



**THE MERRICK LIBRARY**

**VOTING INFORMATION**

**REGISTRATION**

Katherine E. Reif  
Administration Center  
21 Babylon Road  
Merrick, NY 11566  
9 a.m. to 4 p.m.  
(when school is in session)

**You must register if...**

- You did not vote in the past four years on either the school or library budget or...
- you are not currently registered for general elections or...
- you are a new resident.

**BUDGET MEETING**

Tuesday, April 13, 2010  
at 7:00p.m.  
in the Merrick Library  
Children's Storytime room

**LIBRARY BUDGET VOTE AND TRUSTEE ELECTION**

Wednesday, April 14, 2010  
from 9 a.m. to 8:45 p.m.  
in the Merrick Library  
Multipurpose room

**To vote you must be...**

- A U.S. Citizen, 18 or older
- A resident of the district 30 days prior to vote
- Currently registered.

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

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<b>PROPOSED BUDGET FOR 2010/11</b>		
Expenditures	2009/10	2010/11
<b>PERSONNEL</b>	<b>\$1,425,697</b>	<b>\$1,411,201</b>
Employee Benefits	435,266	479,202
Books	131,000	129,000
Video/DVD	22,500	20,000
Books on Tape & CD's	23,050	24,550
Serials/Magazines & Databases	58,000	60,000
Non-Books & Misc.	4,500	4,500
Programming & Printing	52,000	54,000
Data for Internet	6,000	8,500
Public Use Computers	14,500	14,000
OPAC & Interloan	32,500	32,500
NLS Delivery Service	5,000	6,500
<b>LIBRARY MATERIALS &amp; SERVICES TOTAL</b>	<b>349,050</b>	<b>353,550</b>
<b>CAPITAL EXPENSE</b>	<b>10,000</b>	<b>10,000</b>
Utilities	112,750	103,250
Custodial Supplies	11,500	12,500
Building Contracts	29,075	36,800
Insurance	41,250	41,750
Janitorial Contracts	21,200	19,700
<b>BUILDING MAINTENANCE TOTAL</b>	<b>215,775</b>	<b>214,000</b>
Office/Library Supplies	32,500	33,500
Telephone	12,600	11,700
Mailing	6,550	4,500
In-Service Training	13,500	13,200
Office Contracts	4,000	4,100
Professional Fees	17,750	17,750
Membership Dues	1,850	2,080
Library Contracts	29,850	33,450
<b>LIBRARY OPERATIONS TOTAL</b>	<b>118,600</b>	<b>120,280</b>
<b>TOTAL OPERATING BUDGET</b>	<b>\$2,554,388</b>	<b>\$2,588,233</b>
Debt Service	695,000	695,000
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>\$3,249,388</b>	<b>\$3,283,233</b>
Less Anticipated Receipts	76,000	76,000
Tax Appropriation	3,173,388	3,207,233
<b>ANTICIPATED RECEIPTS</b>	<b>3,173,388</b>	<b>3,207,233</b>
Tax Appropriation	3,173,388	3,207,233
State & Local Aid	1,000	1,000
Other Income	75,000	75,000



**TRUSTEES MESSAGE: DETAILING SOME OF THE PAST YEAR'S INNOVATIONS**

**Adult Services:** During the past year, as part of the Overdrive consortium, we expanded the number of downloadable audio-books available. In addition, we can now offer downloadable e-books which are compatible with the SONY Reader and the Barnes & Noble Nook. New non-fiction books have been reorganized into broader categories, making the titles easier to find than the Dewey numbers used in the regular non-fiction section.

Our ever-changing technological innovations include a Facebook page, Twitter account, a Reader's Advisory blog and the Text-a-Librarian service which allows patrons to text message their questions directly to the library. Our Book Club in a Bag service now includes access to titles from other libraries, bringing the total number of book kits to 31.

**Circulation:** Courtesy notices reminding patrons when items are due are now sent by e-mail. Hold pick up notices, letting you know when to pick up your reserved books, are also now sent by e-mail.

**Teen Services Department:** We continue to work together with the other local libraries in the Bellmore-Merrick Central High School District to cut costs of the programs for teens. For example, the payment for six sessions for the summer Beach Bag Book Club was divided among four libraries. As a result, teens had a unique chance to meet six popular authors who came to the Merrick Library Wing last summer. The same cost-effective principle was applied to our End of the Summer and Little Coffee Shop of Horrors programs.

**Childrens Department:** The Children's room has added an icon on the Kids page that will take you to news about the "corner of 5th & 6th". Click on it to find out what programs are being offered, which new books are going to be "must reads" and what's happenin' for 5th & 6th graders! We have also expanded our music CD collection and added many new circulating CD-ROM games for enjoyment at home.

During the fiscal year (July 1, 2008 – June 30, 2009), we have provided our patrons with the following:

	Previous Year Programs	Current Year Programs
<b>Teen Programs</b>	77	81
<b>Attendees Teen Programs</b>	808	1066
<b>Childrens Programs</b>	286	317
<b>Attendees Childrens Programs</b>	4,136	5,690
<b>Adult Programs</b>	346	408
<b>Attendees Adult Programs</b>	6477	8004

	2008	2009
<b>CIRCULATION STATISTICS</b>		
<b>Adult books, fiction and non-fiction</b>	84,884	89,936
<b>Children's books, fiction and non-fiction</b>	41,462	46,861
<b>Adult Media (CD's, DVD's, etc.)</b>	79,547	82,037
<b>Children's Media</b>	14,148	16,227
<b>Number of people using library</b>	219,056	221,282
<b>In-library computer usage</b>	51,856	51,954

The Merrick Library Board of Trustees and the administration of the Library thank you for your ongoing support. We shall continue to expand our services and offer a community center engendering pride for the Merrick community, while containing costs.



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**Library Budget Vote April 14, 2010**

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