

Library Director's Report

October 2018

Building Updates

The TMLF approved the funding request for the new display unit at their Sept 27 meeting. I hope to have the funds from them soon so I can make the deposit payment and work can begin on the unit.

Earlier this year one of our long time patrons, Dorothy Stack, passed away. I'm currently working with some of her family who have an interest in adding something special to the library in her memory. They decided to select display shelves to mount on the end caps of the adult fiction and non-fiction shelves. This will allow us to display more non-new items face out, increasing interest and circulation.

Gallery Policy

There were some unexpected challenges with the October exhibit. In order to prevent this from occurring again in the future, I have revised the Gallery Policy and other Gallery related documents. Big thanks to Gwyneth for helping work through the challenges and for looking over the document revisions. The approval of the Gallery Policy revisions is later on the agenda.

Staff Development

Thanks to funding from the TMLF we are able to send several six staff members to the Maine Library Association Conference and one to the New England Library Association Conference in this month. The Maine Conference has already taken place. The attendees have all returned with lots of great ideas and information on the sessions. The New England Conference takes place next week.

I have spoken with Matt about the possibility of bringing in a third party to help with some staff development and workplace culture improvement exercises/discussions. He was in favor of this and I will be reaching out to some groups that he suggested.