

# BEACON FALLS PUBLIC LIBRARY

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Dear members of the Board of Selectmen,

Attached you will find the library's April service report and financial report.

## **Areas of note from the April Service report:**

- The library continues to offer an increased number of adult and child programs
- Patrons have been coming into the library daily to use the public computers
- Web site visits are up 9%
- Each month we continue to get requests for notary services. The community is appreciative for this service
- Overall circulation continues to be close to a 50% increase from last year. There is an increase in circulation of adult books, young adult books, juvenile books, videos, and family passes
- Interlibrary loan has greatly increased. The library sends out 4-6 bins of our material weekly and we receive 4-6 bins of library material from other libraries on a weekly basis. This allows patrons to take out material we may not own.
- Overall library card registration is up by 29%
- Child programs included Preschool Storytime, yoga, art exploration, robotics, a puppet show, a story walk, Legos in the library, movies & munchies, an Easter party, a slime experiment and YMCA Healthy Kids Day
- Teens participated in a murder mystery, a jar craft, and a sign painting.
- Adult programs included the monthly true crime book club at Rivers Edge Restaurant, string art, a virtual cooking presentation by Chef Rob, and a quilt club

## **Areas of note regarding the April FY 21\_22 Financial Report:**

Roughly 80% percent of the overall library budget has been expended. The computer line is 98% expended, library materials is 70% expended, the professional development line is depleted due to the transfer to the programming line. The programming budget is 93% spent and the copier lease is 63% expended.

There are many great programs coming up in May. These include a social security presentation, and a program on Disney travel. There will be a teen craft night and crafts offered for adults and children.

Thank you for your continued support of the Beacon Falls Public Library.

Sincerely,

Elizabeth Setaro-Posick

Library Director