

- **Statistics (2018):**
 - Circulation: 24,887
 - Computer Use: 165
 - Visits: 1260
 - Reference: 1,235
- **Programming highlights:**
 - **Summer programming was well attended**
 - Science Fun week, a mix of outside programmers and library programs, was once again very popular
 - The SPCA and Beaver Meadow brought a variety of animals
 - Tifft Farm turned our young patrons into “nature detectives”
 - The Botanical Gardens helped patrons to make their own terrariums
 - Children designed and tested parachutes (for Lego figures) using a variety of materials
 - Other summer programming highlights included a magic and juggling show, a Bubble-themed concert, a Pete the Cat storytime, and homemade puffy paint projects
 - Independent reading program was successful
 - The Pink Cow once again donated free cone coupons for everyone who completed the program
 - Our events coordinator donated three prizes to be raffled off to program participants
 - **Regular programming continued all year long:**
 - Lego Club (3rd Tuesday)
 - Science Fun (4th Thursday)
 - Story Time and craft (alternate Saturdays)
 - Book a Tech Trainer (monthly)
 - Chess Club and Board Game Night (1st and 3rd Thursdays)
 - Share a Story with (therapy dog) Sadie (last Saturday of each month)

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- **Children's room re-organization**
 - Children's paperbacks and audiobooks were moved to new display units
 - Paperback collection was expanded with new purchases
 - Award books were moved to a new location, and fiction and non-fiction books were shifted to better utilize the space—more changes to come
- **Funding sources:**
 - **Town of Alden**
 - **Senator Patrick Gallivan**
 - **The Cotton Fund**
- **The Alden Ewell Free Library's Association Website and Newsletter**
 - Website is at **www.aldenewellfreelibrary.com**; has an up-to-date calendar, programming information, volunteer opportunities, Board information, and more
 - Newsletter, new for 2018, is sent monthly to all members who have shared their email addresses and available in the library and on the website
- **Current Library Trustees:**
 - Susan Sabers Chapman, President
 - William Chapman, Vice President
 - Joy Insinna, Treasurer
 - Tanya Lords-Quinn, Secretary
 - Renee Nelson, Trustee

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