

Facility:

Minor roof leaks continued to be a problem in November as there were several rain or mixed precipitation storms during the month. There was no damage except to ceiling tiles.

Staff Development:

Susan Fuller, Library Technician, and Barbara Flaherty, Library Assistant, attended a workshop in Hooksett about new trends in technology.

Library staff scheduled a special work day on Friday, November 14th to evaluate and weed the library's CD collection, the large print collection, and the picture book collection. The review of the CD collection was particularly important as a large collection of CDs had been donated to the library.

Programming:

The library presented a total of 21 programs in November. Programs included the Lego club, book discussions, story times, a genealogy workshop, and a program about sled dogs. Two hundred fifty-three people attended the various programs.

Statistics:

The number of visitors increased by 38% with 9,116 patrons visiting during the month. The majority of these people stayed for an extended period of time reading magazines, newspapers and books, or using the children's play area for play time. Internet use increased by 4% with 1,717 half hour sessions. The percentage using the library's wired computers was higher as fewer wireless users visited during the month. This was a reversal of the trend begun in March where the majority used the wireless system. While over 8,100 items were borrowed from the library during the month, there was a decrease of 6.5% from November 2013 figures. The number of questions asked also decreased from 551 in November 2013 to 520 in November 2014.