

REPORT OF THE LIBRARY TRUSTEES

In 2007, the Fremont Public Library experienced increased growth and has added new services and programs to support our patrons. We are especially proud of our new website (www.fremontpubliclibrary.org) and hope that many of you will access it. People are already reserving and requesting books via the site. You can access our catalog from your home computer and check for announcements. Such as "Closed due to snow." and for schedules and topics of children's reading groups.

Thanks to a grant from the State, procured by the Friends of the Library, library card holders are now able to download audio books from the NH State Library. The website will explain the procedure in detail. The Library Association provided the \$500 annual fee for the downloadable book program of the State Library. The Friends of the Library were also awarded a grant for the initial \$600 fee to start the program.

Our summer reading program continues to be our major event in the Children's department. This is a six week theme-based program, designed to get children excited about reading. During the summer months, research consistently shows that any reading a child does during summer vacation, even one book, better prepares him/her for success upon returning to school in the fall.

The friends of the Library received two Humanity Council grants for the following programs: Two Old Friends, A Night of Music; Rebecca Rule, a NH Story Teller and Humorist; Currier on the move program for children called Adventures, Fables, and Fantasies; and also Steve Blunt.

In September the Fremont Library Association held it's annual Golf Tournament. This is the biggest fund raiser of the year. Proceeds from this event help offset the costs of some of the special programs. Many THANKS to all of those that participated in the tournament. As well as the town businesses that support us. Special Thanks to Ben Kelly at Glen's Auto, for being a great Master of Ceremonies, and of course a very special Thank You to Nick at the Fremont Pizzeria Restaurant for providing a great lunch for all the participants.

In closing, we would like to acknowledge the great group of employees at the Library. Many thanks to Barb, Marlene, Linda, Cathy, Meagen and Dick Rand. Thank you for a job well done.

Respectfully Submitted,

John Hennelly

Eric Abney

Library Trustees

CIRCULATION:

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| Adult Materials | 7,456 |
| Y/A and Juvenile Materials | 9,098 |
| Miscellaneous Items | 17 |

Total Circulation 16,571

We now have approximately 1,282 card holders. Most of these are "family cards."