

Library Director's Report

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LIBRARY and LIBRARIANS

- Due to the coronavirus the Library was closed the entire month of July.
- The librarians were surveyed in June. Of the 39 librarians on the librarian roster, 19 were willing to return to cover a reduced schedule of Monday – Saturday, 1 – 4 p.m. Two librarians would be on duty while we are open, one at the Reception Desk, the other elsewhere in the building.

SHELVING and the LIBRARY COLLECTION

- Shifting of the library collection is continuing, with the help of Steven Hoolko.
- The Book Committee (Marilyn Ayres, Chloe Sternola, and Anne Billeter) continues to meet monthly using Zoom. Both catalogers (Sharon Freeburne and Diane Brenner) have been coming in regularly during the closure, continuing progress on the books, and Julie Goodwine is coming to catalog the maps. In addition we will be cataloging and adding periodicals which were on hold for several years due to a lack of shelf space.

BOOK SALES

- Allan and Leah Cotton continue selling our surplus books on Amazon. Allan reported the net revenue for July was \$62.65. This raises a big question: The selling price was \$108.22, but the selling fee was \$45.57. Why was the selling fee so high?
- There continue to be additional surplus books. The Book Committee finished reviewing the backlog of donated books on August 5 and we receive a few additional book donations.
- We still need a volunteer willing to sell books on eBay. We have 1 box of books in that category (between 20 and 30 books.)

USE of NEW MEMBERS-ONLY LIBRARY SERVICES

- 1 member checked out 4 circulating library items in July; another checked out 3 in early August.
- 1 member took advantage of the Look Up Service in July.