

March 2023 BNML Librarian's Report

Building & Technology

- Electrical Upgrade and Repairs: Joel Snyder from JFS Electric has agreed to do the project and I'm waiting for an estimate.
- Sidewalk: Discussion on agenda
- Lawn Care: Gochey's estimate was only \$30 more than 2022 for basic services \$1350. We paid \$1785 last year for all services and budgeted \$2000 this year. We can ask him for 7 more hours of work (@\$30/hour) to stay within budget.

Grants/Funding

- The VTDOL Summer Reading grant application is complete. Will provide \$300 towards a program by VINS during the Summer Reading Program.

Programming

- February programs included a collaboration with the Neighborhood Forest to give away free trees to kids, Homeschool First Friday, 4 Storytimes, Saturday playgroup, Photography Club, an afterschool series three Tuesdays in a row in conjunction with Northwest Access TV to teach videography to 7th and 8th graders, an adult cooking class with Linda Hodet and Kelly Leroux, and a school vacation reading raffle.
- Upcoming in April (incomplete list):
 - Wellness Day
 - The Community Art Project with an Art Show Reception
 - Photography Club
 - Homeschool First Friday
 - Story Hour every Wednesday
 - SaturPlay
 - Farm to School grant book discussion
 - A special Beekeepers event
 - Another school vacation reading raffle
 - Book delivery and baby package prep

Other

- Wendy was out with illness for two weeks
- Working on omnibus VTDOL Annual Report, due 3/24
- There's a trustee webinar on 3/23. Ask Sarah for a link.
- I sent a thank you note to the Friends for the \$5000
- Still working through Baker & Taylor remaining invoice and credit issues from 2021
- Discovered an old email address that used to be used for the library when K. Hughes was Director. Over 13,000 unread messages, some pertinent. There is a Google Drive associated with it.
- The donation button on the website now directs donations to our municipal account.