Wolfeboro Public Library Librarian’s Report – August 1, 2014

Facility
Three faucet sets in the original restrooms were replaced on July 10th due to problems with leaks or with the faucet turning on by itself.

Technology:
Four of the library’s staff computers were replaced in July thanks to the generosity of the Friends of the Wolfeboro Library. As well as the computers, the Friends supplied three additional software licenses for MS-Office. These upgrades are part of the library’s 2014 Technology Plan, which is being funded by a $10,000 commitment from the Friends of the Library for technology.

Other:
Library staff proctored two exams for students involved in online study programs during the month of July.

Programming:
The library presented a total of 40 programs in July. Programs included the Lego club, book discussions, story times, genealogy programs, a classic film, a children’s musician and a storyteller. Five hundred fifty people attended the various programs.

Statistics:
Year-to-date circulation figures are down slightly, by 1.6%, with 65,957 items circulated by the end of July. The number of visitors decreased 8% over last July with 10,111 visits, however year-to-date the number of visitors has increased by 1.4% with over 52,000 people through the doors so far in 2014. Questions asked increased by 16% over July 2013 statistics while circulation of downloadable audio books and e-books increased by 12%. There have been over 21,500 hits on the homepage of the library’s new website.