

Director Report August 17th, 2021

Administrative

- Conducted annual review of Sherri Walker-Towle
- Submitted paperwork for ARPA grant reimbursement to NH State Library
- Conducting search to find new bookkeeper for Trustees
- Established annual goals for Nichole Cotton
- Spoke with Peter Malia about revising NNHLC Bylaws to be consistent with NH RSA 53A
- Submitting grant to NH State Library for Redstone trail project

Buildings and Grounds

- Hired RWN Property Services to repair library steps
- Reviewed and discussed the issue of “1st Amendment Audits” with staff

Collections

- Library now offering a “garden bucket” as a part of our “library of things”
- Received quote from “MARCIVE” for authority control processing

Technology

- Senior Tech Tutoring: 10 sessions and 10 hours

Public Programs / Outreach

- Working with consultants, arranging strategic planning process
- Summer Reading Program concluded August 11th with over 300 participants
- Simon Brooks program was August 11th, sponsored by a grant from the Children’s Literacy Foundation
- Mission to Mars camp has gone well along with excellent publicity
- One Book One Valley title is now available
- Library will host an exhibit on the 20th Anniversary of 9/11
- Director has declared a moratorium on book donations
- Bob Cottrell produced video with Valley Vision on the Abenaki site
- Bob Cottrell presented “A Historical Schmorgesborg” August 14th and will also present at the Gibson Center

Friends of the Library

- Friends will be participating in “NH Gives” next year and purchase a membership to the NH Center for Non-Profits

Respectfully Submitted,

David Smolen