

As we prepare to celebrate GFJ's 90th birthday this month, I am pleased to present my 2004 Annual Report of the George F. Johnson Memorial Library. With the passage of the Union Library Funding District, and the successful resolution of numerous court challenges, we embark on a new era of improved service to the community. It was our fervent belief through many lean years that if we could only place the fate of the library in the hands of the people, all would be well. The result of the November 2004 vote has vindicated that belief, and the entire staff at GFJ looks forward to once again delivering the great library service the residents of this community deserve.

The figures below present the highlights of financial and service activity for 2004. Complete information is available in our "Annual Report for Public and Association Libraries," recently been filed with the New York Education Department and available for review at the library.

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Library Director

Service Measurements:

Days open: 289
Circulation: 170,621
Reference questions: 9,327
In-house reserve requests: 3541
Interlibrary loans received: 5,406
Interlibrary loans provided: 6,137
Web site visits: 15,882
Registered borrowers: 22,788
Programs: 153
Program attendance: 4,777
Tax forms prepared by AARP volunteers: 210
Internet usage: 13,010
CD-ROM usage: 2788
Public fax transmissions: 214

Financial Report – 2004 Receipts

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| Broome County library aid: | \$372,878 |
| Village of Endicott support: | 60,000 |
| (received Jan. 2005) | |
| New York State aid: | 1,108 |
| New York State grants: | 6,000 |
| Fines/fees | 23,147 |
| Interest on deposits: | 4,058 |
| Rental of property: | 1,186 |
| Gifts & donations: | 5,275 |
| Total receipts: | \$473,652 |

Financial Report – 2004 Expenditures

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| Salaries & benefits (current employees): | \$369,956.28 |
| Health insurance (retired employees): | 47,926.31 |
| Print material: | 63,122.90 |
| Automation contract: | 31,600.00 |
| Building operations & maintenance: | 18,168.20 |
| Office supplies: | 5,557.99 |
| Audio-visual material: | 4,172.80 |
| Liability insurance: | 9,751.74 |
| Postage: | 1,938.00 |
| Travel: | 396.97 |
| Legal services: (funding referendum) | 18,738.00 |
| Publicity: (funding referendum): | 8,271.96 |
| Postage (publicity campaign): | 3,372.32 |
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| Total disbursements: | \$582,973.47 |