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Dear Friends,

The Long Lake Public Library Board of Directors gratefully continues to acknowledge your support of the library since the beginning of our endeavors in 2006. Your generous contributions of funds, books, time and encouragement, have helped make this regional library a true resource for our community. With this fundraiser/newsletter, we appeal to your generosity once again. We also would encourage you to consider "Planned Giving", a way to assure your support for the library as part of your legacy. This method of giving will enable the library's services to continue well into the future.

The library directors continue to work to implement the library's goal of providing quality materials and services to the people of our region. We work in collaboration with the Maine State Library (MSL) so the library can provide programs like the MSL-Network Internet, wireless connection and Interlibrary Loans. The staff also makes use of online webinars and take part in MSL regional meetings. This helps library staff to keep in touch with issues of the library world, as well as learning new ways to improve library services.

We manage our data with the Follett Destiny Management System which has allowed us to have a 12,894 book collection on our website at [www.longlakepubliclibrary.org](http://www.longlakepubliclibrary.org). This also allows the public to view our catalog online. These programs continue to be maintained by Technology Consultants, a locally owned business.

Local genealogists, Walter Fournier and Murielle Nadeau Deschaine, donated their genealogy collections to the library. This wealth of information and research material enables people to explore their own ancestry. Patrons can also access the Ancestry.com site which is provided to the library by MSL. In winter the library also houses the Ste-Agathe Historical Society's albums which are available for perusal.

The library staff participated in two separate programs through the Maine Humanities Council:

1. "Let's Talk About It' is an adult reading and discussion program sponsored by The Maine Humanities Council's Center for Books. (No funds exchanged but service rendered)
2. "READ ME" is a statewide adult summer reading program and through it we hosted the Maine author, Debra Spark.

The library has received two (2) grants:

1. The Rose and Samuel Rudman Library Trust helped add 80+ books to the Young Adult collection.
2. The Stephen and Tabitha King Foundation funds will help improve our technology and Connectivity.

In July of 2017, the Long Lake Public Library hired a part-time librarian to help our director, Jackie Ayotte, to manage the library. Deborah Lavoie comes to us with a Masters in Library Information and Science. This gentle, soft-spoken woman makes everyone feel welcomed, and her expertise with information gathering, whether it is electronic content or material within the library walls, will enable all to have a positive library experience. We invite you to come visit, use the services, and let us know what else you would like to see happening at the library. We welcome your suggestions.

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