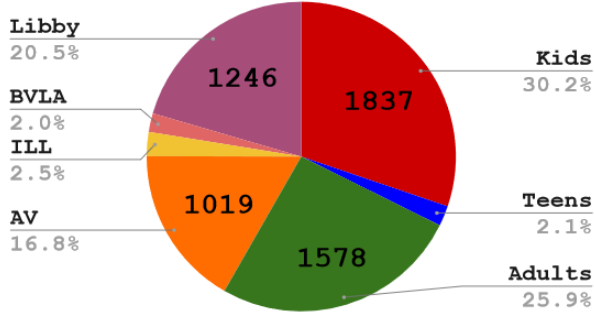


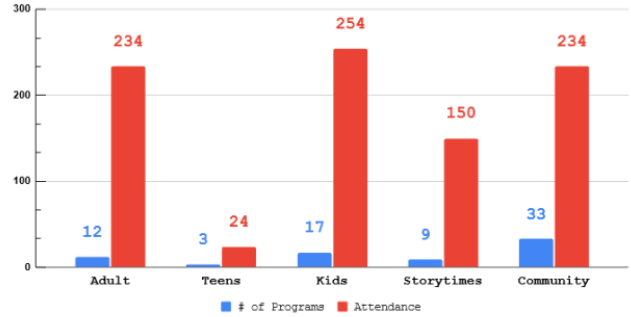
Director Report May 8th, 2024

April 2024 - Circulation: 6081 items



April 2024 - Programs

74 programs w/ 896 attendees



The Conway Odyssey Showcase was held on April 15th for the Library's OM teams to present their long-term problem solutions to the community. The event was attended by 72 people and the Friends raised over \$2,000 through our Odyssey raffle, allowing the Library to offer the program at zero cost to kids living in the MWV next school year. The library teams that chose the "Vehicle" and "Structure" problems traveled to Biddeford, ME on April 27th to compete in the rescheduled Odyssey Spring Fling with hundreds of the most creative kids in the northeast.



The Conway Public Library was selected as part of the NH State Library cohort to participate in the upcoming *Library Futures School: Reframing Library Organizations – Implementing Strategic Foresight Tools to Create Future*

Ready Library Operating Systems, sponsored by the Institute of Museum and Library Services and the Laura Bush 21st Century Librarian Program. Tessa, Annie, and Jeff will be attending a 3-day virtual professional development course in June that is intended to train teams of library staff members with the tools needed to lead their libraries into the future.



Glynis led the charge on April 20th at the Library's first annual Clean Up the Park Day. More than a dozen community members gathered on a rainy Saturday morning to pick up sticks, rake leaves, and otherwise beautify the library grounds.

On April 24th the New Hampshire Historical Society and New Hampshire Humanities invited representatives from museums, cultural organizations, and local historical societies from across the state to join them in Concord for a summit to share ideas and discuss plans for the 250th anniversary of the American Revolution. Bob Cottrell attended on behalf of the Library to learn about grant opportunities and continue developing library programs in celebration of the semiquincentennial.

Jeff attended the town-wide cybersecurity audit debrief with the Department of Homeland Security on May 6th. All town employees will attend a cybersecurity training on May 30th led by the US Secret Service.



The Library once again held a successful Touch-a-Truck event in partnership with the Town Crew, which attracted over 60 truck touching enthusiasts to the Library.



Kate Duval will be attending the *NHLA Children's Librarians of New Hampshire Spring Conference: Adventure Begins with You*, on May 14th

The GAR Flag Dedication Ceremony was well attended by local officials, pictured here from left to right: Joe Kenney, NH Executive Councilor - Tom Bucco, NH House of Representatives -

Chris McAleer, NH House of Representatives - John Colbath, Conway Selectman - David Paige, NH House of Representatives - Dotty Blake, Friends of the Conway Public Library - Steve Woodcock, NH House of Representatives - Ginny Nossiff, Treasurer, Friends of the Conway Public Library - Kim Murdoch, Chair, Friends of the Conway Public Library - Jeff Beavers, Director, Conway Public Library - Bob Cottrell, Curator, Henney History Room.

Respectfully submitted,

Jefferson M. Beavers, Library Director