

Library Director's report

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Monthly statistics: please see attached statistical summaries for the month of August 2017.

Financial/Donations:

- **Re: the \$5000 Special Legislative Project grant that originated from Assemblywoman Carrie Woerner's office: our application/budget was approved, but we have run into some wrinkles related to the fact that the library does not have its own federal ID number. Apparently, our former director had listed the town's federal ID number on some paper work she had submitted. When the first check was due to be written, the state office responsible couldn't find the library in their system. I've talked with the Special Legislative Projects Coordinator (at the State Ed Dept.) and with a woman in Assemblywoman Carrie Woerner's office. We are attempting to get this all sorted out, and will likely run the check through SALS as the administering organization.**
- **The books from the Pilerow Foundation grant and our Friends have been processed and are being enjoyed by our patrons!**

News/Issues:

- **As was requested of me at our last meeting, I did contact Kay Tomasi about the Salem Area Women's Club file cabinets. They have since been removed.**
- **I have hired two new staff members. I believe they will be excellent additions. One is Marcy Armstrong, who will work Tuesday evenings and alternate Saturdays; the other is Carissa Bohley, who will work Thursday evenings and alternate Saturdays. Both women may fill in as needed, and both are planning library programs (which will add to their hours as well). They are starting in September, and will be training with me throughout the month.**

Programs:

- **Summer programs have all wrapped up, and we're brainstorming new programs for the fall.**
- **As mentioned previously, we have several adult programs planned to start in September. Tai Chi (offered by Washington County Public Health) will begin the week of September 11th. It will happen on Tuesday and Thursday mornings for eight weeks. Additionally, there will be two new tech ed workshops with Sarah McFadden of Cornell Cooperative Extension. One on the evening of Sept. 6 (Social Media 101) and the other on the evening of Sept. 20 (a workshop to learn how to use Word Press). There has been a great deal of interest in all of these programs.**
- **Our herbal study group is continuing on an every-other-week basis. Other ongoing groups/clubs are Book Club, Scrabble Club, Chess Club, Pokemon Club, and Lego Club.**

- **Additionally, we have an adult craft night coming up in October, which will be led by Sue Morrison.**