

Falmouth Memorial Library Highlights for Fiscal Year 2010

Events and Programs:

- LunchBox Friends – author visits sponsored by the Friends included James Hayman, Reza Jalali, Hugh MacMahon and others.
- Regularly changing Art Exhibits by local artists and Beauty and the Books (fund-raiser/silent auction in March)
- Library Sundae (July 19, 2009) – sponsored by the Friends.
- 639 children participated in this summer's "Make a Splash" program that featured Sasha the Sea Serpent and Matilda the Mermaid created by Jenifer Wikstrom. Andi Jackson-Darling also ran a summer program for adults.
- Spring and Fall Clean-Up Days: November 7 & May 8. Thank you volunteers!
- The Holiday gathering sponsored by the Friends: December 11, 2009.
- Memoir writing workshops given by Jane DiMillo
- Book Sales (October 10 & 11 and April 10 & 11) & Children's Book Sale (March 20)
- Film "A Chemical Reaction" and discussion with Paul Tukey, May 27, 2010.
- A Common Yarn – textile group meeting weekly at the Library.
- The Library participated in Falmouth's Memorial Day parade with Matilda the Mermaid riding the waves.
- Artist Trading Card workshops were held Saturdays through the Spring.
- Monthly book discussion groups.
- A Tea for our wonderful volunteers was held in May.

Services:

- Downloadable Audio Books. Thousands of titles available. Falmouth borrowers listened to 806 of them in FY 2010.
- Friendly and professional readers' advisory and reference help.
- Library web page with links to local information, our catalog, featured lists, resources such as the Marvel! Databases, a blog, and a calendar of library events.
- A constantly evolving collection of books and other materials.
- Circulation of items, including 11,002 borrowed from other libraries thanks to the statewide consortium we belong to (Minerva) and the statewide delivery system.
- Public access to the Internet at 6 terminals plus wireless access for those with laptops or smart phones.
- Story times/crafts/summer reading program/stories at local day care and summer recreation program.
- Regular columns in the *Notes*.
- An index to the Forecaster and an obituary index to former Falmouth residents.
- Provision of meeting space to many community groups and organizations.

Gifts:

- The Friends funded performers and provided refreshments and help at many special programs. They also sponsored the Gift-a-Book program that added many extra books to the children's collection, Louise's travel as a member of the Newbery Committee, plus they purchased historic videos and an AED for the building.
- The continued maintenance of the Front Garden by the Foreside Garden Club.
- Art work contributed by local artists for our Beauty and the Books silent auction.
- Many contributions in memory of loved ones and to our Annual Fund drive.

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Director's Annual Report Falmouth Memorial Library 2009-2010

Staff

Lynda L. Sudlow	Director
Andi Jackson-Darling	Asst. Dir./Reference
Louise Capizzo	Children's Librarian Circulation Mgr thru 6/11/10)
Laura Dixon	Circ. Mgr after 6/29/10
Amron Gravett	Library Assistant
David Billings	Library Assistant
Beth Anderson	Library Assistant
Susan Chapman	Library Assistant
Ellen Conway	Library Cataloger
Lauren Isele	Library Assistant
Jeanne Madden	Library Assistant
Sheila McGarr	Library Assistant
Jenifer Wikstrom	Children's Assistant
Risa Causey	Substitute
Robin Lowell	Substitute
James Rathbun	Substitute
Charles Remy	Substitute
Lee Shenton	Admin. Assistant
Victoria Swerdlow	Accounting Services
Dan Berube	Custodian Thru 7/3/10
Matthew Strobel	Custodian After 7/5/10
Ellie Flanagan	ABLE assistant

Hours

Monday	9:30 am - 5:00 pm
Tuesday	9:30 am - 8:00 pm
Wednesday	9:30 am - 8:00 pm
Thursday	9:30 am - 8:00 pm
Friday	9:30 am - 5:00 pm
Saturday	9:30 am - 5:00 pm
(9:30-12:30 July - Labor Day)	
Sunday & Holidays	Closed

	6/30/2009	6/30/2010	%
Collection Size			
Books			
Adult	28,550	28,882	
Children & Young Adult	20,341	20,716	
Total Books	48,891	49,598	
Periodical Subscriptions	93	95	
Audio Books (Tape & CD)	1,481	1,726	
Compact Discs	1,616	1,674	
Videos (Tape & DVD)	2,723	2,604	
Total	54,804	55,697	1.6%

Circulation Statistics

Adult	53,834	52,606	
Juvenile	80,298	81,422	
Audio Visual	41,933	42,850	
Periodicals	3,276	3,557	
ILL (incoming)	11,184	11,308	
ILL (outgoing)**	11,831	11,002	
Outreach**	199	142	
Total	190,525	191,743	.6%

** Outreach numbers included in other categories. ILL outgoing not included

	added '09	added '10	
Borrowers			
Falmouth Adults	479	455	
Falmouth Children	242	214	
Non-Residents	39	57	
Other	24	39	
Total added	784	765	
Total deleted	80	484	

Total Borrowers	8,179	8,460	3.4%
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Attendance at Library Events

Children	5,228	4,965	
Other	2,158	2,921	
Total	7,386	7,886	6.8%

Usage of Meeting Rooms	1,209	971	-19%
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Volunteer Hours	2,188	2,402	9.7%
Door Counts	127,460	141,012	10.6%
Internet Access	8,656	8,604	-0.6%
Web site "hits"	770,153	802,362	4.2%

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