

Director's Report: December 16, 2009



Programming:

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| • Tea: | (2) Sword Dancing, bell ringing – Solstice | Dec. 19 |
| • Carbon Watch: | MMA Energy Audit | Canceled again! |
| | Low Carbon Diet | Following 3 rd Thursdays |
| • Monet Painting | Workshop | Wow! Great! |
| • Roget Ticknell | Children's Music Hour | May take this over! |
| • Local Author | Slavery Talk | January 21 |
| • Yoga Series | Six weeks | Jan/Feb |
| • Mann | 1491 | January, 28 |
| • Klippenstein | Garden Workshop | February? |
| • Legislative Breakfast | Stan Rosenberg | February, 19? |

Grants:

- Applied for \$800 for children's music hour.
- Possible stimulus money for energy improvements.
- Received \$1000 for Kindles.

KOHA: Six months to implementation, sooner than you think! Quite excited about this! Hooray!

Shifting: Formal request put through proper channels for wireless ARPS internet. No reply yet.

Large Print: We're receiving 100 large print books for the collection; these are being weeded by WMRLS. They are in good shape, popular authors and books are free.

Correspondence: Pelham ranked 153 / 9000+ libraries in the United States! People shocked and awed. I had a long interview with the Republic today and a nice little article in the Gazette.

Money: Numbers are from Edna today, may run slightly behind. I remain cautious about spending money as I think there may be a reduction in state aid. See below in volunteers regarding this warrant.

Children's Fund: Around \$3000+ Edna was not able to supply an exact number. This exceeds 1 year of funding from the school, all tolled I expect around \$4000 by the time the appeal ends.

Two year magazine renewal: Most renew in April and May of 2010. We will begin sending renewals now.

Staff: Everybody seems happy! No meetings until after the holidays.

Volunteers: December has been a tough for volunteers, shelvees canceling, many “floaters” unavailable. None the less, we soldier on. Happi Cramer has been in Bermuda (!) since the last Trustee’s meeting. So, there will likely be a half *catch up* warrant with a few things between this and the next meeting.

Director: Collection Development: Working from Forbes Library for a few hours a week is a smart choice! With many resources and few interruptions I can really get things done!

After School: Should the four computers be reserved for after school? Adults and non after school kids can confuse and spread out the kids across the library.