February 2018 Librarian's Report Bradford Public Library

Administrative:

Free Tax Preparation Assistance will be offered again this year at the library beginning January 2/1 – April 12. This program is sponsored by and all volunteers preparers receive training from the IRS and the Vermont Department of Taxes. Assistance will be available on Thursdays 4-7 from February 1st through April 12th except not on April 5th and Saturdays 9-12 on Feb 10, 17, mar 3, 17, 31 and April 14th..Free Tax Preparation/Filing Assistance for families making \$54,000/year or less will be offered again this year Appointments can be drop-in or scheduled ahead. In addition to preparing state and federal tax returns, our volunteers will help file Vermont's renter's rebate, annual VT homestead declaration and property tax adjustment forms. Please bring your social security card or a government issued document that contains your full social security number; a valid photo ID; and your tax documents including property tax bills. For questions call/text Marcey at 802-291-0525

The IRS and Capstone Community Action are sponsors for this program.

Grants:

BPL received 75 copies of 2018 VT READS title *Bread and Roses Too* by Katherine Paterson. Programming will begin with distribution through BES students, staff and families for the February break.

Bradford Public Library has been approved for a scholar subsidy for a Vermont Humanities Book Discussion Series that will begin in March.

Programs:

Dean Whitlock - Writer, Author, Auctioneer March 1, 6 PM

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Community Lens Photo Group 2/14, 5-7

Spanish Conversation Fridays 11:30-12:30 with Luisa Lindsley

French Conversation 1st and 3rd Thursdays, 4 PM

Poetry Circle

1st Wednesday 4 PM, Bradford Public Library Poem Town is a town wide event that displays poetry on local business storefronts as a way to celebrate National Poetry Month in April. With poems displayed in our downtown windows, it is our goal to make poetry accessible to our community, and to inspire new readers and writers of poetry. We would like to invite poets of all ages to submit their poems for display. Please send any submissions to poemtown@bradfordvtlibrary.org.

Thursday Teen Gaming Club - 4 PM New teens welcome.

Valley Co-Operative Preschool Story Hour February 16.

STEAM programming with BES February 2 and 9, 12:45 Bradford Public Library

Friday~ Preschool Story Hour - 10 AM, Spanish Story Hour First Friday of each month.