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Greetings to All,

In June 2017, I began working as your Library Director and Head Librarian. It was a joy to be shown such gracious hospitality by the citizens of Limestone. You've made it a pleasure to be here.

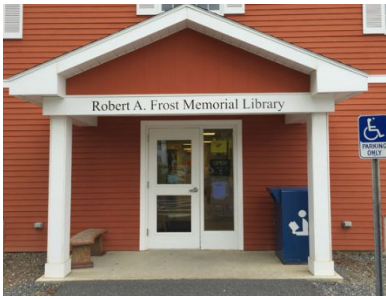
The theme of our 2017 Summer Reading Program was *Build a Better World*. The Mad Science of Maine organization put on an impact show teaching children about engineering. Touch-A-Truck, Sound Effects, Construction, Not a Box (Reduce, Reuse, Recycle), and Animal Grossout. Thanks to the following for helping make it a successful week: The Limestone Highway, Fire, and Police Departments for delivering some cool vehicles for Touch-A-Truck Day; Dr. Rick Asam for teaching us about sound effects in books, in theater, and in movies; Carpenter Brian Weston for his construction instruction; Assistant Librarian Angel Boyd for helping children create a masterpiece from recycling; and Betty Rinehart from our Aroostook Wildlife Refuge for teaching us about animal behavior and antics.

August 2017 ushered in the new student body of the Maine School of Science and Mathematics. I attended the event and provided information about what services our library gives to our community. Here's a partial list of our services:

- Eclectic collection of over 20,000 books, audiobooks, magazines, and movies
- Online Public Access Catalog to access our diversified collection
- Interlibrary Loan Program and MARVEL database which provides patrons with a broader reach to obtain items
- Connection to Maine InfoNet which allows users to download audiobooks and eBooks plus Wi-Fi access for all
- Copy and fax services; access to local newspapers, reference materials, and area/Maine history; establishment of Choice Magazine Listing's audio magazine for adults with impaired vision or other disability
- Monthly supplementation to our large print collection with Augusta's Maine State Library
- Usage of our Little Free Library in Rotary Park.

Events at our library during the 2017/18 season included:

- Monthly visits to read to Jessica Cuthbertson's Daycare children & summer free lunch site;
- Visit from the Limestone Community School K-2 Learning Community
- Participation in our town's annual Fourth of July Parade, in which 500 bookmarks advertising our Summer Reading Program were handed out to children along the parade route
- Celebrated The United Way of Aroostook Summer Read Across Aroostook Day on August 2
- Adult Book Club meetings beginning on September 30
- A stained glass class taught by Lisa Wark, an Instructor at Presque Isle Adult and Community Education
- Creepy Coloring Contest on October 10 (coloring pictures were judged by the residents at Rising Hill)
- The 16th annual Linda M. Page Remembrance Walk and the Library's Fall Book Sale on October 14
- Spooky Story Hour on October 26
- November Cooking Matters Classes taught by Heather McGuire of Maine SNAP-ED
- November visit from LCS Pre-K students
- SIRUNO Stroke Prevention Program's high blood pressure screening in November
- Christmas Wreath Making with Angel on December 7
- Christmas Centerpiece Making with Jane on December 14
- Storytime with Mrs. Claus and Christmas Craft Time on December 20
- Gingerbread House Making on December 2
- Knitting and Crochet Club began in January
- LCS Grade 2 visits in January and February
- Going Away Party for former Assistant Librarian Angel Boyd on February 8
- Valentine's Day Cookie Decorating Day on February 14 and a St. Patrick's Day party on March 16



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In March, Kelly Johndro joined the staff replacing Angel Boyd who we thank for her service!

Many organizations use our library to hold weekly/monthly meetings or to hold classes:

- Yoga and chair yoga with Instructor Julie French;
- Cub & Boy Scouts; Girl Scouts;
- Pokemon Club, Advent Cemetery Community
- LCS Alumni; Ski Club, and Sorority Club.

2017 Memorial Donations

In remembrance of: Morris H. Ward, George James, Carol Kelley and deceased classmates of LCS's Class of 1967.

2018 Memorial Donations (ytd):

In remembrance of: Raymond Beaulieu, Michael St. Pierre, and Helen Bubar.

Members of our Library Board of Trustees

- Barbara Gallagher, Chairperson
- Nancy & Greg Ward
- Jean Bernier
- Helen St. Pierre
- Mary Webster
- Rea Caldwell

Members of the Friends of the Library

- Gay Bernier, President
- Dianne Edgecomb
- Pat Watson
- Marilyn Beaulieu
- Mary Godfrey
- Jean Marie St. Peter
- Dot Phair, treasurer
- Leona Michaud

Thank you to everyone who has volunteered their time, energy, and resources to support our library.

Respectfully submitted,

Robin Thurston

Robin Thurston, Director & Librarian

“Whatever the cost of our libraries, the price is cheap compared to that of an ignorant nation.”

— Walter Cronkite, Broadcaster (1916-2009)