

Librarian Report
November 2016

We continue to purchase new books to keep our collection relevant, and respond to our patrons. I have also been making use of our (recently purchased) Kindles to purchase books for patrons at the point of request, rather than order or ILL a title. This allows the patron – if interested in an e-reader – to have the book directly without delay.

Luke Boushee conducted another successful workshop on Saturday November 5, teaching attendees blacksmithing and how to create their own flint. He brought his own homemade blacksmithing rig. He will be doing one more workshop this year, and due to the reviews from attendees, more next year. This is part of the VCF \$2500 Outdoors grant we received earlier this year.

The wreath making workshop by Rita Lee on the afternoon of November 5th was also successful, with 7 or so attendees.

Halloween was varyingly successful, with the party itself being well attended (65 people) and the Saturday events not (storytime, movies). I have not decided if I will keep the movie program going as yet.

The collaborative event with the school, Spooky Stories, was well attended, with kids reading their own stories to their parents. Around 35 people attended that, with 12 kids reading. Teresa Bolton (librarian) and I will have similar collaborations in the future.

Restoration has begun, and we now wait for Brian Dorman and Claude Houle to begin work on the foundation and drainage (this week according to Dorman) since Chris Mailloux pulled up the porch. Chris Mailloux has added supports to the barn's cupola and has so far done some limited work to the building's clapboard.