

The Forest Lodge Library
Report to TON – 10/8/2019

- On the morning of Sept. 17th the Cable Pre-School kids paid a visit to the library. They were a wonderful and wild bunch! Once they got done fighting over hand puppets and jockeying for seating position they were a rapt audience for a couple of stories. It is SO FUN to read to the kids and we don't know much of anything more heart-warming than hearing them say, "MORE!"
- We had 13 people show up on Thursday, 9/26 for Sarah Boles' screening of the documentary *Capturing Grace* about the partnership between a group of modern dancers in NYNY and a group of Parkinson's patients. Sarah does hope to find enough people interested in this or some other dance/movement class to get such a class started in our area. It is thought to be of service for anyone who may be experiencing limited mobility.
- The Town of Cable Plan Commission offered a "listening session" on Tuesday, Oct. 1 as a follow up to the Cable Tomorrow Visioning Sessions that took place in 2017. Director Lendved who is also a Town of Cable Plan Commissioner set up the architectural renderings of our proposed Facility Expansion Project. Many Board Trustees also attended. All were open to hearing input from those in attendance. We heard concerns about the size of the project as well as about the "front" and "back" issues. We did have on hand a Space Needs assessment prepared for us by our Library System Director assessing projected space needs 20 years into the future. This document supports the proposed size of the facility. (copy attached.) We explained that rather than thinking of front and back we're thinking of "north entrance" and "County M entrance." We are hearing that the County M entrance could look more welcoming that it does. We will surely consider this when we get closer to working on the next amendment to the proposal. We also heard many positive things, like, "this is just what Cable needs!" regarding the tech, business and work opportunities our proposed facility will allow for. We have heard from a few people that we should consider a different location for the Expansion Facility; specifically, the Old School site. Strategies to address these stated concerns will be discussed at our Board meeting on 10/9.
- Upcoming on Halloween night is the 2nd Annual "Trunk or Treat" in downtown Cable. The library will remain open during Trick or Treating identified hours; through 7:00 and will function as an alternate location in the event of inclement weather and people preferring NOT to stand outside next to their open trunks with candy to dispense. Last year was a blast, we look forward to this event.
- Thanks, as always, to our communities for their support. Hope to see you at the library!