

M.N. Spear Memorial Library
10 Cooleyville Road
Shutesbury, MA 01072
Mary Anne Antonellis, Director
Director Report

February 21, 2020

Shutesbury Cultural Council Grants to support library programming in 2020.

\$300.00 to support the following: **Line Dance**

\$350.00 to support the following: **North American Birds of Prey**

\$200.00 to support the following: **Fire Cider Workshop**

\$500.00 to support the following: **Halloween Shutesbury**

\$500.00 to support the following: **Pop Up Playground**

\$500.00 to support the following: **Gentle Yoga**

\$600.00 to support the following: **Ukulele Strum-Along**

Total: \$2,950

New Public Computers

On Monday, February 17th, two new public computers were installed.

Libraries in the Woods – 24 Town Community Read Braiding Sweetgrass by Robin Wall Kimmerer. Related programming in Shutesbury

Bark Basket Making Workshop with Jennifer Lee

Sunday, March 15th

This workshop is full

A visit with Larry Spotted Crow Mann

Tuesday, March 24th, 7 pm

Award Winning Writer -Poet-Native American Cultural Educator-Traditional Story Teller -

Tribal Drummer/Dancer - Motivational Speaker -Consultant on Indigenous Pedagogy.

Mr. Mann will be discussing Nipmuc history and cultural-political issues.

Tree Medicine Plant Walk with Jade Alicandro Mace of Milk & Honey Herbs.

Saturday, April 18th, 11:30 am

Friends of the Library News

Election Day Bake Sale and Shutesbury Store, Tuesday, March 3rd, 7 am – 7pm.

Donations of baked goods and volunteers needed.

Free Comfort Food Dinner

Friday, April 17th, 6 pm, Shutesbury Athletic Club

In the past, many of the Trustees have contributed a main dish or a dessert for this event.

Library Giving Day is planned for Thursday, April 23rd.

Coming up in the spring

Spring Spruce-Ups

A tag sale – end of May or early June

Community Connections

On February 7th, The Whalemobile visited Shutesbury Elementary School. All students attended an assembly about Whales and watched as Cynde McGinnes inflated her life-sized inflatable humpback whale model. Throughout the day, each class got to go inside the whale to learn even more about these amazing animals. The program was a collaboration between the Library and April Cannon, third grade teacher. The Library funded the program with a grant from The New Salem Academy.

Meetings

Statewide

Legislative Breakfast, Friday, February 21st, Leverett Library.

Census training, Monday, February 24th, MLS office in Northampton

Performer showcase, Friday, February 28th, Leominster Library

Shutesbury

Council on Aging, Wednesday, March 11th