

GREENVILLE
PUBLIC LIBRARY

*Annual Report of the Director
July 2006-June 2007*

The richest person in the world - in fact all the riches in the world - couldn't provide you with anything like the endless, incredible loot available at your local library. ~Malcolm Forbes

MISSION STATEMENT

Working cooperatively with other libraries and agencies, the mission of the Greenville Public Library is to provide comprehensive library services to the residents of Smithfield and surrounding areas, with emphasis on providing a common meeting place, general reference, and lifelong learning.

SERVICES

The Greenville Public Library provides information to the public to satisfy research and recreation needs, through a wide variety of print and audio-visual materials. The Library supports the school curricula, local business community, and specific and general needs of individuals, and is a repository of information, acting as the collective memory of the community.

The Library offers programs for all ages. There is special emphasis on introducing children to the wonders of books through story hours, crafts, tutoring and special programs, and providing homework assistance to students. We offer reference assistance, interlibrary loan, access to OSL (Ocean State Libraries) holdings, live and on-line tutoring, electronic books and databases, downloadable audiobooks, outreach services, exhibits, a homework and computer training center and many other services.

PROFILE

The Greenville Public Library is one of two public libraries in the Town of Smithfield, which has a population of 20,613. The Library was incorporated in 1882 for the purpose of providing library services to the Town. The original building was located near St. Thomas Church on the Greenville Common. A new facility was built on the present site in 1956 and two additions have been made to the building, one in 1966 and the latest in 1991. Membership in the Association is open to any adult for a fee of \$10.00, to families for a fee of \$15.00, and businesses for \$50.00. Members of the Library Association elect the Board of Trustees and its officers at the Association's annual meeting. Anyone living in Rhode Island can use the Library free of charge.

Annual operating revenues are derived from association dues, contributions, local tax appropriations, interest on investments, late fines, grants, and the State of Rhode Island in the form of grant-in-aid. The largest revenue appropriation comes from the Town of Smithfield, which funds 73% of the total budget.

OLIS (Rhode Island's Office of Library and Information Services) supplies interlibrary loan delivery service, and access to LORI (a network for librarians). The State also provides construction reimbursement money that is used to repay USDA and Town loans that were obtained for the expansion project completed in 1991.

The Library is open 58 hours per week, seven days a week. The weekly schedule has been extended considerably. Thursday hours were extended by opening mornings at 10 a.m. instead of 1 p.m. Sunday hours of 1 –5 p.m. were reinstated, and Saturday summer hours were extended from 1 p.m. closing to 5 p.m.

The Greenville Public Library staff consists of seven full-time and seventeen part-time employees, including five full-time and six part-time professional librarians holding a master degree in Library and Information Sciences.

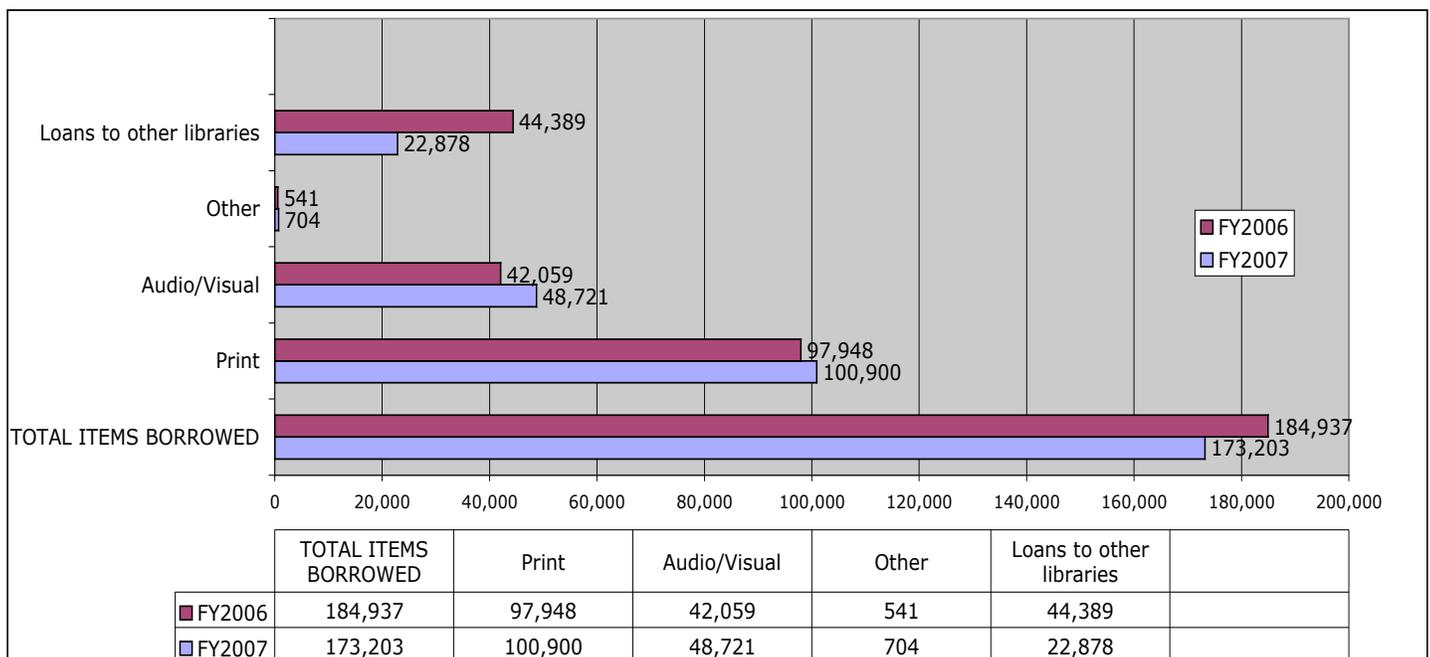
ACCOMPLISHMENTS

We served 121,603 people this year, an increase of 12,572 or 12% over last year! We provide materials in print and electronic format, both visual and audio. We provide access to databases, magazines, electronic books, and even audio books in electronic format. The Greenville Library has stayed in the forefront in Rhode Island for services offered and delivery of those services.

CIRCULATION

The number of books and other materials borrowed dropped slightly from last year due to a decrease in materials sent through interlibrary loan. Interlibrary loans decreased by 21,511 items. Leaving interlibrary loans out of the equation, print materials borrowed increased by 3% and audio/visual materials borrowed increased by 16%.

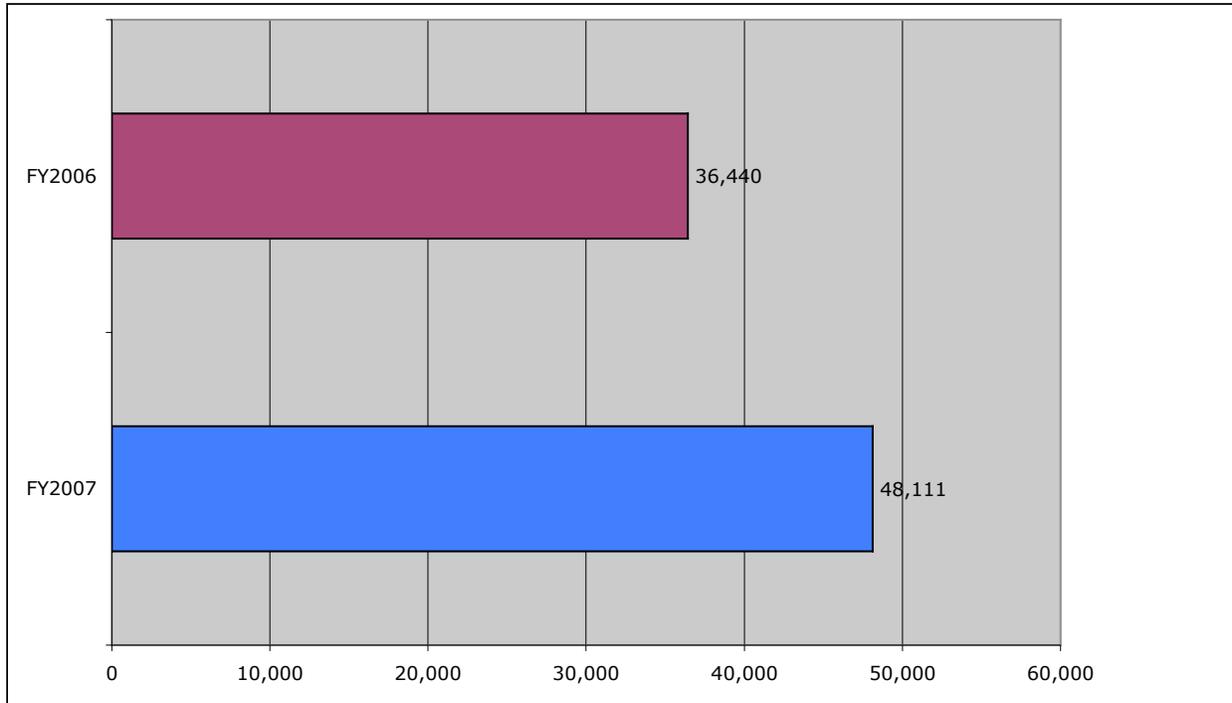
Materials Borrowed



REFERENCE

Reference requests have increased by 11,671 or 32% over the previous year! Staff answers questions in person, via e-mail, fax, and by telephone. The number and complexity of reference questions to which the Greenville Library staff responds rivals that of much larger public libraries in the state. Our staff is required to be computer savvy and well versed in the use of many different electronic databases and Internet sites.

Reference Questions Answered



VIRTUAL TUTORS

Greenville was the first public library in Rhode Island to utilize the services of on-line tutors. Our subscription allows students to receive live homework help from professional tutors via our web site between the hours of 2 and 10 p.m. daily. During the school year 913 children were assisted with homework on-line.

ELECTRONIC DATABASES

The Library subscribes to several electronic books and databases that are accessible via our website to anyone holding an Ocean State Libraries (OSL) card issued at Greenville. These databases include full-text magazine articles, reference sources, an automobile repair guide, *Providence Journal* archives, and a genealogy database that also offers census records and electronic books. There were 8,082 database searches performed this past year.

We also offer books in electronic format and audio books that can be downloaded through a service to which we subscribe.

COLLECTION

There were 6,962 books and audio-visual materials added to the collection and 2,589 weeded for a net gain of 4,373 materials. Magazines, databases, and electronic book totals are not included in this total but are shown in the chart below.

	2007	2006
Books	73,246	69,564
Magazines	1,157	997
Print Total	74,403	70,561
Audio	3,824	3,587
Video	4,908	4,469
E-Books	114	112
Databases	26	12
Other	122	132
Grand Total	83,397	78,873

INTERLIBRARY LOAN

The Library borrowed 20,188 items from other libraries through interlibrary loan to fill requests for patrons that could not be filled from the Library's own resources. The Library loaned 22,878 materials to other libraries. The large number of items being received and shipped out requires many hours of staff time for identifying items, pulling materials from the shelves, packaging, and processing. We currently budget 35 hours per week for shared resources staff, but other staff also assists as needed. OLIS provides a delivery service to transport books and other library materials between most of the libraries within the state up to five days per week. In-state interlibrary loans are free to library users. Books from out-of-state are mailed and the borrower charged \$2 per item for postage.

PROGRAMS

Programs presented: 657 Attendance: 9,389

We would like to thank those who presented programs at the Library during the year, and the Friends of the Library who funded many of the Children's programs.

CHILDREN'S

There were 366 children's programs attended by 5,083 people. That represents an increase in programming of 29% and attendance of 15% over last year!

Story hours were presented to preschoolers, toddlers, and pre-toddlers. The Summer Reading Program was entitled, "Paws, Claws, Scales, & Tales" for children ages 3 1/2-10 years of age. 187 children registered; 97 completed requirements.

Preschool Programs

Title	Presenter
Preschool storyhours	Staff
Toddler storyhours/	Staff
Turtletime Storyhours	Staff
Nutrition for Kids	Blue Cross
Saturday Storyhours	Bryant University Students

School Age Programs

Book Buddies	Teen volunteers
Crafts	Staff
Crafts	Teens
Spanish Classes	Mrs. Konyeaso
Maxwell Pet Therapy dog	Diane Calo
Storytelling	Erin Whalen
Knitting for Kids	Mrs. Junier
Art Classes	Adele Karbowski
Flower Arranging	Apple Blossom Garden Clul
Summer Reading Program	Staff
All-Star Readers Contest	PawSox
Reading Tutors	Bryant University Students
Creat-a-Card	Deborah Sutherland
Homeschooler's Art Class	Adele Karbowski
Homeschooler's Public Speaking Class	Mrs. Wallace
Homeschooler's Spanish Class	Sharon Hammond-Dowie
Orientation	Staff
Child Care Connection Class	Staff
Bobo the Clown	Himself

Family

Magic Show	Ronald McDonald
Beasts by the Bunches	Miffin Lowe
FinTastic Magic	Chris Carbone
Biomes Traveling Exhibit	
Tunes'n Tales	Anne-Marie Forer
Halloween Village	Teen Volunteers
Storyteller	Katie Latimer
Butterfly Slide Show and Craft	Jerry Schneider
Frosty's Magic B'Day	Greg McAdams
Providence Performing Arts Club Raffle	
Storyteller	Charlotte Hamlin

OUTREACH TO CHILDREN

Title	Presenter
Healthy Kids Day @ the YMCA	Staff
School/Public Libraries	Staff
Learning Place Preschool	Staff

YOUNG ADULT

There were 95 teen programs during the year that were attended by 2,062 people.

Academy Award Contest	Aaron
Chinese Juggle Sticks Workshop	Aaron
Outburst for Teens	Aaron
Program Buddies	Aaron/Theresa
Rhode Island Teen Book Award Election	Aaron
Scene-It?, Jr.	Aaron
Smithfield All-Stars	Ron Manni
Survivor Greenville	Aaron
Teen Advisory Library Council	Aaron
Teen Read Week Bookmark Contest	Aaron
Teen Read Week Reading Race	Aaron
Who Wants to Be a Chocolataire?	Aaron
YMCA AfterSchool Middle School Programs	Aaron

Summer Reading Program

Sixteen teens read 314 books as part of the YA Summer Reading Program.

Summer Reading Program	Aaron
Book Buddies	Aaron
Book Buddies Training	Aaron/Theresa
Clue: Greenille	Aaron
Dragonology	Aaron
Famous Pets	Aaron
Grossology 101	Aaron
Introduction to Music (Clarinet & Piano)	Nicole Lamantia
Know the Unknown Jeopardy!	Aaron
Mysterious Places Pictionary	Aaron
Mystery Jeopardy!	Aaron
Program Buddies	Aaron/Pauline/Theresa
Questions of the Week	Aaron
Search for Alien Life: Internet Workshop	Aaron
Smithfield All-Stars	Ron Manni
Statewide Pen Pal Program	Aaron
Tales of Terror for Teens	Aaron
Teen Book Chat	Aaron

Outreach

Cranston Regional Career Fair
LaSalle Academy Academy Awards of Books
LaSalle Academy Student Interviews
High School/Class Visits: Readers' Café
High School/Class Visits: Special Ed Tour of Library
School Visit: Library Card Summer Reading Promos

ADULT

There were 179 adult programs attended by 1,477 people. Included in these numbers are 109 programs for seniors (712 attended).

Title	Presenter
AARP Tax Assistance	Dave Surette
Arthritis: Alternative Approaches	Dr. Herbert Curtis
Bereavement Support Group	John Charette
Bereavement Support Group	Wendy Westcott
Blue Cross Wellness Van Flu Clinic	Dick Radabach
Blue Cross/Blue Shield Medicare	Becky Pettinicchio
Blue Cross/Blue Shield Medicare	Susan Olsen Saccoccia
Basic Crochet	Diane Junier
Cesareo's Circle (Book Club)	Patti Folsom
Computer Training Class Basic	Milo J. St. Angelo
Computer Training Class Basic I	Milo J. St. Angelo
Computer Training Class Basic II	Milo J. St. Angelo
Computer Training Class Intermediate	Milo J. St. Angelo
Computer Refresher Course	Milo J. St. Angelo
"Desert Totems" Poetry and Photography	Bill Carpenter
Detective Novel Program	Gloria Jean Marscotte
Fly-Tying Workshop	Edward Lombardo, Sr.
Becoming a Foster Parent	
History of Millinery: 1850-1950	Elsie Collins
Mystery Book Club	Dorothy Swain
Natural Approaches to Neck and Back Pain	Dr. Herbert Curtis
Paper Craft Workshop	Judy Newton
Poetry Reading with Stone and Plank Group	Curt Stump
Quilting Program	Denise Shay
Reading Across RI Book Discussion	Patti Folsom
RI Housing and Mortgage Finance Corp	Robert Silva
Rhode Island 7 th Infantry Civil War Lecture	Robert Grandchamp
Rhode Island's Other Woman: Frances Harriet	Sarah O'Dowd
RIMFAC Homebuyer's Education Class	Robert Silva
Stopping Compulsive Eating	Diane Stacy
Understanding Fibromyalgia: A Natural Approach	Dr. Herbert Curtis
United Health Care Open Enrollment	Thomas A. Kelsey

ROOM AND COMPUTER USE

Thirty groups used the Library's meeting rooms a total of 129 times, not including the Trustees, Friends, and those presenting Library sponsored programs.

Our quiet study room, which is used for tutoring, tax return assistance, and quiet study, was used 218 hours this year, an increase of 31% over last year's use!

Library computers were used by 43,857 people to access the Internet and electronic databases. 4,355 young people used the homework/teen technology center during the school year. Free public access to Library computers allows everyone in the Town the opportunity to have an e-mail account and to obtain important information from our electronic databases and the Internet.

EXHIBITS

The Library is fortunate to have people in the community willing to share their collections and art works with others. We would like to extend our thanks to the following for exhibiting their works and collections at the Library this year:

CHILDREN'S BUBBLE

Exhibitor	Exhibit
Sydney Luongo:	Kittens
Sarah, Rebekah, Hannah Sutherland:	Horses
Mirabel Sleiman:	Fossils from Lebanon
Dylan Junier:	Sock Monsters
Nicholas Cerroni:	Pez Dispensers
Lily Caswell:	Snow Globes
Girl Scouts:	Cookies & Memorabilia
Maia Giguere:	Porcelain Dolls
Apple Blossom Garden Club	Mosaic Designs
Madison Orsillo:	Little Pet Shop
Isabel Wallace:	Pandas
Claire Harrison:	WebKinz
Isabeau Hamel:	Moishi

The Greenville Nursery School children made decorations for the bulletin boards and the Children's Room on a seasonal basis.

Diane Maione's Girl Scout Troop 544 made decorations for the lobby trees on a monthly basis from July 2006- June 2007.

Staff created 36 book displays in the Children's Room throughout the year, in addition to decorating bulletin boards and the room in general.

The homeschoolers displayed their artwork in the Children's Room periodically.

CASTLE DISPLAY CASE

Exhibitor	Exhibit
Deborah Femino	Small Artwork and photographs
Bernie Gallant	Sculpture pieces
Judy Newton	Paper Crafts
George Sutcliffe	Veteran's Memorabilia
Rebecca Rowley	Photography and Jewelry
Bill Carpenter	Poetry
Jim Ignasher & Smithfield Historical Society	Smithfield Historical Soc. Items
Local Youth (Don Chabot, organizer)	Youth Art Month
Elsie Collins	Fashion Hats
Rebecca Tremblay	Photoglass and Photographs

DISPLAYS

Many of the displays in the Library were done by the staff to reflect seasons or subjects of celebration. The staff also did several book displays each month.

We thank Diane Maione and her Girl Scout Troop #544 for decorating the trees in the Library's lobby, the students at Greenville Nursery School, under the direction of Sheila Borges, who made decorations for the bulletin board, and the home schooled children who displayed their artwork in the Children's Room throughout the year.

ARTWORK

Exhibitor	Exhibit
Edward H. Olausen	Watercolors
George Laurie	Oil Paintings
Lisa Pastille	Interpretive House Photo Paintings
Astrid Menation	Prints
Geraldine Critz	Photographs of Block Island
Pam Goodness	Photographs
Don LaCasse	Watercolors
Carol Pendleton	Giclee Artwork and Abstracts
Edward H. Olausen	Watercolors
Lisa Pastille	Mixed Media Artwork
Rebecca Tremblay	Photoglass and Photographs
Dolores DeCesare	3-D Artwork
Local Youth (Don Chabot, organizer)	Youth Art Month

OUTREACH

The Library offers its services to residents of retirement and nursing homes. The residents of Greenville Manor, Hebert Nursing Home, Dora C. Howard Adult Day Care Center, and North Bay Manor can receive materials free of charge. Homebound individuals may also request materials, which will be delivered to their houses.

The Library staff keeps lines of communication open with the staff and residents who live at Harmony Hill School, Farnum House, Greenville House, and Mater Ecclesiae International Center of Studies. We encourage library usage by the residents of these facilities and offer materials that meet their special needs and interests.

GRANTS AND GIFTS

Earl Brindle, a former Trustee and life-long library supporter, passed away this year. We mourn his passing and remember his accomplishments as the longest serving Trustee on the Library Board, an inductee to the Smithfield Heritage Hall of Fame, and a member of several local volunteer organizations including the Greenville Volunteer Fire Dept. Family and friends donated \$1,100 to the Library in memory of Mr. Brindle.

Greenville Volunteer Fire Dept. made a generous donation in honor of Earl Brindle, for the second year in a row. This year's donation paid half the cost of a defibrillator. The other half was paid through a safety grant from the Trust.

Pauline Henlin made a generous donation in memory of her late husband, Allan Henlin, which was used to purchase passes to the Museum of Science in Boston.

Grants were obtained from the Champlin Foundations for \$18,600 for upgrades to the security system, a 5-drawer flat file for storing children's posters and decorations, sliding shelving for young adult paperback books, and shelving for children's DVDs. In addition we received a grant in the amount of \$24,655 for computers and related equipment. The two Champlin Foundations' grants totaled \$43,255.

We received \$13,217 in contributions from our Friends and Association Members.

The Town of Smithfield is providing \$16,500 in three yearly installments for a flat roof repair.

Tri-Town received a grant to pay the salaries of two teens that worked at the Library during the summer.

The Apple Blossom Garden Club donated beautiful floral arrangements throughout the year and two wreaths that hung on either side of the entrance doors at Christmas time.

Annual Grants

We receive several grants on an annual basis, the money derived from bequests that generate investment income. We are grateful to the following individuals:

Thomas K. Winsor Memorial Fund (from the estate of Kay Kirlin Moore): \$2,309 was used to purchase books.

Mattie A. Walcott Memorial Fund: \$4,439 was used to pay Bryant University students to tutor children at the library when their work-study money ran out.

Designated Funds

Muriel and Samuel Place Fund: \$5,000 plus interest to be used for the Children's Room expansion.

Leona Wilson Fund: \$1,230 for adult literacy materials.

Shirley Steere Memorial Fund: \$7,964. Interest from the fund is used to purchase books and furniture for the children's room: \$270 was used to purchase three sets of books, each six volumes: *Primary Source Library of Famous Artists*, *Primary Source Library of Famous Composers*, and *Gross Bugs*.

The David and Eleanor Battey Campbell Fund: \$6,000 donation from Janice and Richard Lindsay in honor of Mrs. Lindsay's parents, former residents of Greenville. Interest from the account is used to purchase children's materials. \$281 was used to purchase the following sets of books for the Children's Room: *Rainbow Magic* by Daisy Meadows, *Puppy Patrol* by Jenny Dale, *Sammy Keyes* by Wendelin Van Draanen, *Disney Fairies* by Kiki Thorpe, and *Chet Gecko Mysteries* by Bruce Hale.

ADDITIONAL NEW EQUIPMENT and ITEMS

--Began purchasing movies for PSP (Personal Play Station) for children.

--Installed software in the reference department that manages public printing, tabulates printing costs and manages computer usage.

--Defibrillator was purchased with grant monies and installed near the front desk.

--New shelving was purchased for children's DVDs and young adult paperbacks with the Champlin Foundations grant.

--A flat-file cabinet for children's posters was purchased with the Champlin Foundations grant.

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS

The following repairs and improvements were made this past year:

--One flat roof was recovered using a new process that is supposed to be stronger, lighter, and better lasting than the traditional rubber roofing.

--The elevator's hydraulic fluid pipes were repacked and the leveling adjusted.

--Low tree branches over the parking lot were trimmed.

--Building gutters were cleaned.

--A cabinet in the staff lounge was repaired and a reference drawer was fixed.

--The library hours sign was repaired following wind damage.

- The file server received a new hard drive and operating system.
- The telephone system hard drive was replaced and the system reprogrammed. Several handsets were also replaced.
- All smoke detectors more than ten years old were replaced.
- An electronic signboard that can show movies and still frames was purchased. It is currently being used to advertise programs.

OPERATIONAL IMPROVEMENTS and ACHIEVEMENTS

We operate with the philosophy of continuous improvement and continue to be a leader among public libraries in Rhode Island. Some of the many improvements and successes of this year include:

The Town Council approved putting a bond for a new library building on the November 2008 ballot.

The following programs were offered to Library staff:

- CPR certification and defibrillator training was taught by the Smithfield Fire Dept.
- Fire safety training was provided by the Smithfield Fire Dept.
- Sexual Harassment workshop was presented by RIEAP.
- Problem Patrons workshop was presented by RIEAP.
- The Library Director chairs the Rhode Island Public Library E-Zone, a consortium of RI libraries that he helped to found, that contracts with Digital Reserve (Overdrive) to offer library patrons downloadable audio and electronic books.
- Hours of operation were extended by adding Sundays 1-5 p.m. during the school year. The Library is now open 58 hours per week.
- Began offering PSP movies for Sony Personal Playstations, which have been well received.
- Supported the Smithfield School Wellness plan by purchasing in excess of \$1,000 worth of books and DVDs to support the program.
- Accepted Food-For-Fines again this year during a week in November with proceeds donated to the Smithfield food bank.
- A joint library survey was done in conjunction with East Smithfield Public Library. Questionnaires were mailed to a random sampling of households in Smithfield, and were given to patrons at both libraries. The results are used for updating our strategic plans.

- Entered into an agreement with the Rhode Island Library Association to maintain its membership database, for which the Library is paid \$600 annually, and received upgraded server database software free of charge.
- Continued to offer a genealogical database via our web page, paid for by the Rhode Island Genealogical Association.
- Continued a highly successful tutoring program that matches Bryant University work study students with local young people who need reading assistance.
- Continued to offer on-line tutoring for school students, free of charge. The service is available from 2-10 p.m. daily and was used by 913 students this past year for homework assistance.
- Initiated the first programs in the state for home schooled children, and have taken the lead in coordinating programs with other area libraries. We also provide space for parents and guardians who home school to meet.
- Had highly successful children's and teen summer reading programs.
- Wireless Internet access is offered to the public from anywhere in the Library.

PROFESSIONAL ENRICHMENT

The professional staff is encouraged to join and participate in state and regional library organizations and to attend the annual Rhode Island Library Association conference. The Director is a member of the American Library Association (ALA) and the Public Libraries division, as well as the New England Library (NELA) and Rhode Island Library Associations (RILA). Other professional staff also belongs to RILA, and Aaron Coutu also belongs to ALA and NELA.

The staff attends meetings and workshops held throughout the state and participates on appropriate committees.. The Director is the President of the Rhode Island Library Association and represents the Library at OSL meetings and other statewide library meetings. He chaired an OSL committee whose charge was to standardize policies and procedures among member libraries.

Aaron Coutu is a member of the R.I. Teen Book Awards Committee and a member of the Statewide Summer Reading Program Committee and the Young Adult Round Table. He was selected by RILA as the Librarian of the Year!

Staff is encouraged to attend continuing education classes and library conferences. OLIS offers many continuing education classes free of charge, and the Library has a small budget to pay for work related courses. All of the professional and many of the support staff attended continuing education classes this year.

Professional journals are made available to the staff for book and other media reviews, and to keep them aware of issues and technologies affecting information delivery and libraries.

COOPERATION

Cooperating with other libraries and agencies expands the type and quantity of services and materials that can be offered. Following is a list of cooperative ventures and services:

- Greenville Boy Scouts provided services to the Library by participating in the Earth Day Cleanup, cleaning litter and tree limbs from Library grounds in the Spring.
- Provide space to AARP to assist the elderly and low-income patrons with tax return preparation.
- Provide interlibrary loans to other libraries: public, academic and school.
- Offer a convenient site for the Wellness Center to provide flu shots.
- Book collection boxes are put in the schools during Student Amnesty in May and June. Student late fines are forgiven for Library materials returned to these boxes.
- Meeting rooms are offered free of charge to town government agencies, librarians and non-profit organizations for meetings and workshops.
- Act as a repository for books belonging to the R.I. Genealogical Society.
- Provide outreach services to residents of Greenville Manor, Heberts Nursing Home, and the home bound.
- Provide services to the teen residents of Harmony Hill School, Farnum House, Greenville House, and Mater Ecclesiae International Center of Studies
- Host North Central Chamber of Commerce meetings.
- Children's Librarian, Pauline Leaver, read stories to children at Tri-Town and the YMCA, and holiday stories at the Senior Center. She also set up a special summer reading program for children attending Tri-Town.
- Collect food for the Smithfield food bank in place of fines for overdue materials in November.
- Library staff works closely with the schools in Town on projects.
- Worked with a high school student who conducted a clothing drive.
- Worked with the girl scouts who collected under garments for children through Project Undercover.
- Provide volunteer jobs and supervision for those who have to do community service.

- Worked with the schools and East Smithfield Library on Reader Café
- Worked with Tri-Town and East Smithfield Library on the Smithfield All Stars program.
- Worked with East Smithfield Library on book and periodical purchases.
- Worked with East Smithfield Library on programming.
- Smithfield Fire Dept. provided fire safety programs and CPR and defibrillator certification to the Library staff free of charge.

VOLUNTEERS

The Library depends on its regular volunteers who perform many hours of work at no cost to the Library. These dedicated individuals make it possible for the Library to offer programs and services that would not be possible without their assistance.

The Library also offers a place for students in the high school and area colleges who need to perform community service as part of their curriculum, and we are grateful for their help.

Special thanks go to those who volunteer their services to the Library. We relied on 63 volunteers, who donated 1,156 hours of work to the Library. A few people volunteer on a weekly basis and are scheduled like paid staff. We especially thank the following for their dedicated service to the Library:

Michelle Cardono, Kathy Flynn, Patti Folsom , Helena Morin, Anna Martin, Jim Rainy, Rosemary Smith, Grace Pariseault, Mary Romano, Valerie Sahakian, Rita St. Jean, Paul Vierra, and Janice Ward volunteered in Adult Services. Michael Fabrizio, Sarah Sutherland, Elizabeth Crichton, Daniel Russo, and Kyera Shea volunteered in the Young Adult dept.

We want to thank the Apple Blossom Garden Club whose members donate beautiful floral arrangements throughout the year, and made wreaths which hung outside the Library's front entrance during the winter holiday season. Club members also present children's craft programs during the year.

We thank Trustee, Milo J. St. Angelo, for donating potted plants to decorate the public service areas all through the year, in addition to his financial contributions and computer classes. Mr. St. Angelo provided three different levels of adult computer classes during the year, at no cost to the Library.

We thank the Friends of the Library for all of their work helping with special events and fund raising. Their services are vital and much appreciated. Sarah Paquet deserves our gratitude for leading the Friends and putting countless hours into fund raising events. There was a highly successful second holiday auction in December and a joint fund raiser with the YMCA, thanks to Dorothy Swain, the Friends, Laura and Karalyne Rothwell, and Board President, Domine Vescera Ragosta, and others; especially those who donated items to the auctions.

Board President, Domine Vescera Ragosta, deserves special mention and thanks for all of the time that she has devoted to the Library. She meets weekly with the Director as well as attending many other meetings related to library matters. She continues to keep the vision of a new building alive and has worked tirelessly with the Town Council, building consultant, Library Trustees, and others to make it a reality.

All of the Trustees deserve special thanks for giving their time and expertise to the betterment of the Library and the community it serves.

The Library's staff deserves recognition for their commitment to serving the public in a courteous and professional manner. The staff maintains the Library's reputation for friendly and knowledgeable public service.

The Greenville Public Library is an essential agency in the Town of Smithfield. It serves as the Town's repository of information and its collective memory. The Library fosters a love of reading in children, assists adults with life-long learning, provides homework assistance to students, free computers with Internet access, recreational reading materials, reference assistance, and meeting space to the town and surrounding areas. We look to the future with confidence that the Town's need for a larger library building will be satisfied.

Respectfully Submitted:

Christopher La Roux
Director



Positions as of June 30, 2007

TRUSTEES

President	Domine Vescera Ragosta
Vice-President	Virginia Harnois
Secretary	Susan Marineau
Treasurer	Bruce Hallworth
	Milo J. St. Angelo
	Stephen Cicilline, Esq.
	Elaine Farley
	Barbara Lysik
	Harold Hemberger
	Dr. Julie Ip

STAFF

Director	Christopher La Roux
Assistant Director	Dorothy Swain
Children's Librarian	Pauline Leaver
Children's Assistant	Theresa Neary
Young Adult Librarian	Aaron Coutu
Reference Librarian	Beth DeCristofaro
Reference Librarian	Patty DeFrancesco
Reference Librarian	Carol Gallant
Reference Librarian	Rhonda Hevenor
Reference Librarian	Rosemary Rose
Reference Librarian	Gretchen Hanley
Reference Assistant	Deborah Adler
Technology Coordinator	Ray Hetherington
Circulation Supervisor	Rebecca Tremblay
Circulation Assistant	Norma Salzillo
Library Assistant	Carol Mulzer
Library Assistant	Karalyne Rothwell
Library Assistant	Sandra Williams
Technical Services	Sarah Paquet
Administrative Secretary	Lydia Lapierre
Page	Katelyn Courtot
Page	Jacob Lapierre
Page	Tanya Maione
Page	Laura Rothwell

FRIENDS

Debbie	Adler
Elaine	Farley
Susan	Marineau
Sarah	Paquet
Dorothy	Swain

