



**Diane Giarrusso, Library Director**

## Director's Report

**To: Board of Library Trustees**

**From: Diane Giarrusso**

**Date: January 10, 2023**

### Facilities:

- I changed our plans regarding keeping parts of the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor open during recarpeting project. Logistically, there was no easy way for us to prepare and reset each area separately during the project. We are preparing the floor on Sunday, January 8 and will keep the floor closed to the public until the 18<sup>th</sup>. As we did with areas on the 1<sup>st</sup> floor, we will attempt to get materials patrons request from the stacks each afternoon. Complete information about the project is on the library's website.
- A variety of maintenance tasks were completed and, in the process, a couple of small repairs are needed for the boiler and HVAC. Otherwise, the systems are working well.
- The Council on Aging custodian is working with Mr. Fiumara and Mr. Bomal to snow blow our sidewalks, and other areas, during snow events. Until Mr. Fiumara's surgery, it will be difficult for him to do this task. We appreciate the support from the COA.

### Services:

- At their December meeting, the Friends of the Library approved the program budget requests submitted by our librarians. We are deeply appreciative of the Friends for their generosity.
- Thanks to Ms. Goolishian we are again hosting an adult reading challenge. The 2023 Adult Reading Challenge offers 2 ways to participate and each time you read 20 books you earn a ticket to win one of four gift cards donated by lala books in Lowell. Thank you to lala books for their generosity!
- What was our most circulated book in 2022? I don't know, but you can guess along with us through January 20. The winner will win a prize pack donated by Wamesit Lanes. We appreciate their support of this fun contest.
- Art on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor is going well. This month and next, the Tewksbury Community of Artists is displaying their work on both floors! Visitors have enjoyed seeing more art in the building.
- I will prepare the library annual report in January and email a copy to you when completed.

Respectfully submitted, Diane H.C. Giarrusso & Nicole Goolishian