Director's Report

May 20, 2019

<u>Personnel</u>

- Elisabeth Strachan attended a Youth Advocacy workshop and brought back many helpful hints that was shared with the Professional staff
- Christina Dufour worked with the Middle School Librarian on several book events and attended a workshop held by Library Journal called a Day of Dialog
- Jada and I will be attending the State Aid (ARIS) workshop in June.
- Jada and Moira attended training provided by Town Hall on Creating Accessible Content on website/social media and newsletters.
- All Staff meeting on May 15th and Jada introduced the Intranet for staff use. The intranet will have available for staff the schedule, procedures and forms.
- Library Director attend the OCLN Directors retreat/Workshop on May 16th

Reference Department

• Moira and Priscilla have added a program called "Let's Get Technical! " (Please see flyer)

<u>Budget</u>

- Library appeared before the Ways and Means Committee on Monday, May 6th. Councilor Shannon Hume thanked the Trustees and Friends for their outreach and fundraising. (please see attachment)
- FY19 budget is on track with expenditures: Light 82.04%, Data Processing 92.95%, Library Materials 83.87%, Supplies 97.38%.
- Building repairs and Maintenance are at 55%.

Boston Bruins Blades Visit.

• Thayer Public Library has been selected to receive a 2019 Summer Reading Visit from the Boston Bruins Blades Mascot! Congratulation to Elisabeth Strachan who submitted an application on behalf of the library.

<u>Friends</u>

• Friends of Thayer Public Library are generously supporting the all ages Summer Reading programs and several Library Museum passes: The total sponsorship of the Museum passes is 1,786.00 The Library will promote the Friends sponsorship in the newsletter, online and brochures.

Town Collaboration

• The library and the Dept. Of Elder Affairs partnered on three programs this spring. Programs: Race to the South Pole Lecture, Geology presentation, Mother's Day performance.

Braintree Clean Up Day

• Member of the Braintree Rotary Club raked leaves out of the front garden to help the Friends of the Library Garden Club get ready for planting.

Summer Reading Programs performers list

- Children's Summer Reading Program Sign-ups Thurs June 20 all day long (last day of school, they have ½ day)
- Summer Reading Program Kick-off for all ages Outdoor Mon June 24 2:00- 5:00
- Sparky's Puppet Show ages 4 7 Thurs June 27 at 11:00
- Rolie Polie Guacamole children's concert for all ages, band from NY July 16 at 2:30
- Playful Engineers about forces, motion with hands-on use of supplies. ages 5 11 Mon. Aug 5 2:00 4:00
- Bruins' Blades and Bruins Ice Girls visit all ages poss Aug. 8 afternoon
- ScienceTellers/ Finale Alien show with experiments ages 5 11 Mon. Aug 19 at 1:30

<u>OCLN</u>

- Patrons are now able to sign up for automatic renewal through their OCLN account.
- OCLN retreat members discussed: Planned growth of the Network, E-content sharing, Local Holds and Service Committees.

<u>ADA</u>

- Microsoft Narrator Screen Reader installed on Computer #15 in Reference. Also installed a large type keyboard and trackball mouse.
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Collection Development

- Kerry is leading the development of a "Library of Things". Several items the library owns will be reorganized under Library of Things and new items will be added.
- Jada and the staff are still researching Kanopy and pricing
- Library is also working with OCLN to be part of the network pricing for NOVELIST

Schedule of Library Bills Payable

Warrant 4/17/19	\$6,358.73
Warrant 5/1/19	\$5,226.15
Warrant 5/8/19	\$ 3,347.70
Warrant 5/15/19	\$9328.09
Warrant 5/22/19	\$3,756.96