



# Superintendent's Update

Wells-Ogunquit  
Community School District

January 11, 2018

James P. Daly  
Superintendent of Schools

## **A message from Supt. Daly.....**

*I sincerely hope each of our students and families had a wonderful holiday break! The month of January has begun with below zero temperatures – let's hope warmer days are ahead!*

*Whether it be in academics, the arts, or sports, our students are among the best! We are pleased to announce that eleven WHS students have received recognition in the regional Scholastic Arts competition. Congratulations to Alexandra Chase, Brianna Christie, Claudia Davis, Sara Del Rio Vazquez, Lauren Dow, Paul Earsing, Raven Goodell, John Keniston, Nick Maynard, Megan Schneider, and Channing Wang. Five of these students have also qualified to compete at the national level. (see Page 6 for a gallery of the award-winning artwork).*

*Our students also give back to their community through their tremendous community service and charitable fundraising events.*

*The WHS Wrestling team has been raising money this season in honor of Spencer Smith, the son of WHS alumnus and wrestler, Nate Smith (Class of 2000). Spencer has been diagnosed with a rare, incurable neurological disease known as Sanfilippo syndrome. The team expects to raise over \$2,500 for the not-for-profit Cure Sanfilippo Foundation. (see Page 5 to learn how you can donate)*

*I would also like to take this opportunity to acknowledge the hard work of our Lady Warrior Basketball teams and coaches. The Lady Warriors will host their 9<sup>th</sup> annual "Shootin' for a Cure" event. This Saturday, January 13<sup>th</sup>, players from Wells Junior High and Wells High School will shoot free throws to raise money to benefit Breast Cancer Awareness programs at York Hospital. The Lady Warriors have raised more than \$225,000 for this fund over the last eight years!*

*We are proud of our student athletes and their coaches for their dedication and commitment to these great causes. We are fortunate to live in a community that supports their efforts!*

## **Important Dates**

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**Holiday –** Martin Luther King, Jr. Day  
Mon, Jan. 15<sup>th</sup> -NO SCHOOL

## **Events -**

**WHS Lady Warriors Basketball**  
9<sup>th</sup> Annual Shootin' for a Cure  
Sat., Jan. 13<sup>th</sup>

**WJHS Select Chorus –**  
perform the National Anthem at a Red Claws game  
Thurs., Jan. 18<sup>th</sup>

**WJHS Spelling Bee**  
Thurs., Jan. 18<sup>th</sup>

**WES 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Band Concert**  
Friday, Jan. 19<sup>th</sup> – 10 am

**WJHS Geography Bee**  
Fri., Jan. 26<sup>th</sup>

## **Early Release**

### **Wednesdays...**

- each Wednesday throughout the school year

WHS – dismissal 12:49pm  
WJHS- dismissal 1:00pm  
WES – dismissal 2:00pm



## ON-THE-SPOT RECOGNITIONS

*Students, teachers, staff, and community members exhibiting "Warrior Pride".  
Thank you for making our schools shine!*

### Students-

#### Wells Elementary School –

- **All Riders on Buses #2 and #12** – are recognized for good behavior during the morning and afternoon bus rides. As a reward, these students are allowed to wear a hat all day at school and will also receive a special sticker that proudly reflects good citizenship!

#### Wells Junior High School –

- **Chloe Madsen- Grade 5** - placed 5th at the math meet on December 19th. *Congratulations, Chloe!*
- **Natalie Botolini-Grade 6** – along with her classmates helped in setting up the WJHS hydroponics system. They are now able to grow lettuce and spinach that can be added to the salad bar this winter!
- **Colton Harding and Nathan Muchemore – Grade 6** -take the initiative in helping with classroom tasks without being asked. Each sees what needs to be done, and simply takes care of it!
- **Maya Olin – Grade 7** - demonstrates core values each and every day by her hard work, and compassion for others.
- **Colby Bolduc – Grade 8** - found money on a classroom floor and turned it in to the office. His honesty, responsibility, and leadership are much appreciated!
- **8th Grade Boys Basketball Team** - special thanks to the team for setting up all the chairs for the Christmas concert after their practice. Most of the team also stayed for the concert supporting their teammates and classmates!

#### Wells High School –

- **Odin Kammerer- Grade 11** – named *Student of the Quarter* at Sanford Regional Vocational Center in recognition of his outstanding work in Video Production classes! *Nice job, Odin!*



#### Wells High School (cont'd) –

- **Michael Wrigley – Grade 12** – recipient of the 2017 *Sean Sheehy Award* given annually to the top wrestler at the Atlantic's Tournament. *Congratulations, Michael!*
- **Scholastic Arts Competition award recipients:**
  - Alexandra Chase** -1 Silver Key in Painting
  - Brianna Christie** -1 Gold Key in Mixed Media  
1 Silver Key in Ceramics  
1 Hon. Mention/Ceramics
  - Claudia Davis** - 1 Gold Key in Photography
  - Sara Del Rio Vazquez** - 2 Hon Mentions  
in Photography
  - Lauren Dow** - 1 Gold Key in Digital Media
  - Paul Ersing** - 1 Silver Key in Ceramics  
1 Honorable Mention in Sculpture
  - Raven Goodell** - 2 Honorable Mentions  
in Photography
  - John Keniston** - 1 Gold Key in Painting
  - Nick Maynard** - 1 Gold Key in Portfolio  
(collection of 8 photographs)
  - Megan Schneider** -1 Silver Key in Photography  
1 Honorable Mention  
in Photography
  - Channing Wang** - 1 Silver Key in Portfolio  
(collection of 8 photographs)

(See Page 6 to view a gallery of this award-winning artwork)

# Happenings Throughout the District

## Wells Elementary School

### **Teen Trendsetters™.....making reading fun!**

Beginning in October, students in Ms. Esty's class welcomed this year's *Teen Trendsetters™* from Mrs. Wentland's class. The high school students walk to the elementary school each Friday morning to work with first graders. Each high school student is paired with a younger student to help them with reading skills.



WHS Senior, Lilly Hendry and WES 1<sup>st</sup> Grader, Faith Court

Creating holiday tom-paper wreath decorations

Reading a poem called, *New Friends*, and working on rhyming words



WHS Seniors, Brianna Hennessey and Gage Baker working with WES students, Whitney Thomas and Wyatt Blanchette

(*Teen Trendsetters™* is a mentor program sponsored by the Barbara Bush Foundation for Family Literacy)

## Wells Junior High School

### **Making a Difference.....**

**6<sup>th</sup> Graders write a song about our National Parks**



Composer, Monte Selby, gathers students' ideas for lyrics in creating a song about national parks

To listen to the song, click here:

[The National Park Song by WJHS 6th Graders and Monte Selby](#)

Through the help of a **Berlin City Drive for Education Grant**, Grade 6 Social Studies was awarded \$2000 to bring Grammy award-winning musician, Monte Selby, to the school to write an original song with students about our national parks, a topic they were studying in social studies as part of researching a current issue - the raising of fees in 17 of the parks.

Mr. Selby visited the school for two days in December to listen to their ideas. Together they wrote a song! Postcards created by the students were used as a background for the music video featuring the song the kids had collaborated on with him.

The students hope their musical message reflects the importance of these national treasures!

*Wells Junior High would like to thank the Berlin City Auto Group and the "Drive for Education" program for making this event possible.*

# Wells High School

## Performing LIVE at Lincoln Center, NYC!



Wells High School's Select A Cappella Chorus

- Row 1 – Paige Tremblay, Kate Perry, Coach-Bailey Smith, Zoe Angelakis, and Negei Martel.
- Row 2 – Raven Goodell, Sydney McDermott, and Ella Poulin
- Row 3 – Lily Iannillo, Kylie Belanger, and Kim Towne
- Row 4 – Delaney Bailey, Delaney McDonnell, Katie Reidy, and Sam Jones

In March, members of *WHS's Select A Cappella Chorus* will travel to New York City to perform in the highly prestigious national presentation, *Total Vocal*.

After a two-round audition and interview process, the group was chosen to participate in this 4<sup>th</sup> annual event that celebrates contemporary a cappella choirs from all over the globe.

This is indeed an honor for the Select A Cappella Chorus that is only in its' 2<sup>nd</sup> season!

Good luck to these very talented young ladies!

## WHS Senior named finalist for Gatziano Award



Sean McCormack-Kuhman

Congratulations to *Sean McCormack-Kuhman* named one of three top finalists for the prestigious *Frank J. Gaziano Memorial Award* in the offensive lineman category.

The Gaziano Award, established in 2010, annually recognizes one high school offensive lineman and one defensive lineman in the State of Maine who epitomizes character, leadership, perseverance, and scholastic ability.

The 2018 winner will be announced at the Gaziano Award Banquet to be held January 27th, 2018.

*Good luck, Sean!*

## Your donation is in the bag!!



During the month of January each **Hannaford Helps Bag** sold at the Wells Hannaford store will generate a \$1 donation to support Wells High School Athletic Boosters!

*Hannaford Helps* bags with the "Good Karma" message can be found on the reusable bag rack and at various registers.

If you have any questions, or for more information, please contact:  
Morgan Palmer - Hannaford Prog Dir  
[603.380.7309](tel:603.380.7309)

...or visit the Hannaford Cause Bag program website  
[hannaford.bags4mycause.com](http://hannaford.bags4mycause.com)

# Adult Education



Spring is just around the corner.....

Although the weather is still snowy and cold,  
Adult Ed is looking ahead to spring!

Watch for their new brochure coming out in early February!



FMI- call 646-4565 or go to their website at <http://wells-ogunquit.maineadulted.org/>

WELLS-OGUNQUIT C.S.D.'S  
**Literary Achievement Awards  
 2018**

**JUDGES NEEDED!**

FMI- contact Maryanne Foley  
[mfolev@wocsd.org](mailto:mfolev@wocsd.org)

**HELP THE WHS  
 WRESTLERS FIGHT  
 SANFILIPPO SYNDROME**

To learn how to support the Wells High School wrestling team's fundraising, email Coach Scott Lewia at [slewia@RSU57.org](mailto:slewia@RSU57.org).

General donations for the Cure Sanfilippo Foundation can be made in Spencer Smith's name at the [Cure Spencer](#) page at the Cure Sanfilippo Foundation website: [curesff.org](http://curesff.org)

Read more about the Team's efforts to help Spencer:  
<https://www.pressherald.com/2018/01/10/wells-wrestlers-raising-money-for-child-with-rare-neurological-disease/>

**Coming Soon!**

**THE WIZARD OF OZ**

Wells Junior High  
 March 22 -24

**WHS UNIFIED BASKETBALL SCHEDULE**

TUESDAY- 1/23 @ York  
 TUESDAY-1/30 Home vs. Marshwood/Noble 3:45 p.m.  
 MONDAY-2/5 @ Kennebunk 3:30 p.m.  
 THURSDAY-2/8 Home vs. York 3:30 p.m.  
 TUESDAY-2/13 @ Noble 3:45 p.m.  
 THURSDAY 2/15 vs. Kennebunk 3:30 p.m.

# WHS Scholastic Art Awards 2018



"Limelight" by Brianna Christie



"Afraid" by Claudia Davis



"Ferris Wheel" by Megan Schneider



"Koi Fish" by Paul Ersing



Photo by Raven Goodell



"Self-Portrait" by John Keniston



Unnamed photo by Nick Maynard



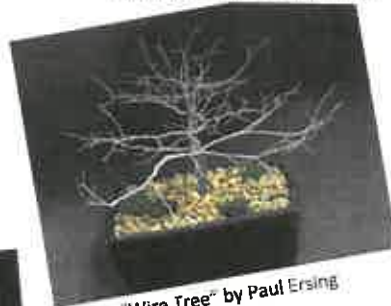
"Rippling Waves" by Brianna Christie



Unnamed photo by Sara Del Rio Vazquez



Unnamed photo by Megan Schneider



"Wire Tree" by Paul Ersing



Unnamed photo by Lauren Dow



"Wave Constellation" by Brianna Christie



"Lamp" by Raven Goodell



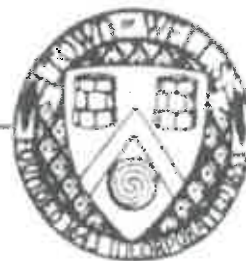
TOWN OF WELLS  
POLICE DEPARTMENT

*Protecting a great community*

P.O. BOX 949, WELLS, ME 04090

Jo-Ann Putnam

Chief of Police



**Press Release: January 9<sup>th</sup>, 2018**

On January 3, 2018, at approximately 0245 hours, Lester Foss, 79, of 1615 Littlefield Road, Wells, Maine, was arrested for Domestic Violence Assault, Priors, following a disturbance call. Lester was not allowed bail and was transported to the York County Jail. Lester is scheduled to appear at York County Superior Court on February 9, 2018, at 0815 hours.

On January 3, 2018, at approximately 2158 hours, Jordan Brown, 28, of 12 Locust Lane, South Berwick, Maine, was summonsed for Failure to Register Vehicle Greater than 150 Days following a traffic stop on Post Road. Jordan is scheduled to appear at York District Court on March 20, 2018, at 0815 hours.

On January 4, 2018, at approximately 0121 hours, Cindy Webber-Woodman, 33, of 53 Evergreen Drive, Wells, Maine, was arrested for Domestic Violence Assault *and* Operating Under the Influence following a disturbance complaint. Cindy was unable to post the required bail amount and was transported to the York County Jail. Cindy is scheduled to appear at York District Court on January 16, 2018, at 0815 hours.

On January 4, 2018, at approximately 1850 hours, Roseann Chapin, 59, of 102 Stephen Eaton Lane, Apt. #32, Wells, Maine, was summonsed for Theft of Services following a theft complaint. Roseann is scheduled to appear at York District Court on March 20, 2018, at 0815 hours.

On January 5, 2018, at approximately 2010 hours, Erin Leonhard, 40, of 367 Loop Road, Wells, Maine, was summonsed for Failure to Register Vehicle Greater than 150 Days following a traffic stop on North Berwick Road. Erin is scheduled to appear at York District Court on March 20, 2018, at 0815 hours.

On January 5, 2018, at approximately 1917 hours, John Bastille, 23, of 140 Nicholas Drive, Wells, Maine, was summonsed for Attaching False Plates following a traffic stop on Quarry Road. John is scheduled to appear at York District Court on March 20, 2018, at 0815 hours.

On January 7, 2018, at approximately 2302 hours, Thomas Busch, 30, of 750 Sanford Road, Apt. #5, Wells, Maine, was arrested for Theft by Unauthorized Taking or Transfer. Thomas was unable to post the required bail amount and was transported to York County Jail. Thomas is scheduled to appear at York Superior Court on February 9, 2018 at 0815 hours. The Wells Police Department will be seeking Grand Jury Indictment on the charges of Burglary of a Motor Vehicle *and* Unlawful Possession of a Schedule Z Drug stemming from this incident.

On January 7, 2018, at approximately 0734 hours, Sherry Parker, 51, of 504 Chapel Road, Apt. #1 Wells, Maine, was summonsed for Allowing Dog to be at Large following a citizen complaint. Sherry is scheduled to appear at York District Court on March 20, 2018, at 0815 hours.

On January 7, 2018, at approximately 0923 hours, Joshua Greenlaw, 30, of 288 Cranberry Road, Berwick, Maine, was arrested on an warrant of arrest charging Violation of a Protection Order *and* summonsed for Operating While License or Revoked. Joshua was able to post the required bail amount and was later released from Wells Police custody. Joshua is scheduled to appear at York Superior Court on January 26, 2018 at 0815 hours on the outstanding arrest warrant. Joshua is also scheduled to appear at York District Court on March 20, 2018, at 0815 hours on the charge of Operating While License Suspended or Revoked.

On January 7, 2018, at approximately 1602 hours, Jeffrey Tardie, 46, of 194 Lindsey Road, Wells, Maine, was summonsed for Allowing Dog to be at Large following a citizen complaint. Jeffrey is scheduled to appear at March 20, 2018, at 0815 hours.



**Town of Wells  
Inspections Divison  
Permit Log  
Application Date Between 1/4/2018 And 1/12/2018**

<b>Issue Date</b>	<b>Appl Date</b>	<b>Status</b>	<b>Permit #</b>	<b>Permit Type And Explanation</b>	<b>Work Description</b>	<b>Cost</b>
<b>Dist#</b>	<b>Parcel Id</b>	<b>Property Address</b>	<b>Owner Name</b>	<b>Contractor</b>		
	01/09/2018	Pending	1800013	Building Permit - Additions - Single Family	ADDING A MASTER BATH ON SEC	
	045-007-9	76 SETTLERS RETREAT RD	MOORE. SEAN C MOORE, BRIN	JOHNSON, CHARLES		\$10,000.00
	01/10/2018	Pending	1800014	Building Permit - Alterations - Single Family	REMODEL KITCHEN FROM FLOOD	
1	045-011	206 QUARRY RD	LAMBERT, TIMOTHY J	OWNER		\$27,800.00
	01/05/2018	Pickup	1800009	Building Permit - Alterations - Single Family	APPLY FIRE RATED SHEETROCK I	
1	113-A-043	82 SPICEBUSH DR	PERKINS, TIMOTHY	OWNER		\$1,600.00
	01/05/2018	Pickup	1800008	Building Permit - New Single Family, Phase 2	TWO STORY SINGLE FAMILY DWE	
1	115-169	822 OCEAN AVE	CHASE, BARRY A CHASE, RON	CHASE CONSTRUCTION, INC.		\$280,000.00
	01/09/2018	Pending	1800011	Building Permit - Alterations - Single Family	RENOVATIONS & BATHROOM TO	
1	133-005	343 SANFORD RD	GLOTTMANN, DEBORAH	GAUTHIER, REAGAN		\$6,000.00
	01/09/2018	Pickup	1800012	Building Permit - Alterations - Single Family	INTERIOR REMODEL , REPLACE (2	
	134-024-EXE	42 NOWELL ST, N. BERWICK	RAMSAY, MICHAEL	OWNER		\$50,000.00
	01/08/2018	01/08/2018	Open	20181020	Plumb Permit - New Plumbing	
	140-006-7	88 TIDEWATER WAY	DIGIOVANNI, ANTHONY DIGIO	FOWLER BREEN		\$0.00
	01/09/2018	01/09/2018	Open	20171020	ExtPl Permit - First Time System	
	056-025-5	77 TREE TOP LANE	CONRAD, ROBERT MERCURIO,	CONRAD, ROBERT		\$0.00
	01/10/2018	01/08/2018	Open	1800010	Building Permit - New Single Family, Phase 1	PHASE 1- FOUNDATION ONLY FOR
	074-002-6	COTTONWOOD CIRCLE	MOODY, RICHARD & SONS	MOODY, RICHARD & SONS CONST		\$40,000.00
	01/11/2018	01/11/2018	Open	20181020	ExtPl Permit - Engineered System	
	033-001-54	32 BIRDIE LN	EAGLE DEVELOPMENT LLC.	EAGLE DEVELOPMENT LLC		\$0.00
	01/11/2018	01/11/2018	Open	20181020	Plumb Permit - New Plumbing	
	033-001-62	27 BIRDIE LANE	EAGLE DEVELOPMENT	KAY TIMOTHY		\$0.00
<b>Number of Permits Reported:</b>			11	<b>Total Estimated Cost</b>		\$415,400.00

WELLS FIRE DEPARTMENT

WEEKLY REPORT 01/02/18 - 01/08/18

Count	Description	Count
3	Rescue & Emergency Medical Service Incident	7
	311 Medical assist - assist EMS Crew	1
	322 Motor Vehicle Accident w/injuries	1
	324 Motor Vehicle Accident w/o injuries	9
4	Hazardous Condition (No Fire)	1
	421 Chemical Hazard (no spill/leak)	1
	424 Carbon monoxide incident	2
5	Service Call	1
	500 Service call, other	1
	521 Water evacuation	1
	522 Water or Steam Leak	1
	5312 Odor Problem	2
	551 Assist police or other gov. agency	1
	553 Public Service	1
	554 Assist invalid	8
6	Good Intent Call	1
	611 Dispatched & cancelled en route	1
	61.1.1 Dispatched & cancelled on scene	1
	631 Authorized controlled burning	3
7	False Alarm & False Call	5
	733 Smoke detector activation	2
	743 Smoke detector activation, no fire	2
	745 Alarm System activation, no fire	1
	7451 System Maintenance - No FD Notificatio	10

TRAINING		
Description	Attendees	Hours
FF I/II Class	3	11.25
Ice Cold Water Rescue	6	18
General Information Train.	3	4.5
General Safety Review	3	3
		36.75

ACTIVITY		
Description	Staff Count	Total Hours
Fire At Scene	82	49.13
Fire on Standby	4	0.7
Medical At Scene	19	15.9
Medical on Standby	1	0.26
Work Detail	2	0.5
Building Inspec./Corner	2	1
Weekly/daily Vehicle Checks	25	21.84
Inspection of PPE	9	2.01
Station Coverage	4	2.86
Non-Emergency Fire Dept Incid.	8	7.74
Apparatus Bay Cleaning	2	3
Inspection Pre-Planned	4	3
Snow Removal	4	5.5



**From:** Cynthia Adamsky  
**Sent:** Monday, January 08, 2018 2:41 PM  
**To:** Stephanie Weaver  
**Subject:** Week in Review - 1/2 to 1/8/18

Meetings/Events:

- Board of Selectmen Workshop – met with Marilyn Falzone and Dave Harris for the BOS interview process and appointments to Board of Assessment Review and Harbor Advisory Committee respectively
- Spread the News Webinar (MANP) – 1/5 - importance of non-profits to the ME economy, engaging the for-profit and legislative sectors

The following tasks are in progress:

- Media/Facebook
  - posted Maine DOT Winter Car Preparedness Kit list for storm
  - posted congrats to Dr. Amy Anderson (2017 Volunteer of the Year), Sen. Ron Collins, and Julia Einstein (Historical Society of Wells & Ogunquit) for being named as York County Coast Star's 2017 Movers and Shakers
- Town website
- Miscellaneous
  - **Taste of Wells**
    - RSVP's – 6 confirmations
      - **Old Marsh Country Club, Congdon's, Hidden Cove Brewery, R&R Chocolates, 1690 Bake House, Coast 2 Coast Caterers**
    - Judges – 2 judges
      - Raina Keim (Weekly Sentinel)
      - Clark Frazier of **Mc Perkins** will be out of town but has offered the assistance of his Chef du Jour **Norman Dufour** (waiting for his confirmation)
    - Entertainment
      - Bailey Smith will be verifying availability of Wells A Cappella chorus members and get back to me when WHS is back in session
  - Wells Brew Festival – Wells Harbor Park
  - Road Rangers
  - Quarterly Brochures
    - January 2018 brochures printed and distribution in progress
  - Annual Report
    - Started to add program milestones for FY17/18 to report (HarborFest, Maine Commission for Community Service video)
  - Volunteer master spreadsheet (Excel)
    - Current Openings
      - Budget Committee – 1 alternate (resignation of Luke Guerrette)
      - Conservation Commission – 1 regular
      - Energy Advisory Committee – 4 regular

- Events Staff volunteers – ongoing availability
  - Volunteer Handbook Acknowledgements and Waivers
    - Emails sent to Karly Bergeron, Mary & David Harrison, and Marilyn Falzone with handbook attachment and request to sign/return acknowledgement & waiver
- Applications:
  - Applications/Background Checks – total applications to date: **31 (FY17/18) – 135% of goal (1.6% above 5% annual goal of 23 applications)**
    - **Daniel J. Hastie** – Wells EMA (application forwarded by FD; he’s been accepted by Chief Vetre 2018)
      - Reference check in progress
    - **Dawn Robinson** – brochure and application e-mailed
      - Opted to volunteer with Safe Haven Cat Rescue; **will** keep her on our e-mail list for possible future opportunities
    - **Taylor Morrison** - Received email requesting info on environmentally focused volunteer opportunities – emailed info on several options
      - Received email from Owen Grumbling indicating she followed up on the Conservation Commission opportunity
      - Volunteer application emailed for completion (Owen sent her one too)
    - **James Purdy** - Received signed waiver from library but he isn’t listed as a volunteer/no application on file
      - Per Devin, James is a longtime Friend of the Library who volunteers for book sales, etc. Name added to our database
    - Denise Mahoney – EMA isn’t a good fit; looking for other opportunities
    - Luke Freeman – Harbor Advisory Committee – placed on waiting list (all HAC positions filled at this time, no interest in another position)
    - Marilyn Falzone – Board of Assessment Review – confirmed 1/2/18
    - David Harrison – HAC – confirmed 1/2/18

Hours for this week:

Tuesday, 1/2 – 10:40 to 2:40, 6:35 to 7:05 (4.5 hours)

Wednesday, 1/3 – 10:50 to 2:50 (4 hours)

Thursday, 1/4 – Town Hall Closed – blizzard - (4 hours S/L)

Friday, 1/5 – 10:55 to 11:35, 12:15 to 3:35 (4 hours) – 40 minutes offsite attending Spread the News webinar hosted by MANP

Monday, 1/8 – 12:20 to 2:50 (2.5 hours)

Total: 19 Hours

***Please help us spread the word on the many volunteer opportunities available – tell your friends to visit our official town website, [www.wellstown.org](http://www.wellstown.org), or follow us on Facebook, Wells Volunteers. Word of mouth is our best advertising!***

Cindy Adamsky  
 Volunteer Program & Events Coordinator  
 Town of Wells Volunteer Force  
 208 Sanford Road  
 Wells, Maine 04090

**WELLS PUBLIC LIBRARY**  
**December 2018 MONTHLY REPORT**  
**Prepared for the January 10th Board of Trustees Meeting**

**Youth Services:**

- The Mother Goose program is for children ages 0-24 months and their caregivers. The focus is on lap activities, rhymes, songs, and fingerplays, as well as books. We presented 2 programs to 50 people.
- Toddler Time is a program for kids aged 2-5 years old and their caregivers. This program focuses on longer stories, songs and movement, all followed by a craft. We presented 4 programs to a total of 74 people.
- Our Rubik's Cube and Lego Club met 3 times and totaled 34 people.
- Our monthly Random Fandom on December 6<sup>th</sup> was focused on the holidays. We had 24 teens attend.
- We held our annual Holiday Party with a visit from Santa on December 7<sup>th</sup>. We drew a crowd of 124.
- 35 teens made mini Christmas trees using tiny pine cones at our Craft Program on December 13<sup>th</sup>.
- We made Pita Trees at the Teen Food Workshop on December 15<sup>th</sup> with 18 teens.
- Allison visited 4 different daycares and preschools a total of 6 times this month. 102 people were reached.
- We had 4 teens volunteer this month, totaling 18 hours.

**Building:**

- We closed at 3:00 on Friday, December 22<sup>nd</sup> and all day on January 4<sup>th</sup>, due to snow.
- On Thursday, December 21<sup>st</sup> the rear flag froze to the holder. When we tried to remove it the flag holder was ripped from the wall.
- Put in a PO for new door opener for the rear of the building.

**Budget:**

- Our budget committee liaison this year is Marisa Caputo.
- Our budget committee meeting is Wednesday, January 17th. It is always appreciated if the trustees can make it that evening.

**Donations:**

- Friends Supporting Wells Public Library \$3,127.50
- Misc Users \$44

**Newsletter/Promotions:**

- Spoke with rec about distribution points.

**Adult**

- French Conversation Group met 2 times in December with 13 total attendees.
- Fiber Arts Group met 5 times in December with 19 total attendees.
- Afternoon Book Group met on December 28th and had 8 attendees.
- Evening Book Group met on December 19<sup>th</sup> and had 8 attendees.
- Great Decisions did not meet in December.
- December's Lunch and Learn lecture with author and cemetery expert Roxie Zwicker had 13 attendees.
- A Holiday Open House was hosted on Tuesday, December 5th. Sadly, only 5 patrons attended. We will try a different approach to adult evening programs next December!
- The library hosted an Affordable Care Act sign-up session on December 7th. 19 individuals met with representatives from YCCAC.

- The library hosted a meditation group with guru Cindy Simon on December 13<sup>th</sup> and 4 patrons were in attendance.

### **Policy**

- Policy committee met on January 2<sup>nd</sup> to discuss Disaster Plan, Unattended Child Policy, and Meeting Room Policy. Right now I'm working on gathering more information for the committee, with hopes of presenting policies to the board in March.
- Policy committee has agreed to meeting regularly throughout the year to review policies rather than just when something needs changed.

### **New Building**

- Solar contract has been signed.
- Temporary wall going up 1/9/18 so they can work on building the doorway and transitioning to the new building.
- Brickwork is looking good.
- The town is using connectivity point to do the A/V in the room. Jon Carter is also working with Spectrum on our local cable TV studio hookups so that the A/V room will be able to work as a backup for town hall, and to stream our programs.
- Still waiting on a few more quotes from furnishings
- Plan to have it dry-walled mid to late January.
- Expected completion date is way ahead of schedule, sometime in March. It should also be under budget.
- We had one overdue pledge from 2018.
- Landscape design was donated to the library, and when a meeting is set I will invite the beautification committee to join us in our discussions.

### **Upcoming Closings**

- Martin Luther King Jr. Day on Monday, January 16<sup>th</sup>.

Respectfully submitted by  
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Quarterly Marijuana Meeting  
Thursday, November 30<sup>th</sup>  
12-1:30 pm  
Ellis Conference Room, York Hospital  
Meeting Minutes

Present: Gina Brodsky, Karen Boardman, Patty Hymanson, Lieutenant Chris Burbank, Detective Bill Vachon, Steve Eldridge, Scott Gagnon, Michelle Mason, Sally Manninen, Kaytlin Kimball, Erin Dickson

- I. Updates:
  - a. Patty Hymanson is the House Chair of the Maine Legislature's Health and Human Services Committee, responsible for bills relating to medical marijuana. 6 or so bills relating to medical marijuana will be carried over to the next session (starting in January).
  - b. Gina Brodsky-youth data for York schools appears to show a decline in use.
  - c. Lt Burbank-right now operating under de facto moratorium.
  - d. Steve Eldridge—Berwick passed recreational marijuana moratorium in November. Have seen an increase in medical marijuana facilities, are interested in recreational marijuana status.
- II. Marijuana Legalization Updates, Scott Gagnon, Smart Approaches to Marijuana-Maine
  - a. **Currently legal:** -personal possession of up to 2.5oz -home grows allowed, possession of up to 6 mature plants -gifting allowed
  - b. **Not legal:** commercial sales, subject to rulemaking.
  - c. Moratorium in place until February 2018.
  - d. **Positives in LD 1650** (vetoed by Governor in October 2017 and sustained by Legislature):
    - Opt-in language for municipalities -Elimination of internet, delivery, and drive-through sales -Plant limits on parcels (12 plants) -Language to require gathering and tracking public health data related to recreational marijuana -Moratorium on social clubs until 2019
  - e. **Public Health issues in LD 1650:** -Language only excludes those under age of 21 from undefined "restricted access areas" of dispensaries and social clubs. -Smoke free laws means social club marijuana consumption would be mostly edible and oral which hits system slower. -Co-mingling of recreational and medical is allowed -Advisory Commission has specific seats for marijuana industry but no specific seats for public health or addiction experts.

- f. **What's coming up next:** Legislators are meeting over the holidays and re-writing the vetoed bill for the next session of the Legislature starting in January. In addition, there may be an attempt to extend the state moratorium, which expires in February.
- g. Contact Scott with questions at [Scott.m.gagnon@gmail.com](mailto:Scott.m.gagnon@gmail.com)

Next meeting: Thursday, March 15<sup>th</sup> from 12-1:30 at York Hospital in the Ellis Conference Room.