

Holmes Public Library  
Director's Report  
June 12, 2018

Happy June!

Welcome to Susan Davey and Pat Michaels to your first official Trustee Meeting. I look forward to working with both of you.

A few patrons have voiced their concern over the broken/missing baby changing station in the ladies' restroom. Former Trustee and faithful library patron Priscilla Murphy unsuccessfully tried to find funding to replace the table. She asked Town Administrator, Charlie Seelig to approach the Finance Committee for a reserve fund transfer. I will keep the Board updated on the situation.

The Friends of the Library held their Annual Book and Bake Sale on Saturday June 2, 2018. The Book and Bake Sale was tremendously successful. Thanks to a substantial amount of donations and the hard work of many Friends the grand total for Saturday alone was \$1345.00. This was a combination of Adult books, Children's books, bake sale, merchandise, and memberships. The book sale continued in the community room through Thursday of the following week. Sales for that week reached over \$400.00. To my recollection this book sale has made the most money for the Friends.

Technology Coordinator Marie Coady and Children's Librarian Stacey Beshers are getting ready for our Summer Reading Program. Marie will be responsible for all publicity. Stacey will be responsible for the implementation of all programs. The theme for the 2018 Summer Reading program is "Libraries Rock!". Programs will be centered on music and movement. The Friends of the Library have approved \$1,125 to sponsor the Summer Reading Program. These funds will sponsor the performers, program supplies, refreshments and a volunteer pizza party. Please refer to our Summer Reading 2018 Sneak Peek flyer available at the front desk for a list of weekly programs, Monday Night Madness Events, and special programs. Thank You to Marie Coady for sharing your wisdom about Summer Reading and Thank You to Stacey for always giving 100% effort.

On Monday, June 18, 2018 Reference Librarian Joanne Harris will facilitate a Genealogy Presentation, The History of Me. Members of the Holmes Public Library Genealogy Group will share some of their methods and findings as they searched for their ancestors. Members of the group will also answer questions. There will be an introduction to the resources available at the library.

June 16<sup>th</sup> will be our last Saturday opened. We will reopen on Saturday after Labor Day. Our first Saturday opened will be September 8<sup>th</sup>. Summer Hours are Mondays and Wednesdays 10AM-8PM, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 10AM-5PM.

Circulation on print materials and other materials checked out from the library seems to be holding steady if not a little low. 2911 items were checked out of the library in May. Circulation on ebooks and eaudio books is steadily increasing. In May 279 ebooks and 159 eaudio books were checked out from the Overdrive collection. On average 5 new patrons register to use the Overdrive collection.

Respectfully Submitted,

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