Sargentville Library Association

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Newsletter Winter 2016



Winter greetings to our Sargentville Library community

The summer of 2015 was a very active time for our volunteers and those who participated in our activities. We held two special events. The first, held in the Sargentville Chapel on July 16, allowed Bob Sargent to introduce the new book describing his grandfather's career: **MAPPING THE FRONTIER:** A **Memoir of Discovery from Coastal Maine to the Alaskan Rim.** Much of the book consists of R. Harvey Sargent's own words probably written during 1947 while staying at Starboard Watch. It is a wonderful book with superb photos and maps. Our second unique event happened on August 3 and was a benefit performance and reading by Warren Lehrer, an author, artist and Sedgwick summer resident. The title, A **LIFE IN BOOKS,** proved to be extremely appropriate for our library where we are dedicated to the written word and visual material conveyed through books as well as electronic media.



Through the efforts of two board members, Rae-Ann Means and Susan Webb, we sponsored a Summer Reading Program publicized through our local elementary schools. In addition these young women led two field trips. One focused on a book about fairy houses followed by a trip into the woods where the young folks created their own houses. The second excursion dealt with local history and culminated in a visit to the Settler's Rest Cemetery. As our photos show, participants completed a data gathering sheet and grave rubbings.

We welcomed Emily Webb to the board of the Library Association where she has taken over the job of Treasurer from Rada Starkey. Rada has served cheerfully and efficiently for about five years. Fortunate-

ly, she is able to continue on the board. During the winter of 2014-15 we were unable to stay open twice a week throughout the year because of the brutal weather. But this year we are hoping that a more mild winter will allow Kay Grover and Jan Anderson to maintain consistent Saturday morning hours as publicized. Please stop by and borrow some of our new and old books.

Cathy Marshall organized our book group last summer and we read and discussed the following three books: **BOYS IN THE BOAT**, Brown, **HERE IF YOU NEED ME**, Braestrup and **GIRL ON THE TRAIN**, Hawkins. As for our building and property, the major accomplishment was a drastic trimming of our spruce tree which has allowed improved visibility and additional parking space. The parking space is a high priority since we offer 24/7 WIFI all year long.

Looking forward to the summer

We are hoping that the new Sedgwick town website will be up and running by summer. If it is, we expect that the Sargentville Library Association digital archive will be available to the public. Pam Simmons works continually to update and add to this collection of photos, documents and memories.

Meanwhile, check out our past newsletters on the Sedgwick town website (<u>www.sedgwickmaine.org/content/view/172/41</u>) and enjoy a healthy and pleasant winter and spring.

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