2019 marked GFJ’s 105th year of service to the Greater Endicott community. We went to Town of Union voters this year to ask for an increase in library funds. I’m happy to report that the proposition passed with an overwhelming 65% of the vote! I’m truly grateful for your continued support of our library.

In 2019 we remained dedicated to fulfilling our library’s mission to the GFJ Community. We partnered with Broome County Habitat for Humanity and Catholic Charities of Broome County to make books available to children whose families participate in community programs at St. Ambrose Church. A portable bookcase was built and donated by Habitat for Humanity and debuted at the church’s Summer Free Lunch Program. We are proud to be partnering with such great organizations as we continue our effort to promote literacy and life-long learning in our community.

In two months we plan to start the renovation of our parking lot. The renovation will commence in early May and should conclude sometime in June. Parking will be limited during this time, as the entire parking lot will be renovated at once. We have received over $300,000 in NYS construction grant funds to complete the renovation.

In the coming months, we will be expanding our media collections. The shelving in our Media Room will be updated to accommodate the collections’ expansion. We will be making available a meeting room on the library’s main floor, adjacent to the library café. The newly designed area will allow us to offer more space for our patrons and local organizations to meet.

Sincerely,
Seth Jacobus
Library Director
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GFJ Mission Statement:
To provide materials in varied formats, information from technological and traditional sources, and services from trained and qualified employees for library users of all ages for their recreations, educational and lifelong learning needs. As we work to accomplish this mission we vow to strive to uphold the rights of all people of all ages under the U.S. Constitution and Bill of Rights and the guidelines of the library Bill of Rights adopted by the American Library Association Council of January 23, 1980.

Library Hours:
Monday-Thursday 9-9
Friday-Saturday 9-5
Closed Saturdays July & August

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Service Measurements:

• Days open: 292
• Circulation: 138,842
• Reference questions: 12,336
• In-house reserve requests: 3,044
• Interlibrary loans received: 8,294
• Interlibrary loans provided: 16,106
• Registered borrowers: 25,650
• Programs: 551
• Program attendance: 8,345
• Computer usage: 20,944
• Wi-Fi sessions: 24,760
• Study room use: 265
• Public fax transmissions: 774
• Group meetings: 461
• Web site visits: 57,988
• Library visits: 111,439
• Computer classes: 84
• E-book circulation: 3,431
• Audio-book downloads: 5,420

Highlights from our 105th Year of Service to the Community

• Added 4,150 new books, 17 music CDs, 314 DVDs, 123 audio books – our collections remain among the largest of the 43 Four County System member libraries
• 1,053 patrons registered
• 111,439 patron visits
• 57,988 library web site visits
• 3,431 e-books borrowed

Financial Report

2019 Receipts:
Union library district: $997,775
Fines/Fees etc.: 30,503
Grants & NYS Aid: 194,873
Gifts & Donations: 4,896
Interest on deposits: 763
Total Receipts: $1,228,810

2019 Expenditures:
Salaries & benefits (current staff): $790,553
Print material: 74,034
Automation: 52,797
Building improvements: 0
Building operations & maintenance: 21,785
Audiovisual material: 17,552
Contracted services: 29,598
Office supplies: 14,070
Health insurance (retired): 14,444
Miscellaneous: 3,795
Liability insurance: 10,205
Postage: 895
Equipment/furniture: 1,180
Travel: 2,416
Total Expenditures: $1,033,324

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