Librarian’s Report

December 9, 2013

**Programs**

Christmas Crafts: Friday, 12/13, 3pm

Friends Cookie Buffet: 12/13, 3-6pm & 12/14, 8-12pm at the Masonic Hall

Third Monday Book Group: 1/27 (Library is closed the 3rd Monday in January for Civil Rights Day.) The Book Group 2014 Reads list is now available. Our group will have 2 authors join us in 2014 – Katrina Kenison & Leslie Morgan Steiner. Starting in January, the book group will only once in the morning at 10am since everyone comes at that time anyway. There will be no 4pm group. Our January book will be **“*The Princess Bride” by, William Goldman***

Christmas Wish List: So far our patrons have purchased a total of 28 items from our Christmas Wish List, totaling $452.81. A variety of items have been purchased including, DVDs, Children’s books, YA books, Adult books and puppets for story time.

Knitting Club: The Knitting Club, organized by Gail Carey, met for the first time on December 5th at 6pm with 8 people attending. They had a great time and will continue to meet at the library on Thursday evenings from 6-8pm.

**Friends**

* Anne Milender made a donation to the Friends in the amount of $500 for the purchase of a 3-Tier Serving Cart that the Library can use when serving refreshments at programs.
* Judy Willson has agreed to stay on as President of the Friends for another year with help from the group

**Staff**

* On 11/26 a patron was removed from the library and asked by the Police not to return. This patron had been making all of the staff feel uncomfortable and nervous and when it was verified that they did have previous arrests in the area, the Police recommended that we ask him not to return.
* The Select Board made two amendments to the Town’s health insurance contract:

Our insurance plan now allows coverage for domestic partners and part-time employees 32 hours and above.  However this benefit is provided as access only to health insurance and the Town will not cover any portion of the partner or part-time employee’s health insurance.  They will be responsible for 100% of the cost.

* SW will be using a few personal days at the end of December: 12/27-12/30

**Odds & Ends**

* Request to close the library on New Year’s Eve as we do not normally open until 1pm that day. The library will be closed on New Year’s Day.
* The library will be closed on Monday, January 20th for Civil Rights Day.