

Pelham Library Director's Report: Jan '10

General Administration

- New Stationary: Amy Wasserman logo and Gary King layout. Minor revisions to follow.
- New extra large calendar and more bulletin board space. This is now the master library calendar.
- Circulation numbers are up, and more importantly, very consistent. Trend continues well back into the fall.
- Please see warrant.
- My new job: Massachusetts Rider Education Coach. This will put me off teas for the months of February and March. Teas are arranged, but others will have to host. It should not effect Saturdays beyond this and will never effect weekdays. Pays better than Pelham hourly and is a great opportunity in this economy. Essentially, it is a teaching position.
- KOHA ongoing funding for the MassCat program is in jeopardy. All may have been for naught.
- Mostly correct numbers would indicate we have spent about 40% of discretionary budget. Likely surplus of around \$2000 (again) in Staff.

Staff & Volunteers

- Ann McNeal has expressed interest in “running” the galley. We can only hope.
- Jodi Levine may start assuming more of a Youth Services Librarian role. With Adin moving onto the YA category and the future of the school funding uncertain it seems wise to bring some of this function in house. Jodi is also enthusiastic and, I think, a long term asset. I am encouraging her to get training from WMRLS
- Ashley continues to be outstanding.
- Sally seems content.
- Staff meeting in Feb.
- Happi to begin ordering magazines for 2010-11

Systems & Facilities

- Hopefully we will be getting an instant hot water system for the community room. Thank to those that have persevered. Funds from Friends.
- Both doors still falling apart. Do we have a plan for this? Warrant item for 2011?
- WiFi upgrade. I have a parts list from ARPS, time to start buying things.
- LCD television now works with laptops!
- Copier/fax replaced under warranty. Comes with NEW three year warranty.

Programs & Events

- Six weeks of Yoga, ongoing through Feb. Registration is now closed.
- Bob Romer talk, tomorrow. Slavery in PV.
- Chas. Mann talk next Thurs. 1491: World before Columbus.
- Mushroom log thing again for next spring.
- Hopefully, Amy Klippenstein garden talk for spring.
- Library Legislative breakfast, proceeding well. \
- Story hour soldiers on.
- Carbon Watch to present Bick Corsa on Tuesday, January 26. Winner Zero Energy Home Challenge.