

Library Director's report

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

Financial/Donations:

- We received the Pilcrow Foundation grant (for children's books). The Friends have written the necessary check for the matching funds, and Karen and I are working on the book order form.
- We received the check from the Ezra Jack Keats Foundation grant (\$500) and plans are full steam ahead for Harry Potter camp.
- The Friends reported that they made over \$1000 from the Food, Plant, and Book sale on Memorial Day weekend.
- Kathy Chambers reported that she moved our funding from the town of Salem over into our accounts.

News/Issues:

- I hosted our local directors' meeting on May 4th. Directors from Schuylerville, Easton, and Greenwich were present. (The directors from Cambridge and Argyle were unable to make it.) We shared many different ideas, and we discussed the adult literacy program that the library system is working on.
- The requested changes were made to the Proudfit agreement.
- We finished weeding the children's area, and we've added our Dr. Seuss-themed decorations on the walls (HUGE thanks to Karen and her husband on the decoration/display project! Thanks to the Friends for the funding.)
- Notary public status: I passed my exam and have filled out my application/oath of office and returned it with the fee. I'm just waiting now for it all to be official.
- I need to modify our plan for the back courtyard. I still have plants started that I would like to plant there, but I'll need to find some sort of large container to do this project. Stacy Parker and I have decided to put our original thoughts on hold for this year, due to the fact that she is completely swamped with things to do right now. As a result, I'll follow through, in a modified fashion, on my own. I've already begun discussing this with the Friends.
- Rachael Armstrong has given me notice that after this summer, she will need to give up her working hours at the library. She plans to still volunteer as she is able, and plans to be involved with the Friends.
- Additionally, Peg Culver has given me notice that after this month, she will no longer be working her paid hours at the library. She still plans to be available for volunteer work.

Programs:

- Please see attached program flyers.