Mission, Success, Measurement
One way that the library defines success at our mission is by collaborating with community partners. This month’s activities toward meeting this part of our mission included attending open houses at Manchester School, Windham Middle School and Windham High School. Library staff members brought information and registered open house attendees for library cards. In addition, the library is hosting the Be The Influence Coalition forum October 27th at 6:30pm. The library is represented on the coalition team and has been involved in helping to plan the community discussion Rx Drug Abuse and Heroin: What Our Community Can Do to Prevent it. The library also is working on an ongoing basis with the Parks and Recreation Department. This month the Rec staff was very helpful by allowing the library to borrow some outdoor rec equipment. The number of students that visit the library has grown this year and we are pleased to offer them some activities to keep them busy when they visit.

By partnering with other community organizations we are expanding our reach in the community and both helping the library as well as other organizations with similar missions.

What’s going on?
September is library card sign up month. As community members begin to turn their thinking back toward school activities, it is a great time to remember that your library card is the most important card in your wallet. Library staff members were out in the community promoting library services as some of the local school open houses and visiting daycare and other housing facilities. We also promoted our online catalog through tutorials of Minerva. We are always happy to answer questions about our services and show patrons how valuable they are and easy to use.

The Children’s Room staff successfully released almost 30 butterflies this year thanks to the dedication of Jeanne Thurber, our butterfly mom. Special thanks to Jeanne and Diana Currier this year for tagging, tending, and releasing during Mrs. Parker’s vacation. Of special note is that we had one albino monarch and one of our families had two albinos. In the 8 years that we have been doing the project they were the first ones that we had recorded.

Tea was held on September 15 honoring the long reign of Queen Elizabeth II with Victoria Sponge being served. About 35 folks enjoyed grapes, crackers, and cheese as well.

Visits to classes this month included Little Log Cabin Montessori School, three Windham Primary School kindergarten classes coming to the library, and book sharing with Sabrina Nickerson’s fifth grade class.

On Thursday, September 17 Laurel Parker represented the library at the Manchester School Open House. It was a great time to share information about the library and several families left with new library cards in their pockets.
Upcoming Events:
Teen Read Week-October 18-24- Several programs for teens planned, check the calendar FMI
Family Storytime-Saturdays 10/3,10/10,10/17,10/24,10/31,11/7,11/14- 10:30-11:15
Fire Prevention Week-Fire Truck visits 10/5 and 10/8 11am
Saturday Family Movie Time-October 17th 1pm-The Indian in the Cupboard
Halloween Adventure-Friday, October 23rd 7-8 at Manchester School
Family Literacy Fun Day-Saturday November 7th 10-1 at Windham Primary School
Books and Babies-Tuesdays 10:15
Preschool Story Tim-Mondays and Thursdays 10:30am
Tea For You @The Library-Tuesday, October 27th 1:30-2:30
Movie Time-October 22nd 1pm-Spare Parts
Fiction Writing Group- October 13th 6pm
Knitting Group- Afternoon Group-Every Tuesday 1pm, Evening Group-October 8th 5:30pm
Book Group-October 27th 6:15pm-The Maine Woods
Monthly Genealogy Workshop-October 9th 1pm

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<td>Library Tea: 35</td>
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Story Time
Preschool Story Time—5 sessions,
34 Adults, 50 Children
Books and Babies—5 sessions,
53 Adults, 62 Children

Pass usage
Children’s Museum – 4 uses
Dundee Park – 2 uses
Maine State Park Pass – 4 uses (10 Days)
Maine Wildlife Park – 5 uses
Planetarium – 1 use
Willowbrook – no use
Tate House- no use
PASS USAGE SAVED PATRONS $403