

October 2019 Librarian's Report Bradford Public Library

Administrative:

10/23 Gail to attend the Public Library Director Summit at the State House covering a range of topics relevant to library leadership.

Technology:

12 new to BPL Mac computers have arrived from BES. Three have been switched out. Remaining machines are stored up in the Turret/Conference Room.

Professional Development:

10/11 Gail- to attend the Red Clover Conference and workshops focused on using the 2019-2020 Red Clover nominees with K-4 students, as well as a keynote address by author Minh Le, a book signing, and a chance to review new materials.

10/17, 29 Betsy to attend Administration Parts I, II, as required to fulfill the Administration requirement for the VT Certificate for Librarianship.

Trustee's

10/21: Regional Trustee Training - Cobleigh Public Library, Lyndonville (9:00am-12:00pm) Area library trustees are invited to join Governance and Management Consultant Lara Keenan for a special regional trustee training. Trustees will gather to meet, network with, and learn from other area trustees. Lara will offer a quick basic trustee training (new for some, a review for others), followed by a deep dive into community engagement, the Harwood Institute Method, and strategic planning ideas. Interested trustees should indicate when registering other topics they would like to discuss, as Lara will use those suggestions to fill out the agenda.

Volunteers:

Thank you~ Pam Johnson for purchasing the No Smoking signs, and Brad Johnson for hanging them!

Curiosity Corner:

This month is all about seeds! If you would like to share a fun or interesting collection of sorts, please consider the locked display on the first floor of the adult section.

Programs:

10/2 Former Vermont Poet Laureate (2011-15) Sydney Lea read from thirteenth collection of poems titled "*Here*".

10/3 Harvest Swap! Was a delicious and fun program sure to be an annual event! Participants brought something to share at the tasting table and another for the swap. Area farms including Piersons, 4 Corners, Borderline Treeworks, Cedar Circle Farm and Education Center, and Long Wind Farm generously donated items for a raffle basket. Congratulations to raffle winner Lindsey Pearce!

10/19 Wednesday, October 9, 6:00PM

'Community Lens' invites all to share new portraits taken or review your portfolio and bring some in. Put on a thumb drive or bring your computer and we'll have a show on the big screen ~ Prints are OK too!

10/16 Wednesday, October 16, 6:30 PM

Photos and discussion with Jim Lemkin

Voter Suppression ~ In 50 years what's changed? Jim Lemkin was 19 when he and five other college students drove from Rochester NY to Tylertown Mississippi at the height of the civil rights movement in an effort to spread the word to the African American community that voter suppression tactics had become illegal. In conjunction with the 2019 Vermont Reads celebration of the title March:Book One by John Lewis, Andrew Aydin, and Nate Powell.

10/24 Podcast Club! Thursday, October 24, 6:30 PM

Podcasters! ~ This month we will discuss "The Shrink Next Door" by Wondery..."...a story about power, control and turning to the wrong person for help for decades..."

Poetry Circle ~ 1st Weds 4 PM 4-5:30

French Conversation ~ 1st and 3rd Thursdays, 4 PM

Simply Neighbors Knitting ~ 3rd Friday Welcoming new knitters! 1PM

Friday~ Preschool Story Hour - 10 AM