

Medway Public Library
Director's Report
July 7, 2020

On June 1st, the library offers outside pickup. Patrons can submit requests (for items owned by Medway Library only) online, by email or by phone. After we find them on the shelves, we will bag the items and call the patron to arrange for outside pickup.

Programs in June:

- Thursday and Friday Story Times - Online Live
- Monday and Wednesday Yoga for Kids and Teens - Online Live
- STEM Tuesday Videos
- Legends of New England with Jeff Belanger

Programs in July will include:

- Thursday and Friday Story Times - Online Live
- Monday and Wednesday Yoga for Kids and Teens - Online Live
- Storytime with a Princess
- Dungeons & Dragons Lite
- Noggin the Sled Dog
- Visit with an Astronaut

Children's/YA Librarian Report:

In June, youth services continued providing an established slate of digital programming, including yoga for kids, STEM videos, and virtual storytimes. Summer reading began at the very end of June. We're using Beanstack, specialized reading program software, thanks to a two-year software grant from MBLC. On the last day of June, Storytime With a Princess (featuring Princess Snow) kicked off our summer programming, which will continue through July and the first half of August.

Our grant proposal for Virtual Programming for Distance Learning has been selected for funding by the MBLC in the amount of \$3,038.00. This funding will cover costs for a wide array of distance learning projects, from a story walk (for which we plan to partner with Medway Parks and Rec), PLA filament for our 3D printer, camera equipment to film tutorials and make movies, a gaming console to provide another virtual point of contact in our future Animal Crossing island, graphic design software, and an array of materials for make-and-take kits we'll partner with Zoom programs.

Building & Grounds

The emergency lights were inspected. A circuit breaker needed replacing.

DPW has been disinfecting surfaces at the Library on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

Meetings in June included:

Department Heads Meeting

Annual Report Information Survey

Zoom library status meetings for Massachusetts Libraries (mostly small/medium ones)

Town facilities infrastructure survey meeting

Zoom meeting with local libraries

Meetings in July

Department Heads Meeting

Handling Patrons Legal Questions During the Pandemic

Zoom library status meetings for Massachusetts Libraries (mostly small/medium ones)

Minuteman Library Network Membership - Reopening discussion

Homelessness webinar

Margaret Y. Perkins, Library Director