

STATE LIBRARIAN'S REPORT
January 12, 2009

This report is prepared bi-monthly in conjunction with the regular meetings of the Connecticut State Library Board. Items to be routinely covered include the following: the significant activities of the State Librarian and the staff, significant administrative decisions affecting the operation of the Library, status reports regarding in-progress activities, information regarding external events having an impact on the Library, media coverage of the Library, and information of general interest to the members of the Board.

The following report by the State Librarian, which will be included in the minutes of the January 12, meeting of the Board, covers the period of November 24, 2008 through January 11, 2009.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Attached to this report.

PERSONNEL REPORT

STATE LIBRARIAN

INFORMATION SERVICES DIVISION

DIVISION OF LIBRARY DEVELOPMENT

Public Library Annual Report

181 public libraries just completed their *Annual Report and Application for State Grant*. Nearly all measures of library use show an increase during FY2008. A preliminary version of the *Statistical Profile of Connecticut Public Libraries 2008* is now available on WebJunction Connecticut. A summary of key statistics are included with your packet.

Tom Newman, State Library Data Coordinator, wrote an article on the Mystic Seaport Museum Library that appeared in the December edition of Connecticut Libraries. A copy of the article is included in your packet.

Douglas Lord, LSTA Program Assistant, wrote an article for the January, 2009 issue of Connecticut Libraries spotlighting Susan Muro, Book Voyagers Coordinator for the Connecticut Humanities Council. He also presented on best practices to older adult patrons at the Libraries for the Future Summit in Newton, Massachusetts in November, 2008.

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