Story Time
Preschool Story Time – 8 sessions – Adults 45, Children 52
Books and Babies – 4 sessions – Adults 35, Children 37

Botanical Garden – no usages
Children’s Museum Pass – 3 usages
Dundee Park Pass – closed for the season
Maine State Park Pass – no usages
Maine Wildlife Park Pass – closed for season
Planetarium Pass – 1 usage
Willowbrook Museum Pass – closed for season

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Tea for You @ the Library on March 6 was a celebration of 100 year events taking place in 2012. Thirteen logos were put on a handout with the recipes for Pecan Kisses and Potato Chocolate Cake on the back which were made and served. The recipes came from Standard Paper Bag Cookery, a book published in 1912. However, our goodies were not cooked in paper bags. Grapes, cheese (tomato basil, pepper jack, and cheddar), two types of crackers, and cups of mini-Oreos were served. We had at least 37 folks attend, including Mamie Ney, our Southern Maine Library District consultant.

Mrs. Pelletier’s Windham Primary School second grade completed their Junior Achievement program on March 5. Mrs. Hamilton’s class had two sessions of JA. This year four second grade classes will have completed the JA program Our Community with Mrs. Parker before April vacation.

Four school visits were made during the month. On Friday, March 2 Mrs. Nickerson’s fourth grade class at Manchester School shared their thoughts on important women in history. A selection of books was left in the classroom for further study. A Family Spring Math/Literacy Event was held at Windham Primary School on Wednesday, March 14. I was pleased to be one of their “mystery readers” and shared Melissa Sweet’s Balloons Over Broadway with the families who dropped in. The Little Log Cabin Montessori School enjoyed books about the weather and one that told about the wackiest White House pets on Thursday, March 15. Mrs. Whidden’s second grade class was able to experience our selection of Braille books as part of their study of Helen Keller on Friday, March 16.

Southern Maine Library District Children and Young Adult Book Review was held at Portland Public Library on Wednesday, March 14.

The Women’s Fellowship at Windham Hill United Church of Christ was the first group to see a presentation about our monarch butterfly program on Wednesday, March 21. A power point presentation, handouts, and the equipment used were shared. This program is available to travel to local civic groups. Contact Mrs. Parker at the library (207-892-1908 or ltparker@windham.lib.me.us) if you are interested.

The New England Round Table of Children’s Librarians sponsored a conference on Beginner Readers in Worcester, Massachusetts on Friday, March 23. It was a great program with many good presenters. The chairperson of the 2011 Geisel Committee explained the process of choosing the award winner and honorees (best beginner reader books). The picture above was sent to the committee members by Mo Willems for the recognition of his work.