

**Holmes Public Library**  
**Director's Report**  
**May 3, 2016**

How did it get so late so soon? Its night before its afternoon. December is here before its June. My goodness how the time has flewn. How did it get so late so soon?

Dr. Seuss

Time flies when you're having fun and things are certainly good at the Holmes Public Library. The June calendar is still in the making but there are some scheduled events that are noteworthy.

**Friends of the Library Book Sale** is Saturday June 4<sup>th</sup> from 10AM to 1PM. The Library is currently taking donations of used books. The books will remain in the community room for the entire following week to encourage shopping and hopefully bring in additional funds.

**Countdown to Kindergarten** is Wednesday June 8<sup>th</sup> from 10:30AM to 11:30AM. This is a collaborative event with Halifax Elementary School. Children entering kindergarten in the Fall of 2016 are invited to come to the Library for a private Storytime and meet our wonderful Children's Librarian. The children are given a tour of the library and encouraged to get library cards. Each child will be given a brightly colored pencil as a token of our appreciation for the visit.

**Local History program** is Saturday June 18<sup>th</sup> from 11AM to 1PM. Harry H. Brown was a local Historian who was born in 1907 and lived to be 102 years old. Harry wrote many books about Halifax and donated copies to the Library. His son Stephen Brown, a local resident, will give a program discussing his late fathers' last book. The book is entitled "Stories of Yesteryear Horse & Buggy Days". In accordance is Community Policy he will have copies of this book for sale the day of the program. Stephen has donated 4 copies to the Library for our collection.

**Summer Reading Kick Off Event** is Friday June 24<sup>th</sup> at 11AM. This program kicks off our Summer Reading Calendar for the children. We have a Magician book. On this day children can pick up their summer reading bags and sign up for programs. The Friends of the Holmes Public Library have generously donated \$965 for our Summer Reading Program. This covers the cost of performers and a sum for snacks and supplies.

In other news, in response to feedback from our Survey the Library will be open Saturdays in June our regular hours 10AM to 2PM. Normally our last Saturday opened is the first Saturday in June. After a discussion with the Saturday staff it was decided to continue to stay open on a trial basis. Marie Coady and I will be attending an ARIS workshop on June 6<sup>th</sup> to be held at the Middleborough Library. This workshop is given each year to keep participants informed on Aris reporting.

Respectfully Submitted,