

Directors Report  
January 2010

### Library Basement Repair Update

The work in the basement is in its final stages. The Non-Fiction room is painted and shelving is back in place. All construction work is finished and we just need the office/hallway and children's room to be painted which will take place the week of January 25th. The stair treads and risers will be installed on the 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> and the flooring installation is scheduled to start on Wednesday, February 3<sup>rd</sup> and will take 3 possibly 4 days. If a 4<sup>th</sup> day is necessary it is scheduled for Monday February 8<sup>th</sup>. Therefore, I expect we will be able to reopen the basement to the public sometime between the 10<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> of February. The reopen date will depend on how quickly we can get the rooms set back up.

The Friends have offered to pay for refreshments and help with a re-opening celebration for the basement. I have Saturday, February 13<sup>th</sup> as a tentative date for the re-opening celebration but it might change depending on any last minute delays.

### Program Update

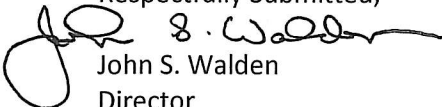
Two films from our film series have been shown at the Middle High School. The first film "For My Father" was screened on January 8<sup>th</sup> with 8 people attending and the second film "Storm" was screened on January 22<sup>nd</sup> with 12 people in attendance. The picture and sound at the music room was very good and a larger audience could be accommodated comfortably in the room. I am optimistic that attendance will grow each week and I plan to send a library email every Friday morning as a reminder to everyone as several patrons commented that they forgot about the program.

I met with the middle school classes the week of January 4<sup>th</sup> to generate interest in our advisory group. Sharon Parsons, who teaches 6<sup>th</sup> grade, arranged for my visit and helped gather the registration forms. I have a total of 9 students signed up with 5 students from the 6<sup>th</sup> grade, 3 from the 7<sup>th</sup> grade and one 8<sup>th</sup> grader. Our first meeting is scheduled for Friday January 29, 2009 at 7:30 am in Mrs. Parson's room. I hope to set a meeting time that is convenient for most members of the group and I would like to hold future meetings in the library.

Approximately 25 people have participated with the Town Wide read so far. The adult books are all out currently and the children's version has also circulated frequently. The committee is meeting on Monday January 25<sup>th</sup> to try and finalize some events for this program.

I submitted our application for the Children's Literacy Foundation (CLiF) spring sponsorship program. If we are selected for the sponsorship we will be able to select \$2,000 worth of children's books from their booklist. The application deadline was February 1<sup>st</sup> and I expect we will know if we were selected sometime in March.

Respectfully Submitted,



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