

A library is not a luxury,
but one of the necessities of life.

Henry Ward Beecher

1st Annual Reuben Hoar Library

From the RHL Board of Trustees, 2010

To maintain the Reuben Hoar Library as a vital asset for all Littleton citizens, we face significant challenges. The library building is showing signs of age and running out of room as the library demands in our vibrant community are changing. For example, in the last 15 years, the book collection has grown by about 70% while the AV material owned has grown by about 600%. The current space is now at a point where materials have to be culled too quickly, and we don't have sufficient meeting space for programs and community activities. Your elected Library Trustees are responsible for library oversight and strategic planning. Before the lack of space becomes critical, the Trustees, with your help, must determine the best course of action.

Library planning studies for a town of Littleton's size are costly. Where will this money come from? The town budgets tax money for the library staff, utilities, and a significant part of the materials budget. The Friends of the Library provide funds for additional enrichment materials and services, such as museum passes and programming. The Trustees are committed to raise money for library planning and major capital needs without raising taxes or diminishing the Friends contributions.

Our goal for the 2010 spring drive is to raise \$20,000 by June 1 toward the planning study. The Trustees will also apply for matching funds elsewhere. To this end, we've established The Reuben Hoar Library Fund, a 503(c) non-profit, federal tax-exempt fund, with the Community Foundation of North Central Massachusetts.

Please help us reach this goal by making a tax-deductible donation. You can drop off or mail a tax-deductible check to The Reuben Hoar Library Fund or donate online at littletonlibrary.org

Thank you from your Reuben Hoar Library Board of Trustees, 2010

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