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ANNUAL REPORT Checking In...Our Long Range Plan

We began 2015 guided by our newly minted Long Range Plan. Put together based on conversations with focus groups, leaders in local government, library users and community groups, the long range plan has four areas of focus: secure support for continued long-term sustainable funding adequate to meet the community's current and future needs; make the best use of the library's present space to provide a welcoming library facility; maintain a trained and highly motivated staff that will consistently deliver professional, knowledgeable and outstanding service; support the development of digital literacy skills in the community.

These long range goals set our course for 2015 and we are making progress. The following is an abbreviated list of some of the tasks completed:

- Friends of Reed Library established and growing
- Established bi-lingual story times
- Increased daytime adult programming
- Hosted our first Day of the Dead celebration
- Filmed Comcast's "Know Your Local Library" program
- New mobile-friendly format for e-newsletter
- Extensive collection evaluation and maintenance enabled the opening up of space in the library
- Energy efficient lighting installed significantly reducing electricity usage and cost
- Staff evaluations conducted and training needs identified
- Seven computers upgraded in 2015

In 2016 we will continue to make progress. Fun things are planned - Book Sale, Family Fun Day, Movie Theater Day for summer reading program participants, concerts and classes – as well as some dirty work - clean out the basement, wash the windows, clean the carpets – with all sorts of interesting things in between.

Let us know what you like, what we can do better, or just stop in and visit. We'd love to hear from you.

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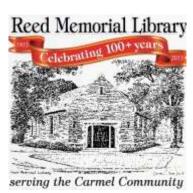
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Library Board Meetings

The Library Board meets first Wednesday of every month at 5 pm. The public is invited.



We hope you'll come often to visit the Reed Library, located at the intersection of Routes 6 and 52 in the Hamlet of Carmel. Our hours are:

Monday 10-5 Thursday 10-8 Tuesday 10-8 Friday 10-5 Wednesday 10-5 Saturday 10-3

24/7 at www.carmellibrary.org

Friends of Reed Library BOOK SALE

Our book sale is back! With the help of our recently established Friends group and the generosity of Putnam County making the space at 34 Gleneida Avenue available for the sale, the 2016 book sale promises to be better than ever! Hope you'll stop by for a great selection of bargain priced books, children's materials, DVDs, CDs, white elephant items and refreshments.

The book sale will be held at 34 Gleneida Avenue Saturday and Sunday April 9 and 10 from 9 am to 4 pm.



Regularly Scheduled Programs

Baby and Me Playgroup

Stories, songs and fingerplays for babies ages 8 to 22 months and their caregivers, Mondays at 10:30.

Time for Twos Storytime

Stories, songs and fingerplays for children ages 2-3, Tuesday & Wednesday at 10:15.

Preschool Storytime

Stories, songs, fingerplays and crafts for children ages 3-5, Tuesday & Wednesday at 11:15, Thursday at 1:30.

After School Book & Craft Club

Stories, activities, crafts and games for children in kindergarten through second grade, Thursday at 4:30.

Bi-Lingual Story Time

All ages welcomed for stories, songs and crafts in English and Spanish, Thursday at 10:30.



In-Stitches Knitting Group

Beginners and experienced knitters and crocheters are welcomed in this fun and friendly group. Wednesday 10:30 to noon and Thursday 6:30 to 8pm.

Reads-at-Reed Book Club

Join the discussion at 7 pm on the first Tuesday of every month. Books are available in the library one month prior to the meeting.

Computer Help

One-on-one help with computer skills, Tuesday and Thursday 10 am to noon.

Artists' Drop-In

Artists are invited to drop in to the library with their pencils, pads and paints for a creative afternoon, Monday from 12:30 to 2:30.

Adult Art Classes

Explore your creative side with a variety of art classes offered Tuesday and Thursday 10 am to noon.

Financial Well-Being Seminars

Offered various days and times throughout the year.

*DID YOU KNOW...*We offer for loan a large selection of the latest books, CDs, DVDs, magazines, audio books, e-books and museum passes as well as streaming and downloadable video, music, magazines and audio books.

Public computers and wireless internet access as well as a copier and fax machine are available.

We host a continuous schedule of programs and special events targeting literacy enhancement and community learning. To see everything that's happening at Reed click *Calendar* on our homepage, www.carmellibrary.org.

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