

**Librarian's Report
Freedom Public Library
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The Winter Film Series is off to a great start with 35 people attending the kickoff on January 8. There were only two chairs left. I hesitate to publicize the series much more for fear we will be turning folks away. However, the Conway Daily Sun contacted me about including this Sunday's film in their daily email blast called "4 Things to Do Today." Attendance may be lower than last time because there's a big football game and the movie is a foreign film, so I decided to take her up on it. Ordinarily it costs \$25 to be included in this marketing email but we get this one free. Now all I need is people to step up to make soup!

It's exciting that there are events for teens coming up. Chris has five kids taking part in his Dungeons & Dragons campaign and other students can still join in this Saturday. He is also holding our first teen night in the school year this Friday which will be similar to what we do with them in the summer – an activity followed by pizza and a movie. We shall see whether teens show up!

Our monthly event for elementary-aged kids continues to be almost too successful. I sent home a note to parents last time encouraging them to have a conversation with their children about proper behavior at the library. It's really not that the kids are bad, but there are so many of them in a small space. Chris lead an activity upstairs in the children's room with the Snap Circuits we borrowed from the State Library (electronics kits to give kids hands-on experience with electrical circuits) and a volunteer and I led a craft activity downstairs. I must admit I did not notice any marked improvement in behavior but we pulled it off and everyone seemed happy. We had 21 kids for the afterschool part and 26 kids and 12 adults for Pizza & Movie.

We are receiving the donated telescope today. The NH Astronomical Society would like someone from the library come to a presentation at the planetarium in Concord and got out to dinner (their treat) with the meeting's speaker on Friday, February 10. I am hoping that one of the trustees will be able to do this as that is our next Pizza & Movie night.

Sincerely,

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