



July 1, 2022 - June 30, 2023

WEST FALMOUTH LIBRARY

ANNUAL REPORT

The Library received grants from the following for fiscal year 2023:

1772 Foundation and Preservation Massachusetts: a Massachusetts Preservation Matching Grant to restore gutters

Cape Cod 5 Cent Savings Bank: June Garden Party

Cultural Facilities Fund of the Massachusetts Cultural Council: A matching capital grant to replace three HVAC units.

Falmouth Cultural Council: Buttonwood Zoomobile, three programs

Martha's Vineyard Savings Bank: Professor Bugman's Arthropod Petting Zoo

Library Hours

Sunday, Monday: Closed

Tuesday: 10am-5pm

Wednesday: 10am-5pm

Thursday: 2pm-8pm

Friday: 10am-5pm

Saturday: 10am-1pm



**Library Staff from left to right -
Wendy Wilkerson, Angie Celia, Susan Speer,
Suzy Bergmann, Susan Carliss
Not pictured: Pam Stokes**

THANK YOU!

The Board of Directors would like to
express its profound gratitude
to our staff.

Day in and day out they work
tirelessly to provide each patron with
a satisfying experience.

They are the heart and soul of
The West Falmouth Library!

Staff

Suzy Bergmann - Community Programs, Events and Outreach

Susan Carliss - Acquisitions & Circulation

Angela Celia - Children's Programs and Circulation

Lee Cornelison - Website

Susan Speer - Circulation

Pam Stokes - Cataloging and Circulation

Carrie Tobey - Publicity

Wendy Wilkerson - Operations and Circulation



Story Time with Miss Angie!

The Year in Review

2023 has been a very busy year at The West Falmouth Library! Our incredible staff continues to provide patrons with a first-class library experience, always going above and beyond what is asked or expected of them. An increase in circulation numbers verifies that our patrons continue to value the Library's core mission. Notably, our programming has also increased both in the numbers of programs, as well as the breadth of subjects and experiences.

Our wine tasting evenings have been very successful and perhaps epitomize many of the elements that make The West Falmouth Library the gem that it is. Those elements are the gracious volunteerism of our knowledgeable sommelier Stephen Bodell, the lovely setting of our Community room and garden, as well as a vibrant community coming out to have a great evening and support the Library!

Our partnerships with CLOC and Falmouth Jazz have provided patrons with wonderful opportunities to enjoy world class music right in our own backyard!

The Library continues to provide a comfortable setting for our Mahjong and Bridge players, as well as the Seaside Knitters. Our Children's Librarian helps our younger patrons learn to engage with language through stories, songs and activities.

The outstanding work of the volunteers of our dedicated book-sorting group has resulted in a great used book sale, as well as an ongoing book sale carved into a cozy corner of the lower level of the library. All proceeds, of course, go to support the Library.

Our Library community came out in full force this year to celebrate the beginning of the summer season at our annual Garden Party. Jane's Garden looked beautiful thanks to our hard-working garden committee. The weather cooperated, we toasted the memory of our former board chair, Carlyn Ellms, and enjoyed a glorious evening!

Our Board has been blessed by the addition of two wonderful new members: Sarah Adams and Charles Roussel. They have each brought new perspectives as well as great energy and unique skill sets to our day-to-day operations. As we go forward, their skills, energy, and vision will be critical as we work on our Long-Term Strategic Plan. Carolyn Doyle, who has been a valued Board member since 2012 will be stepping off the Board. Her signature graciousness and attention to detail will be sorely missed.

As the Library continues its 126-year tradition of being a natural gathering place in our community, the Board of Directors finds itself wrestling with very serious fiscal challenges. It is clear that, while the Library has never experienced more people enjoying the Library and all that it offers, the cost of keeping our doors open has increased beyond what our present revenue streams can sustainably support.

We have always used a draw from our endowment as one source of revenue to support our operations. Over the last two years, our draw has increased beyond the acceptable and sustainable rate of approximately 5%. To help rectify this--and to put the Library on a better financial footing--The Board of Directors unanimously voted to embark on a Capital Campaign to enhance our endowment by \$1.1 million. All donations to this Campaign, as well as assistance from patrons to work on the campaign, are deeply appreciated. The Board views this Campaign as critical to ensuring that the Library continues to be here for the next generation of patrons.

Onward,
Kathleen Bryson, President
Board of Directors

Treasurer's Report Overview

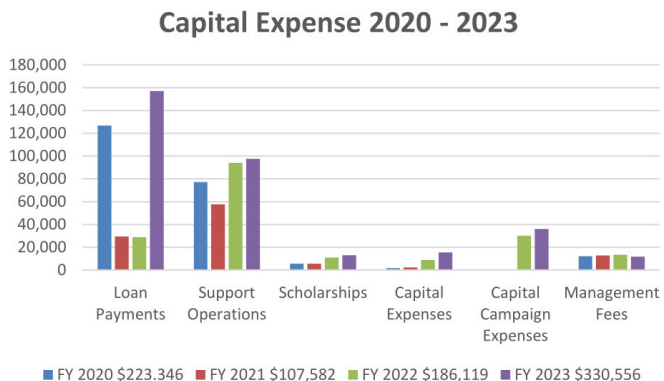
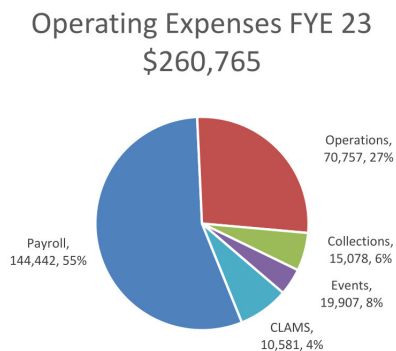
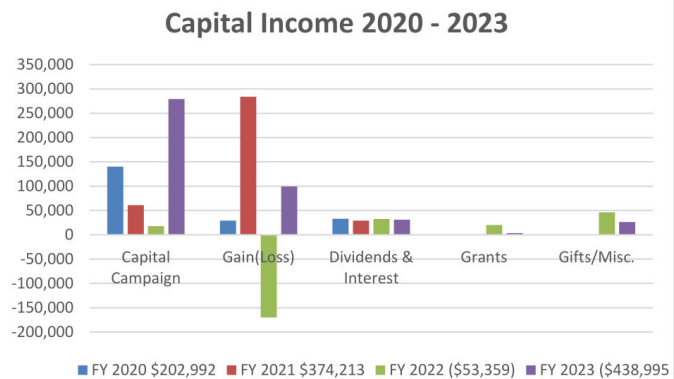
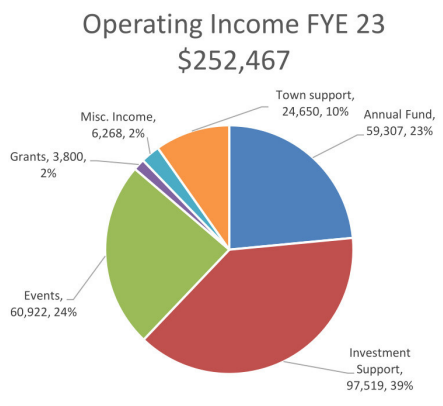
Our income for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2023 was less than budgeted, due to missing our target for the Annual Appeal. For the second year in a row, we had to draw down more than a prudent 5% from our investment account; the draw rate was 6.8%. We came in under budget on expenses, with belt tightening in most categories. The June Garden Party was a terrific success, and big boost to our bottom line. A great deal of what happens at the library is done by volunteers. Without the time and labor of our volunteers, we would not be able to continue our level of services. For example, Chapoquoit Landscaping mows our lawn as a great in-kind donation. The volunteer book sort group works hard all year long preparing for our annual book sale. We are very grateful for all our volunteers, and welcome anyone who would like to join.

Investment Committee Report

After large losses in the market last fiscal year, it was nice to net 8.6% overall in our capital/investment account for this fiscal 2023. The Investment Committee meets with our investment advisors at Cape Cod Five to review performance against the benchmarks and adherence to the asset allocation guidelines, both of which are within acceptable ranges set by our Investment Policy. We had \$1,389,715 in capital invested assets at the beginning of the year, and \$1,497,973 as of June 30, 2023.

We voted to pay off our outstanding mortgage due to rising interest rates. The total paid was \$156,962, including interest.

A draw on investments of more than 5% is not sustainable. The Board has been working hard to increase our capital. Almost \$300,000 was raised this year, but to return to a prudent draw, we need much greater amounts of invested capital. Donations to the capital investment funds are encouraged and gratefully received. We also encourage our great supporters to remember the library in your will.



Thank You to the \$1.1 Million Endowment Campaign "Funding Our Future" Donors to Date (as of 8-20-23)

The West Falmouth Library's Board of Directors would like to thank the donors, individuals and foundations, for their generous gifts. We have raised \$445,845 (40%) to date toward the endowment campaign, which is critical to the future of our Library.

If you have not given to date, please donate to help us preserve our community treasure.

If you would like to receive more information about the campaign, or if you have any questions, please don't hesitate to get in touch with Kathy Bryson at bryson.kathleen@gmail.com or (617) 331-4352.

To honor and recognize the generosity of our donors, those giving at or above the \$1,000 level over a three-year pledge period will be recognized on a donor wall in the Library.

**Donors in bold have given at
or above the \$1000 level.**

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A lovely time was had at the
June 2023 Garden party



The Library at night
during a wedding reception

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Meeting Cali the Triton Cockatoo at
 Amazing Animal Ambassadors



Getting up close with a tarantula at
 Amazing Animal Ambassadors

Support West Falmouth Library

West Falmouth Library is an independent, non-profit library, and continues to be an essential and integral part of the community, thanks to those who support the Library in so many ways. The Library's budget relies on fundraising events, the annual fund, grants and the endowment fund to provide financial support for continued operation. We are grateful to all who contribute each year to keep the Library functioning as a vibrant community resource.

WAYS TO GIVE TO THE WEST FALMOUTH LIBRARY

The West Falmouth Library is a 501 (c)(3) charitable organization and will provide a receipt allowing you to claim a tax deduction as allowed by law. Gifts of any size are appreciated and the following describes the wide range of giving options available. Gifts may be made in honor or in memory of someone special to you. Please note that the fiscal year runs July 1 through June 30. We are grateful to all who contribute each year.

Online Giving - Make a gift online by visiting westfalmouthlibrary.org and clicking the "Support the Library" tab on the homepage.

Check - Please make your check payable to West Falmouth Library and mail to: West Falmouth Library, PO Box 1209, West Falmouth, MA 02574

Corporate Matching Gifts - Many companies have matching gift programs that enhance a charitable gift made by an employee.

Individual Retirement Account - Make a charitable contribution directly from your IRA to the West Falmouth Library to take advantage of tax benefits and support the Library.

Estate Plans - The Development Committee can assist those who wish to include the Library in their estate plans or make gifts of stock. These gifts can help sustain the Library operations for future generations. Please email westfalmouthlibrary@gmail.com or call the Library at (508) 548-4709 .



A little elephant spotted at the 2022 Halloween Party.



Another satisfied patron at the 2023 Annual Book Sale



Easter fun at the Library!

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Perfect night to dance and listen to
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Writer and performer Sheryl Faye
 portrayed the legendary RBG in
 March 2023



One of our popular wine tasting
 classes led by sommelier Steve Bodell



"Hats by Elsie"
 Fine millinery by Elsie Rebello on
 display at the Library in Spring 2023

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Installing the new Library sign. Thank you
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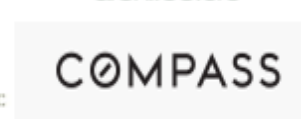
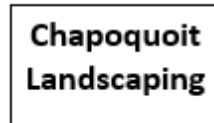
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**Thank you to the
following volunteers who graciously
opened their gardens for the 2023
Library Garden Tour, part of the Cape
Cod Hydrangea Festival:**

Mary and Charlotte Harris
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Claire Lund
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Charles McCaffrey



From the lovely garden of
Mary and Charlotte Harris, part of the
2023 Library Garden Tour



Decorating the Library for the
Winter Holidays



2023 Library Scholarship Recipients



**Emily Allen (L)
and Abigail Clough (R)**

Emily Allen - The Colonial Scholarship

Emily Allen is the recipient of our 2023 Colonial Scholarship. She is a recent graduate of Falmouth High School. Her transcript has a definite theme which begins and ends with the letter A!

Emily delivered a Ted style Talk on The Power of Being Ordinary. It is a talk aimed at her fellow seniors at this critical moment of their lives. Rejecting the negative connotation of ordinary, Emily encourages her class mates to appreciate the wonder and marvel of an ordinary life, by calling on them to use their strength to redefine success. She urges them to seek a quieter, happier life characterized by personal growth, close relationships, community involvement and physical health.

According to Emily's counselors, she is that perfect blend of "relentless determination to succeed, great intellectual capacity and shy soft-spokenness."

We are confident of Emily's future success based on her impressive level of achievement thus far. Emily plans to major in Biology at the University of Massachusetts in Amherst.

Abigail Clough - The Arthur F. Hennessey, Jr. Scholarship

Abigail Clough is our 2023 Hennessey Scholarship recipient. She is a recent graduate of Falmouth High School. Abigail is deeply rooted in West Falmouth through many generations. Abigail also has a long history of engagement at the West Falmouth Library, including a special relationship with the late, great Lucy Wood!

Abigail is a young woman whose faith has been a centering force in her life. Her faith is deep and abiding.

Her counselors speak in glowing terms about her and it is easy to see why. They describe her as an amazing young woman who is a truly great student with strong leadership abilities. Abigail has already demonstrated that she has everything it takes to be a great in college and great in life! She will pursue a degree in education at Messiah University.



**2023 Scholarship recipients and family
with Kathy Bryson, president of the
Library Board of Directors**

The West Falmouth Library

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