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Dear Library Members and Patrons,

This year has been filled with lots of activity; with over 2,000 more circulated items than in 2009 and over 40,000 patron visits, we've been pretty busy! We've also hosted authors, musicians, lecturers and artists to entertain us, educate us and bring us together as a community. Our grant-sponsored Raising Readers program has been wildly successful. Kathy Miller, Children's Librarian, has welcomed packed houses at her weekly preschool story times at the library and at several local day cares. Raising Readers also allowed us to introduce Early Literacy Kits and Let's Go! Kits for our young readers, and we can't seem to keep them on the shelves!

Year after year we're amazed by the support we receive from our community, and 2010 was no different. We depend on our members (whose donations support library materials and services) and endowment contributors (whose donations provide for the library's stable future) to keep our doors open. *Thank you!* And when you see our elected officials, please tell them how important the Seneca Falls Library is to you - they need to know!

I'd also like to thank Mike and his dedicated staff for the great job they're doing. As always, please let us know if you have any suggestions about how we can better serve you. Your feedback is so important to us. In the summer of 2010, we said good-bye to our long-time director of development, Jackie Grey. She's having a great time in retirement, and Nickie Marquis has picked up where she left off.

Many Thanks,

Gretchen Koch
President, Board of Trustees

PS - Please join us for the **Annual Meeting**
on Monday, June 13th at 5:30 PM.

Current members are entitled to vote for open trustee positions at that time. We hope to see you there!

HIGHLIGHTS:

2010 BY THE NUMBERS

Programs were both plentiful and well-attended: 5,528 people came to 151 free programs at the library.



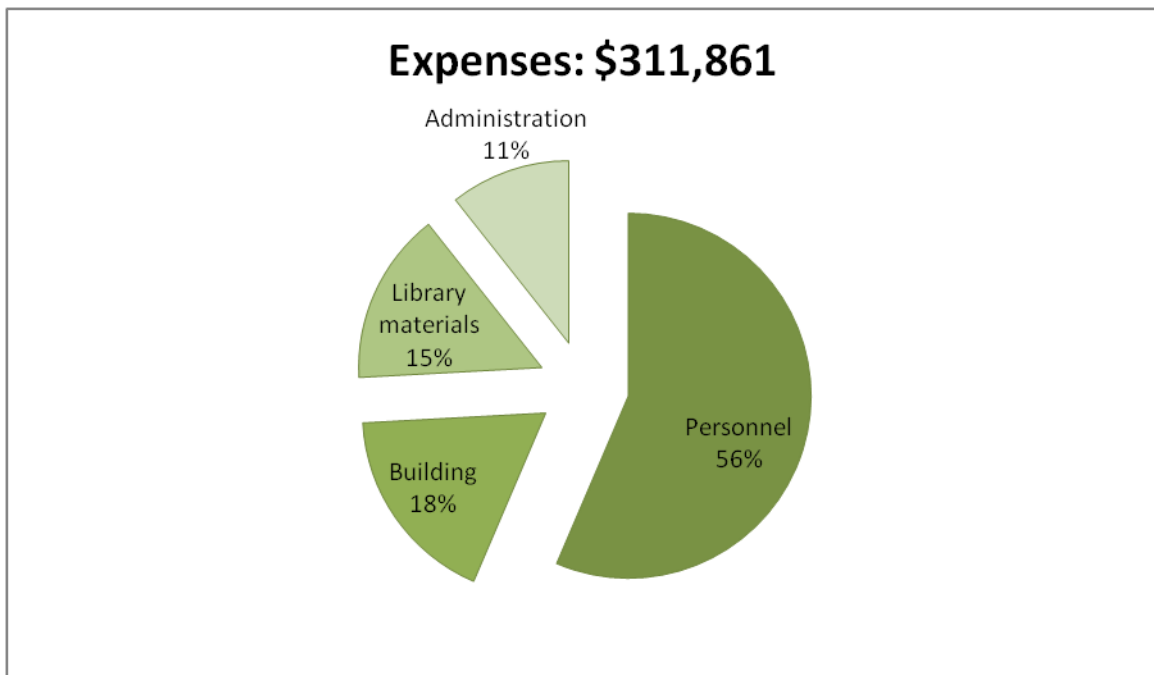
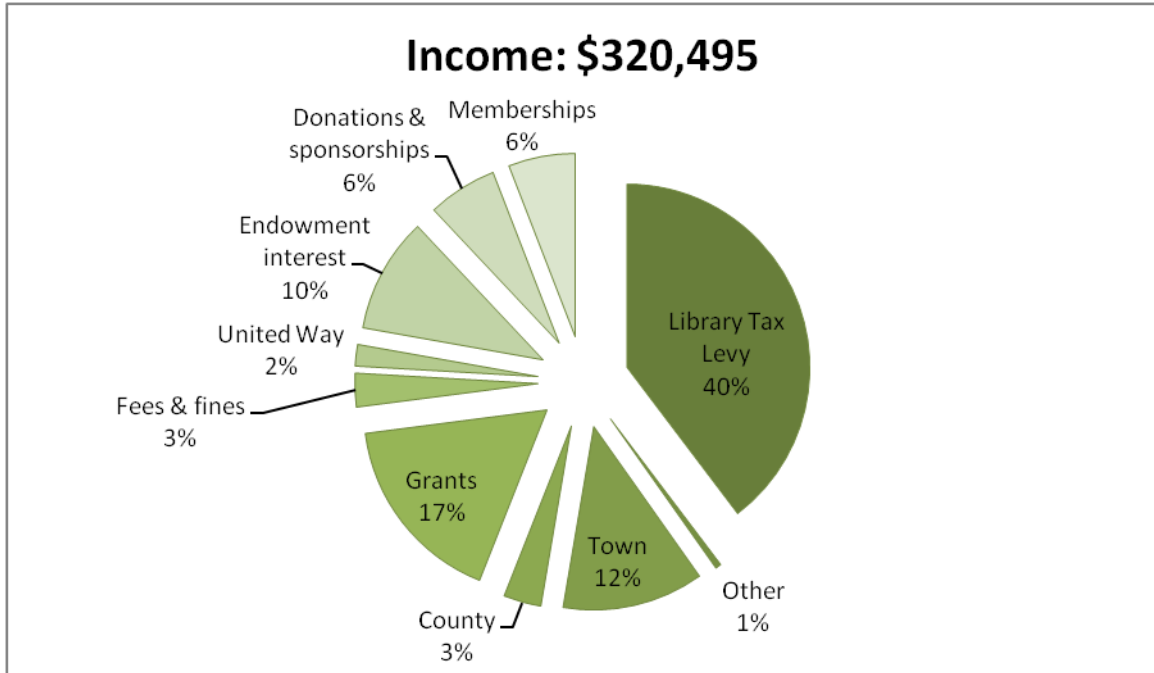
Library use remained high in 2010, with 40,099 visits to our building and an average of well over 3,000 visits each month. Our busiest month? November, with 3,973 visits!

Circulation of materials rose to 45,909 items, up from 43,606 in 2009. We also **loaned** 4,669 items to patrons of other libraries and **borrowed** 7,228 items from other libraries for Seneca Falls patrons.

Computer use soared to record levels in 2010, reaching 14,212. That figure *doesn't* include the many patrons who bring their own laptops to take advantage of our free WiFi!

We provided free **meeting room space** to 27 local groups, which includes a full kitchen and access to equipment for presentations.

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