Library Director's Report October 2017

## **Building and Grounds**

Work on the Children's Garden is mostly complete. I conducted a final walkthrough on Friday, October 20. The vast majority of the work is done and correct. There are a few issues outstanding: there are a couple of plants that are missing, the custom benches were not built to the correct dimensions, the mural wall also has some dimension issues. The contractor is working on proposing some solutions. The stone wall is also being repointed in a separate project.

The sculpture should be installed a week or two before Thanksgiving.

## **Conferences**

October is conference season in Maine. At the beginning of the month, Rachel Davis, Jenny Vezina, Alyssa Lapierre and I went to the Maine Library Association Conference. Thanks to the Library Foundation for the funding to allow Rachel, Jenny, and Alyssa to attend. It was an excellent conference. All of us got a lot of useful information from it.

I will be at the New England Library Association Conference Sunday the 22 to Tuesday the 24. I'm looking forward to gaining a lot at this conference as well.