Director's Report Nov 2025

Good vibes: Evening Family storytime visitor loved his craft time!

From cookbook group: "I really enjoyed Monday night, the food was excellent and I learned so much about cooking . The ladies are so friendly." And "Thank you again for a fun night."

"My Librarians really take care of me!"

- Went to Lions meeting and gave them the plaque and had cake!
- Went to NELA and met with some fellow librarians, connected with former staff, learned great things: 2 sessions on AI and how to wisely use it; innovative ideas for maintaining staff training, ways to support the community in times of need, other ways to engage with patrons in program planning. Will share some of the presentations when the presenters make them available.
- I committed to walk in the parade with the Friends Float! Anyone want to join me?
- Launched online T-shirt store- proceeds will go toward new tables and chairs in the study rooms
- Our current power buying contract ends in December. I would like to wait to join another contract until we can get more information about the town's process. Joining with them may offer other perks.
- Working on assessing our 2025 spending to prepare to wrap up the year.
- Next meeting review our MOU with Town. See what may need to be updated-Pavilion, electronic sign, flag pole.
- I was invited to help Plaistow Library in their search for a new director. Acting as an advisor to their board.
- Energy Audit happened on Monday 11/17. Will get report soon. Reiterated the need for insulating the attic and air sealing being done at the same time, and would be the best solution for keeping the 2nd floor more comfortable for patrons and staff.
- What's Happening Hampstead with Lilli Walsh was filmed on Tuesday 11/18. Will let you all know when it's posted online and available on cable!