



**March 2020**

**Librarian's Report**

**Bradford Public Library**

**Administrative:**

The 2020 summer performer grant was successfully submitted and received by the Department of Libraries.

We have removed our poorly circulating Large Print collection making room for the popular Fantasy titles. A smaller rotating display of newly published and requested titles from the ABLE Library in Barre will support large print readers.

**COVID-19:**

To address growing concern regarding the COVID 19 virus, we are culminating a plan to support wellbeing for our staff and patrons, and provide access to the most current information and resources to the public. *See attachment.*

**Technology:**

New to BPL (refurbished) Windows desktop purchased from Great Planning Tech/Scott Welch. This PC is for staff use, currently sits in the office, and will be at the circ desk when renovation occurs.

\*A new patron came in after reading in the paper and is *"thrilled"* for public access to our new PC's loaded with Microsoft Office programs which she needs to create budget spreadsheets and more. *"Thank You"*

**Professional Development:**

3/17 ~ Betsy will attend the LUV mtg and swap out rotating DVD collection. Program for this meeting features Suzanne Brown from VT Humanities on how to run a book discussion.

3/18 ~ Gail has been invited to present at the Connections Network professional development for daycare providers sponsored by the Children's Literacy Foundation (CLIF) at the Little Feet Children Center in Thetford.

3/19 ~ Gail will attend the newly formed LUV Tech mtg for a MAKERs Party at the HOWE Library and their new makerspace.

3/25 ~ Gail will attend the Orange County Librarians mtg at the Baldwin memorial Library in Wells River.

### **Curiosity Corner:**

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:**

#### **POEMTOWN/POETRY SUBMISSIONS:**

CALLING ALL POETS!

We invite poets of all ages to submit their poems for display downtown during this 3rd ANNUAL BRADFORD POEM TOWN celebration held throughout the month of April. Please send any submissions to [poemtown@bradfordvtlibrary.org](mailto:poemtown@bradfordvtlibrary.org)

#### **CENSUS 2020- YOUR RESPONSE MATTERS!**

Wednesday, March 18, 2020, 6-8 PM

Join us to learn more about the 2020 Census and what it means to you. Maxine Favreau from the US Census Bureau will be here to support you as you fill out your census report. Library resources (computers, telephone, and open WiFi) are available for public use. Learn more about what your participation means, how the data will be used, and how your privacy will be protected as we undertake this important work. Bring your census questions and concerns to BPL. We will be happy to direct you to online and telephone resources to participate in the 2020 Census.

#### **KNOW YOUR SUPPORT SYSTEM**

Saturday, March 21, 1- 1:45 PM

This group is for women 16 yrs and older. Discussion this month will focus on What is a support system? Who is in yours, and who do you want in your support system circle? How can the group help improve your support system?

#### **WHEATGRASS SHOT PARTY**

Wednesday, March 25, 2020 at 6:30 PM – 8 PM

Kick the Mud Season Blues and join Matthew Denton of Herban Sprout for a one of a kind shot party! Come learn all about the nutritional values and health benefits of wheatgrass. There will be fresh juice, made right on the spot for everyone to try. Let's get to juicing!

#### **Bradford Tiger Scouts ~ Heritage**

Thursday, March 26, 6:00 pm

Gail will work with the local Tiger Cub Pack in the children's room. For this adventure, Tiger Cubs and their adult partners learn about their family heritage and make a family tree.

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

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

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

**Friday~ Preschool Story Hour - 10 AM**