

Station Manager's Report, submitted by Grace McNamara on Tues., 3/27/18

Administrative:

- I was out on vacation from Mon., 3-12- Fri., 3/16. Tim covered the office.
- There is one remaining Board meeting date for 2017-'18: Wed., 5/30. Meetings, unless noted, are on Wednesdays at 8:30 a.m. at the station.

Budget/Fundraising:

- Requests to borrow the station's field kits continue to increase. These requests often come from community organizations with users who have little camera experience. In March, we lent out our cameras six times, twice to community users new to LRPA. Based on this need, I applied for a grant of \$1,000 from Eversource for a new, simple-to-use field kit (camera and tripod). I should hear within the next three weeks. Many thanks to Jeanne for bringing this grant to my attention.
- On Tues., 2/27 we received the 2018 Q1 payment of \$1,625.00 from Belknap County. The Belknap County Delegation passed the County budget at the meeting of Tues., 3/20; LRPA's annual contract of \$6,500.00 was included in that budget.
- We have received \$240 from the sale of DVD copies and miscellaneous revenue thus far this 2017-'18 fiscal year.

Production and Programming:

- We have taped 6 Belknap County meetings since the February 1, 2018 LRPA Board Meeting. So far this year we have taped 9 County meetings, including:
 - 4 Commission meetings
 - 4 Delegation meetings
 - 1 Executive Committee meeting
- We continue to download movies, TV shows, cartoons and more in the public domain.
- We have two new shows airing on LRPA: Amazing Grace Fellowship from Laconia, NH, and the O! Melodious! show, a family-friendly, 30 minute variety show produced in conjunction with Cheshire Public Access, available to us through the NHCCM server in Concord.
- New shows produced/ airing in Feb. – March.: an Alzheimer's discussion taped at the Taylor Community, *Art to You* (taped with a live audience at the Belknap Mill), Belknap County meetings, The Celebrate Laconia Industry and Economy Open House, *Gilford Public Library Lectures*, *The Groove Tube*, Humane Society Pet of the Week, Laconia Historical Society, the 6th Annual Lakes Region Leprechaun Leap, *LRPA After Dark*, LRPA Feb. Board meeting, the Miss Laconia 125th Scholarship Pageant, NH Executive Council (4), the Putnam Fund presentation of author David S. Brody, religious programs, two Stand Up Laconia special events, one with the Honorable John T. Broderick and one presented by the Lakes Region Mental Health Center, updated meetings from Belmont (including the Deliberative Session), Gilford, Meredith (3 live meetings, the Town Meeting and a presentation of the Public Library Expansion Project) and Northwood (including a Candidate's night) , and updated School Board meetings from Laconia and Inter-lakes (including the School Budget Hearing and a presentation on competency-based learning).

Public/Community/Station Relations:

- *LRPA After Dark* press releases continue to run in the following weeklies: Salmon Press papers, the *Suncook Valley Sun* and I to the *Laconia Sun*.