

The Colville Library Board of Trustees met on January 11, 2012 at the Colville Public Library. Meeting was called to order by Rich (acting Vice President) at 4:05pm. Present: Kari Hubbard, Deanne Ressa, Rich Brightman, Krista Ohrtman, Dorothy Bergin and Rick Moore (representing Stevens County Library Board). Minutes for the October 2011 meeting were read and approved and elections for officers were assigned; Kari will assume the position of Chairman, Rich, the position of vice-chairman and secretary, Deanne.

New Business: Both Bob Davison and Rich Brightman's terms ended December 31st, with only Rich renewing his position. Anne Lawson was elected to City Council so she will not be able to remain on the board. In light of this we have (2) positions open. We have had one application for a new trustee, Melissa Stalp, she was unanimously recommended to replace Bob, allowing her a five year term. We will open up Anne's position in the newspaper, also offering it to the Improvement Club members that live in town.

Reports/information: Krista presented her manager's report including information on the circulation per week and new cards that have been distributed, noting that with the reduced hours per week we are probably at the same ratio of circulation from last year. She also reported several donations, including a \$500 donation from Anthaeneum Club to be used to purchase a heavy-duty book truck, \$500 from Providence Mount Carmel for the Summer Reading Program, and the NeWGS \$300 to purchase replacement tables in the meeting room.

Adrienne has been working extensively in addition to her regular hours to re-design the Libraries of Stevens County website that was launched December 1st, hoping it will make navigating easier and visibly more pleasing to the eye.

The Colville Library hosted a Humanities Washington program on October 10th, with author and ecologist Dennis Dauble presenting Cast Your Lines: Fishing in the Columbia River Basin. Also young adult author, Ben Mikaelson presented on October 29th highlighting his life and young adult books he has authored. Weekly computer classes, story time for babies and the young, teen/tween book clubs, Japanese Anime/Manga and the early release movies continue on a regular basis. The license for the showing of the movies has been renewed for another year. The library staff is fielding many questions for e-readers that were obtained over the holidays. Haley Hubbard, a senior at CHS and weekly volunteer, will be offering two days (January 10th 4:00-5:30pm and 12th 6:30-8:00pm) of technology assistance to help patrons with their questions regarding technology for her senior project with a possibility of another date scheduled. The NE Washington Genealogical Society will be offering volunteers on Thursday afternoons in January and February to field questions and provide information on resources and tools available. Currently the library has four after school volunteers; Reece Johnson, Luke Walker, Haley Hubbard and Katie Ressa to assist in shelving duties.

Beginning in 2012 the Libraries of Stevens County will be implementing fees for non-Stevens county residents who wish to utilize our collections. The annual, per family fee will be \$90.

We also had a furnace emergency recently that required repairs costing \$300.

One other note: The cat that was found in the drop box is alive and in good health!

We closed our meeting at 5pm. Our next meeting will be April 11 at 4:00pm.