## A note from the **Director**:

The Springvale Public Library prides itself on being a friendly and welcoming space dedicated to serving our community through books, activities, and programs that enrich and engage. Over the past year, we offered more than 390 programs, drawing 10,672 attendees. From Stone Walls of Northern New England to story times, STEM programs, book clubs, fiber arts groups, chair yoga, and crafts for kids and adults—we truly have something for everyone.

We listened when you asked for more evening and weekend options, and we responded with a brand-new music series: Music After Hours. More than 300 people attended three concerts. enjoying swing music from Ragtime Destroyers and lively performances by local artist Ryan Geary. It was such a hit, we're bringing it back next year.

We're fortunate to have an outdoor space that allows us to host events like Balloons and Bubbles, Mermaid Storytime, the Teddy Bear Picnic, and Music on the Patio. Many of you joined us for our Friday summer lunchtime concert series, presented in collaboration with the Chamber of Commerce.

Collaboration is the lifeblood of our connection to the community. Thanks to a grant from the Nasson Alumni Association, we partnered with Goodall Library to bring a New York Times bestselling author to the Little Theatre for an amazing program. Bowdini's donated ice cream, Liz from Hammer & Stain led a painting program, and representatives from the Southern Maine Agency on Aging and Hospice of Maine gave presentations. Our partnership with the LeClair Foundation helped us recycle over 5,000 pounds of e-waste—serving more than 300 participants.

A library is not a library without its heart books. We added 2,985 new titles last year. Because our budget and space are limited, we did 4,834 interlibrary loans on your behalf. Whatever you want to read, we'll find it for you. Not sure what you're looking for? My amazing staff will recommend something you'll love.

We work hard—one program at a time, one book at a time—to enrich lives, create opportunities, and connect neighbors.

Warmest Regards, Lesley Unger Library Director









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Although we are partially funded by the City of Sanford we rely on our community fundraisers, such as this one, to help to carry out our work. We are, as always, deeply grateful to receive your help. Thank you for being our

Library Champions!

## BY THE NUMBERS

Items Circulated	39,901
Interlibrary Loan Transactions	4,834
Total Value	\$1,122,225



Library Programs	<b>391</b> ↑ 12.68% L
Program Attendees	10,672 ↑21.47% L
Library of Things Circulation	247
Meeting Room Uses	206
Wireless Sessions	5,265

## How You Can Help the Springvale Library

If you would like to donate to our annual appeal and help support things like new books, library programs, and interlibrary loans, please either scan the QR code above, send in the enclosed envelope, or visit our website and click on the Donate button.

Thank you.



At Springvale Public Library, you can borrow more than just books. Our Library of Things lets you check out everything from a power washer to yard games, snowshoes, and birding backpacks. Why buy when you can borrow? One item we do hope you'll keep comes from our Spice Library. With 48 spices to choose from, you can try before you buy. Each month, Sam shares a recipe that highlights a unique spice or two.

