Sargentville Library Association

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> Newsletter Winter 2018



Winter greetings to our Sedgwick community

At this point we are delighted to emphasize TWO BIG ACCOMPLISHMENTS on behalf of the town of Sedgwick. The first, announced in our newsletter last winter, is the digital Historical Archive, demonstrated at a Touring Through Time event last July. The product of six years of work, mainly by Pam Simmons plus a team of local folks, this archive contains 1683 pages of material. Please check it out on the Sedgwick website: www.sedgwickmaine.org/sargentville-library-historical-archive. This represents a work in progress, so notify Pam (evbo@aol.com) if you have family photos, letters, or official documents which you might like to contribute. We scan the document and you keep the original.



Our second major accomplishment is the addition of a Little Free Library on our property. Rob Starkey created and installed it last June at 653 Reach Rd. Our photos show the full view of both the "big and little" and a close-up showing the selection of books as of January. As of the summer, 2017, our LFL was one of three on the peninsula, but the number is steadily growing. We are registered as Charter #54499 attached to our LFL and are included in the network of LFLs across the US as well as in other countries. The poli-LFLs "TAKE cv BOOK...RETURN A BOOK" and the LFL is open 24/7. Please stop and take a look!

We continue to support 24/7 WIFI and maintain our historic building (completed 1905)

which is the oldest public library on the peninsula (cited in *Beautiful in All its Details: The Architechture of Maine's Public Library Buildings 1878*-1942, Kirk F. Mohney, 1997). Our faithful library crew continues to cull our collection and make significant additions to our holdings. We were proud when the *Ellsworth American* included a photo of our LFL on p. 33 of the Sedgwick section of the *2018 Overview* (02/22/2018). Cathy Marshall organizes our book group. Last summer we read and discussed the following: *A Piece of the World*, Kline, *Anchors and Flares*, Braestrup, and *The Handmaids Tale*, Atwood.

Looking forward to the summer

As part of our continuing effort to offer at least one historical presentation to the community we are excited to announce firm arrangements for a summer event. On August 8, 2018 at the Sedg-



Inside the Little Free Library, three shelves of books coming and going

wick Town House Cipperly Good, Curator/Collections Manager of the Penobscot Marine Museum, will speak on the topic: WOMEN AT SEA: Maine's Wives and Daughters Who Went To Sea.

We hope to welcome you to some Library-sponsored events in 2018.

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