



## **ANNUAL REPORT**

to our community  
Year 2013



Valatie Free Library  
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## **2013 In Review**

2013 was a busy year at the Valatie Free Library. We continued to work on finalizing plans for a beautiful and functional facility for the whole community and planned fundraisers and researched grants to help pay for the renovation.

We continued our programming for kids with our weekly story hour, kids' crafts, Mud Creek Environmental Programs. We provided services for Head Start and Little Falls Day Care. And the children enjoyed our annual Doll Tea.

Throughout the year children and adults took part in chess, game nights, our annual Photo Competition and Exhibit, paper crafting and the Winter Walk along with knitting and crocheting, book club, book signings, E-book use and a Valentine's craft.

From July through mid-August our summer program included a graphic novel workshop, Paws to Read program, story hour and Teacher Tuesdays (stories read by teachers and crafts). The older children created photo books to be enjoyed by our younger patrons. There were Wednesday night presentations, felting, art and a reading challenge.

From Monday through Saturday, the library was the place to visit to use our computers or wireless connection for your own computers, to search for books, CD's and DVDs or just to sit and read the paper.

## **Fast Facts for 2013**

Total Circulation Transactions: 22,158  
Children's Items Borrowed: 13,102  
Reference Questions Answered: 156  
Total Items in Collection: 19,019  
New Library Acquisitions (all formats): 3,092  
Interlibrary Loans Received: 6,150  
Interlibrary Loans Borrowed: 2,648  
Library Programs: 179  
Program Attendance: 2,078  
Registered Borrowers: 1,847  
Library Visits: 10,204  
Weekly Hours: 36  
Library Website Visits: 16,861  
Operating Budget: \$ 75,354  
Operating Expense: \$79,470

## **2013 Income**

Total Local Public Funds \$70,333  
State & Federal Funds \$1,482  
Gifts and Endowments \$1,573  
Fund Raising \$557  
Other Income \$1,409  
Grants: \$15,400

## **2013 Expense**

Staff \$45,496  
Collection \$8,442  
Interest Payments \$2,281  
Building Maintenance/Utilities \$3,893  
System Expenditures \$4,798  
Miscellaneous Expense \$14,560

## **Valatie Free Library**

### **The Board of Trustees**

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### **Our Library Director**

Elizabeth Powhida

### **Our Staff**

Becky Hoff, Assistant Director  
Lesley Hallenbeck, Program Coordinator  
Mimi Johnson, Part Time Staff Librarian

### **Hours**

Monday 12p - 7p  
Tuesday 12p - 6p  
Wednesday 12p - 6p  
Thursday 3p - 8p  
Friday 10a - 5p  
Saturday 9a - 2p  
Sunday Closed