

TRUSTEES MEETING

TUESDAY, JUNE 17, 2014

REPORT PRESENTED BY MARGARET MORRISSEY, DIRECTOR

Technology

There were some issues with email during the month. I am looking at options for new computers and a network server.

Building/Capital Projects

An air leak in the fire detection system was repaired by Colby Fire system. When they looked at the system another item needing repair was identified and a proposal will follow. The proposal from Keltic Painting has been approved and work is expected to begin on the 2 sample 10' x 10' areas, in conjunction with working closely with Sherwin Williams who arranged the lab analysis. A proposal has been received from Alan DiPietro Masonry for re-pointing the Main Street façade.

Collections

Evaluation of the Mystery fiction section has been completed, and the paperback fiction will be the next section evaluated. The Reference section has been consolidated and one book case has been eliminated in the new configuration.

Children's Department

Betsy Vecchi started work on 6/4 and orientation and training continues in her position as Children's Librarian. Children's librarian and I have had the opportunity to visit some of the elementary schools: we presented to two first grade classes at Charlton Street School for career day, visited two Kindergarten Classes at Eastford Road School. The 1st grade class from Charlton Street School visited 5/29. The final arrangements are being made for Summer Reading . The program flyers have been distributed to the schools. Springfield Symphony Orchestra will present a program "Musical Petting Zoo" 6/24 at 3 pm, sponsored by the Borgatti trust.

Programs

Planning for summer reading is being finalized. Staff is working with the schools to provide multiple copies of the recommended books for the Middle High School students. The Adult Services Librarian has set up a You Tube channel for JEL concerts to be viewed and we are working with the Cable Access TV staff to upload material. The program *Gardening for a Lifetime*, sponsored by the Southbridge Cultural Council and the 100th JEL Celebration was well attended .

Media and Social Media

The Southbridge Evening News continues to promote the events in the paper. A few of the recent programs were taped by the Southbridge Cable TV and are being broadcast. There are 484 fans on Facebook. There are 1517 people signed up to receive the monthly eNewsletter.

Meetings/Outreach

I visited Family Health Center at their new facility. I attended the ARIS training offered by the MA Board of Library Commissioners on 6/9, at Worcester Public Library and the Urban Library Directors round table 5/30 at Worcester Public Library.

FOJEL

The 9th Annual Artful Friends exhibit is on display – patrons may purchase tickets at the Information Desk throughout the month, \$5 for 25 chances, the proceeds is used by the Friends to sponsor programs at JEL. At the request of FOJEL we are going to change around the location of the sale book carts on the lower level, in an attempt to promote the books and increase the sales. The Artful Friends concert on 6/5 featuring musicians Mark Mandiville and Rainne Richards was well received.

Gifts

A selection of end tables, plant stands and two items for the Garden Room have been donated by the estate of Florida Tarquinio.

Grants

Another grant was awarded by the Borgatti Trust through the Greater Worcester Community Foundation of \$1,000 for Children's Programs.

Research

I continue to work with a researcher to find information and an image of Maximilienne (Lienne) Tétrault – a French Canadian resident who was awarded a Ph.D from the Sorbonne in 1939.

Staffing

Student page Matt Mrazik has been accepted into the Massachusetts Math and Science Academy, part of WPI and will start there in the fall. Congratulations Matt!

Training

Adult Services Librarian attended group training for the new Town Hall website on Wednesday, 5/28 and attended a webinar on upcoming upgrades to the Envisionware software on Thursday, 5/29.

Trustees Appointments

I am working with the Town Manager's staff to have the JEL board appointments back on a 3-year cycle.

Volunteers/Tax Abatement

Gay Roberts has started as a tax abatement staffer, bringing the total to 6 personnel from this program.

Centennial Events

In the process of having the 100th footage recorded by the Southbridge Cable TV staff available on YouTube. Ashley has set up a channel dedicated for the library.

Digitization/Preservation

Digital Librarian from Worcester Public Library and I are participating in a program through the Digital Public Library of America (DPLA) and we reviewed the JEL collection this week for a future exhibit.

Mindy Ernst-Fournier allowed me to make a scan copy of a photograph of Le Voyage de Berluron from November 1928.

Month of June Exhibit	Artful Friends – group show Fundraiser for Friends of JEL	During Library Open Hours	Main Hall
Monday 23	Pajama Story Time	6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.	Children's Room
Monday 30	Vick and Sticks	6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.	Children's Room
Tuesday 17,24	Knitting with Sonya	10:30 a.m. – 12 noon	Reading Room
Tuesday 17	Board of Trustees	12 noon	Mills Room
Tuesday 17,24	Lego Club	3 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.	Craft Room
Wednesday 18,25	Crafty Wednesdays	All Day	Children's Room
Wednesday 18,25	Super Kids	10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.	Children's Room
Thursday 22,29	Lego Club	3 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.	Craft Room
Thursday 19	Jumpin' Juba*	6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.	Reading Room
Thursday 29	Pride in Southbridge – Dale LePage and James Dower 9 th Pride in Southbridge - The Burt Bacharach Songbook Show – JEL:100th	6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.	Reading Room
Friday 20, 27	Baby Time	10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.	Craft Room
Saturday 24	Lego Club (last Saturday open until September)	10:00 a.m. – 12:30 a.m.	Craft Room

Friday 20	Closed half day for Staff Development		
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Month of July Exhibit	Botanical Art in Summer with Susan Lozoraitis	During Library Open Hours	Main Hall
Monday 7	Abakaboom with Mike Bent*	6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.	Children’s Room
Monday 14	Storytelling and music with John Porcino*	6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.	Children’s Room
Monday 21	Mousetrap Science with Jungle Jim*	6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.	Children’s Room
Monday 21	Friends of Jacob Edwards Library	6 p.m.	Mills Room
Monday 28	American Poodles At Work#	6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.	Children’s Room
Tuesday 1,8,15,22,29	Knitting with Sonya	10:30 a.m. – 12 noon	Reading Room
Tuesday 1,8,15,22,29	Lego Club	3 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.	Craft Room
Tuesday 15	Board of Trustees	12 noon	Mills Room
Wednesday 2,9,16,23,30	Crafty Wednesdays	All Day	Children’s Room
Wednesday 2,9,16,23,30	Super Kids	10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.	Children’s Room
Thursday 10	Reception for artist Susan Lozoraitis with Cello Accompaniment	6:30 pm – 7:30 pm	Main Hall
Thursday 3,10,17,24,31	Lego Club	3 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.	Craft Room
Thursday 10	Library Box Office: <i>Tanta Agua</i>	6 p.m.	Pioppi Room
Thursday 10	Reception for artist Susan Lozoraitis	6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.	Main Hall
Thursday 17	Concert by CJMusic	6:30 pm – 7:30 pm	Reading Room
Thursday 26	Who’s Tracking You Online with Greg Page JEL:100th	6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.	Reading Room
Friday 11,18,25	Baby Time	10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.	Craft Room
Friday July 4	The library will be closed in honor of Independence Day		

*Cultural Council

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