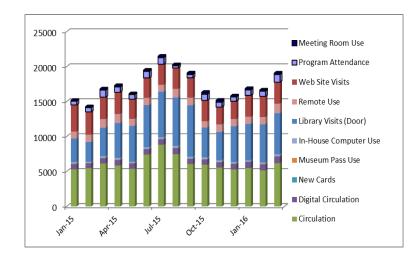




We attended both the CHILIS Spring conference and the NERTCL one day conference this month. The CHILIS conference focused on summer reading planning as well as early literacy promotion. The NERTCL conference was all about readers advisory. We are grateful to have had the opportunity to attend and came away from both with lots of ideas. We also hosted the Children's Librarians of the Seacoast meeting on summer reading.

Teen Area News:

Statistical Notes:



PLA: "Key Stats for Trustees"

2014 OEP Population Estimate: 7,297			
total expenditures per capita	Total	Non-Salary	
2016	\$ 58.02	\$ 13.42	
2015	\$ 55.82	\$ 12.50	
2014			
NH Avg '14	\$ 39.90	\$ 12.50	
Seacoast			
Population 5,000 - 10,000	\$ 43.22	\$ 12.67	

YTD Statistics March 2016

What is Up?

New Card Registrations	15%
Remote Use, Digital Circulation	12%, 21%
Museum Pass Use	34%
Total Program Attendance	21%
Children's Area Program Attendance	12%
Teen Area Program Attendance	73%
Adult Program Attendance	10%

What is Even?

Traditional Checkouts	-1%		
Traditional Circulation (Chkout+Renew)	1%		
In-House Computer Use	-1%		

Library visit	s per capita	Circulation per capita		Attendance/1K Serve	
2016		2016		2016	
2015	8.5	2015	8.8	2015	1153.3
2014	7.0	2014	9.0	2014	1171.5
NHAvg '14	4.9	NHAvg '14	6.8	NHAvg '14	635.1
Seacoast	6.3	Seacoast	9.1	Seacoast	901.2
Population	5.6	Population	7.7	Population	675.9