

Director's Report: March 18, 2009

Programming:

Teas will continue Saturday the 28th, please come! Classical guitarist with Jeremy Minger.
Author Reading: Martha A. Sandweiss author of Passing Strange.

On the same page programming:

Kestrel trust: about 10 people but a great talk! Kristen is a very good speaker.
Backyard Chickens: about 35 Meg is great!

Side Hill Farm: "Garden Planning" for 2008" rescheduled to September
Dave Jackie, author: "Edible Forest Landscapes" Dates still up in the air possibly June
Eric Hoffner: "That Log's Got Potential" April 16th
Dr. Dindal, compost May 5th

Art

Patrick Zephyr: Photo Exhibit now in community room. Nice work, 50% of sales to library.
Candice Bradbury-Carlin, mixed media April. She's putting a lot of work into this!
Dr Dindal, art of Dr. Daniel Dindal May.

Grants: All grant money must be spent by August

Equal Access \$3000 we've spent about \$1200 on Kindles & about \$400 on concerts
On The Same Page Grant \$7500 of this we've spent about \$2000 on books and speakers
Gates Grant-matching fund letter submitted. Funds coming shortly, possibly in June
Highland Valley Elder Care \$1500 awarded. We will use this to purchase a "VISA gift card for books cooperatively with Forbes.

New Grant Applied for: \$7500 for early childhood literacy from ages 0-8

Energy Committee

Ambitious \$40,000+ warrant item for energy improvements for the building submitted.

Staff

Due to other commitments Barbara Cooper will not be continuing with us after April 19th, when Children's story hour ends. Barb only worked a couple of staff hours per week but filling her Saturdays will be difficult. However, we are looking at moving Story Hour to Sundays now which I think will be more popular with both parents and children.

Shifting: Anne McNeal completed a survey of the library and we can begin shifting at any time. I am now looking into getting the computers moved and have talked to Rick about this.

Money: At this time, after this warrant and the payroll submitted on March 17th there is a total of \$4868 in town money left for all purposes. We also received our second payment of about \$1900 for state aid. Projecting forward we have about \$8400 left in payroll for this year leaving a deficit of about \$1600 to be paid from the trust for salaries.

Expect about \$3000 in additional funds from the friends. To break even for the year we would have to reduce spending to less than \$500/warrant. This is mainly due to ambitious donation income projections carried over into this fiscal year's budget.