Library Director's report

Prepared by Director Susan Getty February 6, 2018

Monthly statistics: please see attached statistical summaries for the month of January 2018.

Financial/Donations:

• As I emailed to all Library Board trustees earlier this month (1/17/18), we did receive the SALS Library Services Seed Grant for our Makerspace cart proposal. The total amount awarded is \$2,359.44. We've already started ordering the materials needed for this project.

News/Issues:

- I have completed the annual report for 2017; Rebecca has completed the financial portions. I emailed a copy to all Library Board trustees, and I have a printed copy available. The Board needs to officially approve the annual report.
- A while back I mentioned that I was helping local artist Suzanne Cohen get a LARAC Grant for a performance she wants to put on at the Courthouse called *Eleanor*, a play she has written about Eleanor Roosevelt. She/we have been awarded this grant. The performance has been planned for April. She will be giving us a few complimentary tickets to the performance dates. I will be meeting with Janice Quartararo from the Courthouse to discuss ways we can coordinate some additional programming related to the event.

Programs:

- All regular programs are going along as usual: Wednesday morning Story Time, Scrabble Club, Chess Club, Book Club, Lego Club, Herbal Study Group, Knit/Crochet Group.
- Irene Baldwin's Short Story Writing class is going well according to all reports I've received thus far. It will be ending on Thursday, February 15th.
- Sarah McFadden from CCE Rensselaer County will be offering a drop-in session for technology related questions on Thursday, February 8th from 5 7 PM.
- Sarah McFadden will also be offering a digital photography workshop (organizing, editing, and sharing photos) on Thursday, February 22 at 6 PM.
- Washington County Public Health will be offering a program called "Creating Your Wellness Vision" on Tuesday, February 27 at 6:30 PM.
- I have a meeting scheduled with a representative from the Alzheimer's Association to offer programs in the near future related to Alzheimer's and dementia.
- We're working on a program line-up for the February school break (Feb 19-Feb 23).
- We've also started talking about summer programs. If anyone has ideas, please let us know!