

**LIBRARY BOARD MEETING NOTES
FEBRUARY 24, 2022**

APPROVED

03/24/2022

Opened at 3:45 PM

Present: Gloria Nicholson, MaryAnn Anderson, Becky Ketchum, Sallie Wilder, Marnie Bottesch and Nina Pleasants, Librarian.

Meeting notes of January 27, 2022 meeting approved.

Greetings to our new Librarian and a note of thanks to Sallie for keeping the library open on all those long, very cold, and snowy days.

Further discussion of the necessity of getting library information to the Norridgewock public. How does that get accomplished? A monthly newsletter will be written by the Librarian setting forth coming events and items of interest. We will add unique patron usage (how many different people are using the library) to the accounting of how many patron visits are being made monthly. Facebook page re-activated so Librarian has this tool for communication and can also have information posted on Library page of Town website. Also, flyers around town and newspaper notices before events (free). We have lead time now to get our events in the free monthly paper and Sentinel calendar.

Shelving signage is ongoing. New books will be displayed by genre when possible. Nina will have information on the ALA grant and ARPA funding for next meeting. Gloria and Nina will work on the deacquisition of children's books.

The Chewonki program, Bats of the World, at the Grange will be either Saturday Sept. 24, 2022 or Oct.1, 2022 @ 11AM.

Donated children's books that we do not need for our catalog: set out on a table near the ballfield during good weather for free or a donation.

Event Planning: Nina suggested and is going to look into off-site theatre event during Women's History month. Following events all at 10:30 AM:

- StoryTime by Gloria second Tuesdays now through June: 4/11, 5/10 and 6/14. Need to get this in the papers.
- March 26: Maple Sugaring with Iver Lofving. Set up a Maple Syrup display (actual products? / photos?)
- April 2: Start tomato seeds. Paper pots. Nina will check school to encourage participation for kids.
- April 30 quilt collage, if you have materials such as wrapping paper/wall paper/magazines, etc. give them to MaryAnn; Will need to purchase (?) adult scissors/ staplers – this is not a sewing event
- May 21 Sallie will do children's clay workshop pots/animals
- Other topics touched on: pumpkins; Ruth Keister's son for planting?

The yearly calendar of events presents very nicely. How to be presented to the public?

We should read up on the summer reading programs for next meeting. Book picks for February attached; book picks for March due any time before 3/17/22.

Adjourned: 5:30 PM

Submitted by Marnie Bottesch, secretary

February 2022 Book Selections

- Somebody's Daughter Ashley Ford
- After the Fall: Being American in the World We've Made Ben Rhodes
- No Light to Land On Yara Ygheib
- What's in a Name John Mc Donald the story of every town name in Maine
- Mapping Murder William Andrews
- Shadows Reel CJ Box
- The Paris Apartment Lucy Foley
- Forget the Alamo: the Rise and Fall of an American Myth Byron Burrough
- The Joy & Light Bus Company by Alexander McCall Smith
- Fuzz by Mary Roach
- Wishtree by Katherine Applegate
- Fat: A cultural history of the Stuff of Life by Christopher E. Forth

