

Central Maine Library District Annual Report 2014-2015

Mission Statement

“The purpose of the Central Maine Library District is to promote improved service for the constituents of its member libraries.”

CMLD District Goals

1. To increase public awareness, use, and support of Maine libraries
2. To facilitate professional development
3. To encourage resource sharing and regional cooperation
4. To foster literacy
5. To improve communication among libraries and library organizations
6. To foster improved library service

The Central Maine Library District serves Androscoggin, Franklin, Lincoln, Kennebec, Oxford, Sagadahoc, and Somerset Counties.

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News and Updates

District

CMLD has 35 librarians enrolled at various levels of the voluntary certification program. So far, they have earned 14 certificates. Back in August, Pittsfield, Hartland and Newport hosted a science fair in Pittsfield that was very well attended by citizens of the 3 towns. Richmond and Canaan opened new buildings and Carrabassett Valley celebrated 5 years in the new building there. Charles Baily in Winthrop has opened a new addition. We're happy to congratulate Betsy Pohl and her staff at the Lithgow Library on the successful bond campaign for an addition to that beautiful building. Among the questions that the consultant received this year were queries about background checks, budget policies, copyright issues, shared services, annual appeals, renovations, ILL, disabling the Internet filter, board vs librarian roles, meeting room policies and patron privacy and law enforcement. The consultant also received a couple of queries from district library patrons about library funding. We've said good bye to several librarians this year: John Clark of Hartland, Mary Farrar of Solon, Charlene Wagoner of Gardner and Barbara Stewart of Kingfield all retired. Melanie Taylor Coombs left Farmington for McArthur in Biddeford. We welcome Mauri Stockford to Farmington, Naomi Homan to South China, Julia Bouwsma to Kingfield and Megan Meyers to Solon.

Statewide

The consultants and a review committee have produced a new Trustee Handbook based on the Wisconsin model. We implemented a new system for compiling the public library annual report called LibPAS and Jenny and Stephanie conducted 4 face to face and 1 virtual training sessions on data input and the report features of this new system which are quite robust. The state library successfully submitted an IMLS Leadership Grant with Cornerstones of Science and the CMLD consultant is involved with that project which will involve 6 libraries in Maine and Massachusetts as well as input from 3 other state library agencies. The SCOOP contract will involve Maine, New Hampshire and all of Vermont when the new period begins in July, 2015. The consultants are working with counterparts in the other 2 states to put the catalog together. We sponsored a readers' advisory webinar series with Becky Spratford that concluded in early April. Statewide, there are 132 librarians enrolled in the certification program and 73 certificates have been issued. The state library was quite involved with the joint MLA/MASL conference in November and the consultant took part in presentations on LibPAS, ILEAD and the Maine Library Leadership Institute.

National

The state library is excited to be partnering with 9 other states to bring ILEAD (Innovative Libraries Explore, Apply and Discover) to Maine. We have 4 teams of awesome librarians participating and working on some exciting projects. The CMLD consultant and the Library Development Director are both involved in a national Continuing Education initiative that is designing a 4 part webinar series for new directors.

Summary of District Level Meetings, Workshop, Contacts and Programs

(Attendance is in parentheses.)

Council Meetings

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September 26, 2014 **Fall Council:** Bite Sized Marketing: Realistic Solutions for Overworked Librarians and Emergent/Family Literacy (46)

April 30, 2015 **Spring Council:** The Importance of Readers' Advisory @ Your Library and Being Innovative on a Shoestring: Really? (181)

Executive Board Meetings

June 20, 2014 Annual Executive Board Retreat -Winslow Public Library (10)

September 18, 2014 Maine State Library (11)

November 20, 2014 Meeting canceled due to snowstorm

January 15, 2015 Maine State Library (10)

March 19, 2015 Maine State Library (12)

Contacts

Library visits / Meetings 26 visits / 100 people

Phone/Email Queries 52

MEMBER LIBRARIES: 166 ~ 82 public, 60 schools, 12 academic, 12 special

Public Libraries Albion Public Library — Andover Public Library — Anson, Stewart Public Library — Auburn Public Library — Augusta, Lithgow Library — Bath, Patten Free Library — Belgrade Public Library — Bethel Library Association — Bingham Union Library — Boothbay Harbor Memorial Library — Bowdoinham Public Library — Bremen Public Library — Bristol Area Library — Buckfield, Zadoc Long Free Library — Canaan Public Library — Carrabassett Valley Library — China, Brown Memorial Library — China, South China Public Library — Clinton, Brown Memorial Library — Damariscotta, Skidompha Public Library — Detroit, Anna Field Fernald Library — Dixfield, Ludden Memorial Library — Dresden, Bridge Academy Public Library — Eustis, Stratton Public Library — Fairfield, Lawrence Public Library — Farmington Public Library — Fayette, Underwood Memorial Library — Gardiner Public Library — Georgetown, Laura E. Richards Library — Greene, Morse Memorial Library — Hallowell, Hubbard Free Library — Hartland Public Library — Jackman Public Library — Jay-Niles Memorial Library — Kingfield, Webster Free Library — Lewiston Public Library — Lisbon Library Department — Livermore Falls, Treat Memorial Library — Livermore Public Library — Lovell, Lewis Free Public Library — Madison Public Library — Mechanic Falls Public Library — Shaw Public Library, Mercer — Mexico Free Public Library — Monmouth, Cumston Public Library — Monhegan Memorial Library — Mount Vernon, Dr. Shaw Memorial Library — New Portland Community Library — New Sharon Town Library — New Vineyard Public Library — Norridgewock Free Public Library — Norway Memorial Library — Oakland Public Library — Oxford, Freeland Holmes Library — Paris, Hamlin Memorial Library — Paris Public Library — Phillips Public Library — Phippsburg, Albert F. Totman Library — Pittsfield Public Library — Poland, Ricker Memorial Library — Rangeley Public Library — Readfield Community Library — Richmond, Umberhine Public Library — Rumford Public Library — Skowhegan Public Library — Solon, Coolidge Library — South Bristol, Rutherford Library — Southport Memorial Library — Strong Public Library — Topsham Public Library — Turner Public Library — Vassalboro Public Library — Waldoboro Public Library — Waterford Library Association — Waterville Public Library — Wayne, Cary Memorial Library — Weld Public Library — West Paris Public Library — Wilton Free Public Library — Winslow Public Library — Winthrop, Bailey Public Library — Wiscasset Public Library — Woodstock, Whitman Memorial Library

School Libraries Athens – Athens Elementary School, Auburn – Auburn Middle School, Edward Little High School, Augusta – Cony High School, Farrington Elementary School, Gilbert Elementary School, Hussey Elementary School, Lincoln Elementary School, Bethel – Telstar Middle High School, Boothbay Harbor – Boothbay Region Elementary School, Buckfield – Buckfield Jr. Sr. High School, China – Erskine Academy, Damariscotta – Great Salt Bay Community School, Dexter Regional High School, Fairfield – Lawrence Junior High School, Farmingdale – Hall-Dale Middle/High School, Farmington – Cascade Brook School, Mallett School Library, Mt. Blue High School, Mt. Blue Middle School, Hallowell – Hall-Dale Elementary School, Harrison Elementary School, Hebron – Hebron Academy, Hebron Station School, Kingfield Elementary School, Lisbon School Department, Madison Area Memorial High School, Madison Elementary School, Madison Jr. High School, Mexico – Meroby Elementary School, New Sharon – Cape Cod Hill School, Norway – Guy E. Rowe Elementary School, Oakland – Messalonskee High School, Messalonskee Junior High School, Otisfield Community School, Oxford Elementary School, Phillips Elementary School, Pittsfield – Maine Central Institute, Pittston Elementary School, Readfield – Maranacook Community High School, Maranacook Community Middle School, Rumford Elementary School, Salem Township - Mt. Abram High School, Skowhegan Area High School, South Paris – Oxford Hills Comprehensive High School, Paris Elementary School, Stratton Elementary School, Strong Elementary School, Sumner – Hartford-Sumner Elementary School, Turner- Leavitt Area High School, Waldoboro- Medomak Valley High School, Waterford Memorial School, Waterville Junior and Senior High Schools, West Paris – Agnes Gray Elementary School, Wilton – Acadmeny School, W. G. Cushing School, Winslow Elementary School, Winslow High School, Winslow Jr. High, Winthrop High School, Woolwich Central School

Academic Libraries Ladd Library, Bates College, Lewiston — Hawthorne Longfellow Library, Bowdoin College, Brunswick — Central Maine Community College Library, Auburn — Bixler Art and Music Library, Colby College, Waterville — Miller Library, Colby College, Waterville — Olin Science Center Library, Colby College, Waterville — Lunder Library, Kennebec Valley Community College, Fairfield — Mariner Library, Thomas College, Waterville — Katz Library, University of Maine at Augusta — Mantor Library, University of Maine at Farmington — Darling Marine Center, University of Maine, Walpole — USM Lewiston/Auburn Library

Special Libraries Augusta – Maine Department of Transportation Library, Maine Office of Substance Abuse Information and Resource Center, Maine State Law and Legislative Reference Library, Maine State Library, Bath - Maine Maritime Museum Library, Boothbay Harbor – Bigelow Laboratory and Maine Department of Marine Resources, Georgetown Historical Society, Lewiston – Central Maine Medical Center Gerrish-True Health Science Library, Skowhegan – Margaret Chase Smith Library, Redington Fairview General Hospital Health Science Library, South Paris – McLaughlin Garden-Horticulture Library, Topsham – McTeague Higbee Law Library