

**Librarian's Report
Freedom Public Library
October 18, 2016**

The call for pumpkins and candy has been answered and more keep coming in. We are having a pumpkin-carving event on Friday October 21. This is the afterschool activity preceding Pizza & Movie, but it is open to the community and I hope people come. I have three volunteers signed up to help that day. My plan is for the jack-'o-lanterns to be lit on Halloween night outside the library if it's not too windy or rainy. Judy Johnson is coming to help hand out candy that night and Joel will be taking the photos while I'll serve as photo assistant.

On Sunday, October 23 at 4:00 we are showing the movie "The Finest Hours" as part of One Book One Valley. This is on the 1B1V calendar of events so perhaps people from outside the community will attend.

On Tuesday, October 25 at 7:00, the Friends are hosting a workshop on fermentation at the library. It is nice to mix it up and offer classes in addition to lectures.

Chris has made some changes to the Prolific Author section downstairs, moving some authors back to the general fiction area upstairs and some have been moved downstairs. They all have been relabeled with "Prolific" in the call number which will help with proper shelving. He has weeded the Young Adult section and is beginning a project to move the fantasy downstairs with the science fiction, merging the collections with the call number "SF/FAN." This will free up additional space upstairs to relieve over crowding.

I purchased a Cricut Explore and some accessories with the printer table proceeds. This is a machine that will cut shapes and designs which will be useful for craft prep and displays. I hope to also add it to our collection of equipment that can be loaned out.

The additional sprinkler head has been installed at the request of the Mountain Garden Club and they have been billed for the service. I spoke with Matt Welch about getting up leaves halfway through the fall and then doing a final cleanup when they are all down, not leaving it all to the end. He said he would tend to the grounds before Halloween. I spoke to Winston Morrow about clearing the leaves from the gutters before winter and he is on board with that. The library's carpets got a much-needed cleaning this past weekend and they look great.

We have been busy with class visits from the school. The preschool has started coming with their nine students, all boys! This adds a considerable amount of prep work but is a lot of fun, too.

I am attending a workshop on how to use the State Library's 3D printer on November 15 at Cook Memorial Library in Tamworth. They intend to loan it out and attending this workshop is required to borrow it. I am also going to the Children's Librarians of NH fall conference in Laconia on October 27.

Sincerely,

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