

Hopkinton Town Library
REPORT FROM LIBRARY DIRECTOR

May 14, 2023

Library Staff: Jenny completed her MLIS! She received all As this last semester (five classes). She attended the CLNH Spring 2024 conference today. We are having a staff meeting on 5/17. Sarah will be attending a webinar about providing materials and services to people with print disabilities. Goal Two 1c.

Finance: We are 41.67% through the year and have used 30.27% of our budget. We requested the interest income on the library-dedicated funds managed by the Trustees of Trust Funds and should receive cheques in the coming weeks. Goal One 2bandc and Goal Two 1b.

Library Services: Circulation was up 16% in April compared to 2023. We added 33 new card holders and library visits were up 20%. Study room usage continues to increase. Some days the study rooms turn over multiple times and often after school they are both being used and someone is looking to use one.

The library's last Sunday until September is 5/19 and we will be closed Saturday, 5/25 for Memorial Day weekend. Goal One 1a 4a, Goal Two 2a-e.

Programs. We had 23 programs in April and 4 so far in May. Some highlights include:

Date	Program	# of Attendees
4/19/24	Puzzle and Craft Swap	53
4/19/24	Gallery Reception – Ruth Chevon	30
4/28/24	Hopkinton Poetry Festival	47
5/07/24	Open Mic Night, cohosted with the Contookuleles	27

Coming up we have:

Date	Program
5/15 @ 1pm	Book Discussion Group (<i>Symphony of Secrets</i> by Brendan Slocumb)
5/15 @ 4pm	Snacks and Crafts (tween/teens)
5/17 @ 10:30am	Art Start
5/28 @ 4pm	Book Club on the Porch (tween/teens)
6/1-6/7	Book Sale Donation Days
6/08	Book Sale

Jenny is finalizing the programming calendar for Summer Reading and we're already beginning to book programs for the fall. Sarah is working on a teen/adult Summer Reading Challenge.

Goal One 4a&b

Building: JP Pest treated for ants in the Community Room after a patron reported seeing them. We had to replace the doorknob from the porch into the kitchen. Goal Two 2a and e.

Community Connections: The Hopkinton School District Celebration of the Arts will be at, and around, the library on May 22nd (weather permitting) beginning at 4:30pm. Mrs. Emerson has already hung artwork on the StoryWalk®. The art gallery will have pieces from the HSMS, as will the Community Room. A stage will be built by the barn for performances. Hopkinton Police Department was consulted and has a plan for maximizing parking while maintaining safety.

We were asked to host the community portion of the Artist in Residence for Harold Martin and Maple Street Schools again next school year after the success we had this year. This is planned for late September.

Respectfully submitted, Rose Jansen