

## **Library Town Report - 2015**

The Board of Trustees meet the first Tuesday of each month at 4 pm at the Concord Public Library. All are welcome to attend. Three new trustees were appointed in August. They are; Sharon Payeur, Mary Gochie and Paula Christopher. Our new library assistant is Beth Cliché. We also have a new facebook page where we include pictures, new book titles and authors, any change in hours or meetings times, activities, and whatever news about the library we have to share throughout the year.

We were invited to the Concord School Library to hear a local Vermont author, Beth Kanell, speak with students about the books she has written and the history surrounding the story line for her books. We purchased a couple of her books to add to our collection of books written by Vermont authors.

We held an open house on Memorial Day in conjunction with our local town observance. Reference books were displayed with a roster of local citizens who served our country, beginning with the War of 1812, through the Civil War, the two World Wars, Korea and Vietnam.

The Summer Reading Program, "Our Local Heroes" was part of the national theme this year. Our local fire/rescue department, sheriffs' department, military personnel, and healthcare services were all involved in talking to children about their individual duties and responsibilities on the job. Local people involved were: Richard Fisher and Bruce Quimby from the fire department, Sheriff Trevor Colby, Deputy Gilbert Rainault, Charlie Wilson from the military, and nurse Tina Wilson. Children attending received fire hats and books about heroes. The reading program began June 24 and continued into the summer.

The Summer School Program held in Concord, with both Concord and Waterford students attending, came to the library every Monday in three groups to read, do projects, and check books out during July and August. This is the sixth year that the Concord Public Library has participated in this program.

James Frase-White has loaned the library a framed print titled, "Reading Reveals Surprises" by Calvin Nichol. Mr. White also created a new bookmark available to library patrons.

We held a raffle at the Concord Historical Open House in September. Two books were given to the winners (one adult, one child). The books were "Northern Borders" by Howard Frank Moshier, and "Homer the Library Cat" by Reeve Lindbergh. We also displayed logging books in the library during this week end as one hundred years of logging history was the theme.

In December, we hosted a party for children. They made ornaments, decorated cookies, had a scavenger hunt as well as refreshments. Gift certificates to a bookstore were awarded as prizes.

Lastly, we would remind people that we have free Wi-Fi available to the public as well as an in-house computer.

**Library Hours**  
**Tuesday and Thursday, 4-6 pm**  
**Saturday, 9-11 am**

All our events are posted on the sandwich board outside the library, on Facebook, Bernie's Market, Alpine Valley, Mooselook Restaurant, Concord and North Concord Post Offices, the Municipal Office and the Town Clerk's Office. Please watch for special events!