

Royalton Memorial Library
January 2, 2019, Minutes
4:30 - 6:30 p.m.

Members present: Louise Clark, Yulia Ballou, Bonnie Kenyon, Treasurer John Dumville, Cynthia Dalrymple, President, Theresa Manning, Sect'y, Marianne Pysarchyk, Pam Levesseur, Phoebe Roda, Vice President, absent.

Minutes from the December meeting were approved with a motion by Louise Clark and seconded by Bonnie Kenyon, all were in favor.

Librarians report:

The annual appeal is going well, have surpassed our \$5000 goal for new books, dvds, audiobooks and magazines.

Local artist, Sue Lenfest, will be exhibiting her art work of oils and pastels paintings and pencil and charcoal drawings at the library through the end of February.

Marianne will contact Gaylynn H. art teacher at school to confirm student artwork on display for the Month of March.

The second annual Cabin Fever Reading Challenge will begin January, 15th and conclude March 15th (the same as last year). Hope to increase the number of patrons to the library as well as circulation statistics. For each book read or listened to the reader fills out a ticket, gift certificates to local businesses will be raffled off. So far we have gift certificates from Village Pizza and confirmation of donation from Chelsea Station. Marianne plans to follow up with the other businesses as she emailed them two weeks before the holidays--a friendly nudge to donate. Will also plan to walk-in to several businesses and ask as well. This reading challenge is for Teens (Freshman in HS and up) and adults.

LEGO Club starts back up on the third Saturday of the month at 1 p.m.

Tyler has confirmed a date and time for his film series: Cult Classic film series starts on Sunday, Feb 10 (as not to interfere with the Super Bowl scheduled for Sunday, Feb. 3) and library doors to open at 5:30 pm. It will be free and open to the public. The movies will be rated PG-13 and R.

Marianne is waiting for the Oscar Best Picture Nominees list to be announced at the end of Jan. As soon as the list is announced a schedule will be set up with tentative plans to start showing the films in Mid-March on Thursdays at 7pm.

Take Your Child to the Library Day is scheduled for Saturday, Feb. 2 Emailed Ms. Paula about a special storytime for either 10am or 11am on that day. This program was started in CT by several librarians to encourage

parents/caregivers of young children to explore the library and what it offers. My goal is to see new faces, issue library cards or renew old ones, and welcome anyone who attends. Some libraries go all out with big events such as meet children authors and tons of activities to engage children and others are more low key and passive programming.

Marianne has emailed prospects for possible future programs: Jessica Kowal Keene (Ukrainian Egg Dyeing, Pysanky) for first Saturday in April, Gisele for French Conversation in the Spring, Tyler and Marianne--Fictional Foods Series and/or Dinner and a movie at Chelsea Station--Spring/Summer for all ages (still in conversation).

Annual Appeal Letters are being worked on and mailed out in small batches--plan to do half a dozen to a dozen "Thank You" letters per day.

Chris D. will be out on vacation Jan 15. & Jan. 16. Her shifts will be covered Marianne and Tyler.

Royalton Memorial will have a high school volunteer (D.A) to will be helping at the library for the winter. She will need to complete about 15-20 hours. She will start Friday, Jan. 4th from 4-6pm.

Pam Levesseur will send a template of letterhead to Cynthia Dalrymple for use in correspondence. Postage has increased to \$.55 cents per letter.

Profit and Loss Statement were passed to board members. Discussion ensued.

Discussion of the meeting on January 8th with the selectboard. Cynthia Dalrymple explained about the visit to Montpelier to talk about the grants.

Dan Richardson is working the Memorandum of Understanding to be presented to selectboard.

Rest Area: Bonnie will call Louise to see what is available for the year. Bonnie will also follow up with Mandy Giles to inquire about the review.

Book Sales, Cynthia Dalrymple, suggested one or two big books sales rather than a constant book sale at the library.

Meeting adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Theresa Manning