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## Librarian's Report November 2015

First off, Pete continues to work on the basement remodeling. He has the drop ceiling finished and made a shelf where the emergency stairs were. It was a hard job with all the pipes on the ceiling. He has put a new top on the sink and added a door to where the hot water tank is. We are looking forward to the carpeting men coming soon. Everyone will be glad when the room is usable once again.

Pete, with the help of the Fire Dept., has put 16 sheets of plywood in the attic to make a cat walk for the men who will be blowing in insulation. It should make a big difference in the library heating and electric bills in the future.

On November 2<sup>nd</sup> we held a paper crafting night to make Thanksgiving cards and crafts. A disappointing turnout, only four adults and one child attended. They had a good time making cards and place cards with stamps, stickers and punches. The little girl who attended was making cards for everyone she knew. Lynn and I will be having a gift tag workshop at the Open House on December 12<sup>th</sup> along with the other crafts we have for kids to do. Last year a dad stayed for several hours with his kids and made cards and gift tags for his family. Please stop by, enjoy a treat or two.

Our sign is working for some programs, Paula Nadeau held a Thanksgiving bedtime story hour on Tuesday, November 10<sup>th</sup> and had seven adults and thirteen children attend the program. The kids all squeezed into the Maggie Taylor Reading room where Paula read several stories about Thanksgiving turkeys. They then came out to the tables in the children's room and put together their own turkey to take home. This is getting to be a popular nighttime program with parents and children alike. Our next Bedtime Story Hour is December 7<sup>th</sup>.

Our Wednesday story hour is also doing well, with an average of ten to fifteen children attending weekly. Heidi has begun to take the tables down each week in the children's room and put out the chairs where the tables were as there are too many people to fit into the Maggie Taylor Reading room. The parents help put the tables back up for craft time. It is another reason we are looking forward to the basement being finished.

Dave Lowe installed a flat screen TV above the children's room check out desk which will have many uses. He also put in a DVD player. Brigit had asked about a TV for a literature series she is planning on doing in the spring, also Kellie can use it for Minecraft night and we can use it for other programs and workshops.

We started a Knitting Group on Monday, December 7<sup>th</sup> from 6- 8 pm taught by Adrienne Kehoe of Waterboro. We had eighteen adults and one child attended the class. A lot of laughs, a lot of chatting, a good time was had by all. Crowded around the table, looking forward to moving to the meeting room downstairs. The TV was used to watch knitting instructions on UTube. Thanks, Dave!

I have a parent interested in reviving the Children's Board Game nights he did several years ago. We are looking to start that up in January. He will be sending me information on what night, what age group etc. soon so we can begin advertising .

Another patron wants to help with a LEGO Club and has LEGO's to donate to the library. We will try to get that organized for January also. We received a HUGE bag of LEGO's from Melinda Morin which we will add to the ones Kellie gave us. I will have some of the kids sort them out in December to see what we may need to fill in.

I am looking for snacks and Cider for our Open House, if you can help with something, please let me know. One patron is making peppermint bark, a favorite with everyone last year. I am also looking for candy or graham crackers for the gingerbread houses. I will be making the houses if I get enough supplies to make them by the end of the week. Right now it doesn't look good. Many thanks to Carol for doing most of the decorating in the library.

Respectfully submitted,

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