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## Winter greetings to our Sedgwick community

After the 2018 summer we were thrilled with the reception of our display of photos and text relative to the Temperance Society in Sedgwick in the 1850's. So in July of 2019 we assembled another display of photos and memorabilia of the Maine Lake Ice Works which thrived from 1899-1916. This "show" in our library was part of the Touring Through Time week-end, open on both Saturday and Sunday. Over two days we hosted 35 people. Our ability to cull the photos from our historical archive and prepare the poster boards was due to the hard work of Pam Simmons, and David Simmons oversaw the outdoor display of artifacts.



**Figure 1: View from Caterpillar Hill showing Walkers Pond in the foreground, ice warehouses and the Reach beyond.**



**Figure 2: Ice docks on Walkers Pond**



**Figure 3: Ice blocks moving from the pond to the storehouses.**

During the summer we were able to be open for two hours on Saturdays and two hours on Wednesdays thanks to the commitment of Kay Grover and Jan Anderson with their able assistant, Rebecca Peck. Cathy Marshall again organized our book group focusing on EDUCATED by Tara Westover and HILL-BILLY ELEGY by J.D. Vance. Both books elicited great discussions.



**Figure 2: This photo shows some of the intriguing books in our library.**

publicize the work of Barbara Grindle and Pam Simmons in bringing online the information dealing with Sedgwick’s cemeteries and the Marriage records. Watch local news organizations for updates on these additions to the Sedgwick digital scene.

We hope to welcome you to some Library-sponsored events in 2020.

**Library Association Officials:**

- President Diana Marston Wood
- Vice Pres. Robert Starkey
- Secretary Cathy Marshall
- Treasurer Emily Webb
- Trustees Kay Grover
- Jan Anderson
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- Pam Simmons, Chair, Archive Committee
- Librarian Kay Grover

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This fall we completed painting and repairs especially on the front of our 1904 building. During the winter of 2019 we completed the paperwork to move our Fidelity Investments account into the hands of our “authorized individual”, Eleanor Hoagland.

**Tribute to Linda Long.** Our second “authorized individual” for the Fidelity Investments account was Linda Long. Unfortunately, we lost her in the Fall of 2019. I personally can say that I will miss her cookies, consistent reliability, willingness to contribute her business know-how, her wry sense of humor, and her availability as a SLA board member for one-on-one discussions about the future of the library and the Sedgwick community in general.

This summer we are working on two events, participation again in the TTT week-end in July and Sedgwick’s celebration of the State of Maine bicentennial. These events will



**Figure 3: Ice storehouses above the punch bowl overlooking the Reach.**