

# **Community Services FY19 First Quarter Report**

## **Templeton Community Television**

During the first quarter of FY19, the Cable department worked on the following:

- Regular meeting coverage
- Worked with Community Services Director
- Created new look for slide show of noticed between programs
- Regular posting of event notices, refreshed slides
- Created new look for TCTV YouTube Channel
- Created new trailers and TCTV logos
- Refreshed program schedule
- Established new guidelines for slides, recording requests and programming
- Posted TCTV mission and vision statements
- Met with potential committee members
- Met with other committees
- Tested and employed new equipment
- Recruited volunteers
- Researched and produced FY19 budget for supplemental appropriation
- Trained high school interns and provides oversight
- Prepared and submitted TCTV Business Plan to Board of Selectmen, with 5-Year Capital Plan
- Attended Media Resource Expo/Scholastic Media Assn. conference
- Researched potential new broadcast server (FY20 capital plan expense)
- Recorded several community events and produced video on:
  - Declaration of Independence reading
  - Mac & Cheese Fest
  - Go Fly a Kite festival
  - Arts & Crafts Fair
  - NRHS Reunions at Historical Society
  - Motorpalooza
  - Concerts

## **Council on Aging**

During the summer we held BBQ's to promote getting outdoors and moving. Stats have proven the more you move the clearer the mind. We coordinated with the VSO for a BBQ that honored the veterans in town. We have wonderful relationships with PD, FD, VSO, Developmental Services and our local ASAP agency (Montachusett Home Care). We have a monthly "triad

meeting” with representatives from all of the above departments to work together on issues in the community. It has taken as long as a year to make headway in some cases. In September we sponsored a flu clinic with several seniors and employees taking advantage of the service. We have started Zumba in an effort to reach out to the baby boomers. We have 3 evening activities Zumba, Book Club, and Card Bingo. In the last quarter we interacted with 261 different seniors, be it transportation, MOW, services, activities, fitness, health screenings, recreation/socialization, special event meals, and much more. Our SHINE volunteer is available on Thursdays, and takes appointments from 8am to 2pm along with returning phone calls about SHINE related issues. Our volunteer group donated 254.25 hours translating to \$2,797.

## **Templeton Cultural Council**

This summer, the Templeton Cultural Council continued its efforts to support and promote cultural activities in town by actively participating in community programs. Among the programs for which the TCC provided funds through Massachusetts Cultural Council grants and town appropriations were the annual Arts & Crafts Festival and the historical society's Kite Festival. Cultural Council members took an active role at those events and at the Mac n Cheese Festival, setting up a booth and providing hands-on activities for attendees.

At the Mac n Cheese Festival, Council members worked with children and parents to create Superhero costume accessories such as shields and wristbands. At the Kite Festival, Council members invited children to create airplanes and windsocks. At the Arts & Crafts Fair, Council members offered hands-on demonstrations of music-making with steel drums, in conjunction with the performance of the Tropical Sensations band. Each of these events also offered the members an opportunity to explain the role of the Cultural Council to visitors and collect responses for the state-required community input survey.

## **Boynton Public Library**

Our Summer Reading Program events kicked off with a program held in conjunction with MOC, and also included:

- Pizza & board game nights
- Teddy Bear picnic
- Ice cream sundae party
- Fun reading incentives

The first of 3 reports to the Board of Library Commissioners (a requirement of certification) was completed and submitted,

The circulation desk computers, scanners and printers were installed, bringing us one step closer to fully circulating on CWMars

A review of the entire collection took place, as well as discarding for the annual book sale, which was held in August.

Carter and I taped Talk of the Town

Story Hour began with 2 large groups on Wednesdays and Thursdays