

**TRUSTEES MEETING****TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 2010****REPORT PRESENTED BY MARGARET MORRISSEY, DIRECTOR****STATISTICS FOR JANUARY 2010**

Total No. of Hours Open	193
Total No. of Saturdays Open	5
Total No. of Hours Open Saturday	20
Total Hours Open After 5 p.m.	21
Attendance in Library	9,410
No. of Volunteers	14
No. of Volunteer Hours	46.75
Room Uses by the public	86
No. of Children's Programs	11
No. in Attendance	108
No. of Young Adult Programs	5
No. in Attendance	90
No. of Programs for Adult	12
No. in Attendance	110
No. of Reference Transaction	124
Internet Use	1,267
Microfilm Use	5
Total copies made	1,280
Total prints made	531
Holds filled (ILL)	1,152
Holds Received	670
Wireless Visits	282

In the afternoons, some of the teens using the library have been causing problems, as you know, to the point that we have had a table broken. The police have been assisting us and I have spoken to the kids with them and made it clear that this behavior is unacceptable and steps will be taken - which have been outlined. If this behavior continues, I will be moving up to No Trespass notices. There comes a time when having tried all other processes one has to resort to this. The police have been encouraging me to take this path and having given students the proper warning, I think it is now time - if we are to maintain a place for everyone in the community at the library.

This week is school vacation so I expect many teens in the library. Program offerings have been stepped up to offer some choices to kids on break.

The position of Children's Room Library Aide has been offered to Barbara Fish and accepted, subject to passing the physical. Having a full compliment of staff there again will be most helpful.

The budget is being crafted at the moment. The directions from the Manager and the Accountant is for level funding - except for Electricity and Water & Sewer (3% based on current usage). Departments with budgets in excess of \$300,000 have been asked to figure out a separate proposal working with a 5% decrease on current funding. I have tried to shave off the expense side but can only come up with a very small 'savings'. Therefore I am looking at staffing. I have sent a proposal to Karen for review and am waiting for her comments. My first question is can we use State Aid - currently we have approx. \$21,000 there. The Manager is trying to avoid layoffs.

On the Capital budget side, I put in a proposal that included an upgrade to the parking lot (desirable) and to refurbish the ceiling both in the main hall and on the lower level hall and Children's Room (necessary) - I have had a couple of conversations with DPW Director Ken Kalinsowski in this regard and he advised just submitting a 'place marker' with an estimate he provided so that it is recognized that these items are needing attention. I did a similar budget last year.

The Local Cultural Council (LCC) has provided seven grants to JEL for programs which is excellent news.

Friends will conduct their annual book sale on 25th, 26th and 27th of March. There will be a special viewing time for members prior to opening to the public, on Thursday.

Karla is participating in a Dept. of Education meeting on the school systems meeting the needs of younger students in early March.

### **Upcoming March Programs:**

Mystery Book Club – Monday, March 1, 6:30 p.m. The club will be reading *Odds Against* by Dick Francis.

Knitting with Sonya – Tuesdays, March 2, 9, 16, 23, and 30, 10:30 a.m.

Drumming Circle with Mellonee – Mondays, March 8 and 22, 6:30 p.m.

Anime Club – Tuesdays, March 2, 9, 16, 23, and 30, 3:10 p.m.

Annual Women's Group Art Show Reception – Thursday, March 4, 6:30 p.m.

Library Box Office – Thursday, March 11, 6:00 p.m. This month's movie is *Under the Bombs*.

Dr. M.K. McMaster Talk – Friday, March 19, 3:00 p.m.

*Alexandra the Last Czarina* – Thursday, March 25, 6:30 p.m.

Friends Annual Book Sale – Thursday, March 25 through Saturday, March 27.