Exeter Public Library
Trustees Minutes
**May 24, 2011**

Present: F. Donovan, J. Henson, G. Kenney, M. LaFreniere, K. McCarthy, B. Young, H. Godino.
Absent: P. Aten, J. Battles, B. Crespi

**Call to Order and Roll Call**: 6:31 pm.

The Minutes of the last meeting were accepted.

**Director's Report:**

On June 15, the morning book group will be discussing Island Beneath the Sea by Isabel Allende. On June 8, the evening book group will be discussing Losing Mum and Pup by Christopher Buckley.

The Seabreeze Quilters meet on Tuesdays at 9 am. Morning knitting meets on Thursdays at 11 am and the Night Knitting Circle meets on Mondays 6 pm.
All these events are free and open to the public. For more information please call the library.

We continue to bring books and book talks or readings to WIC and the local senior facilities.

On June 11, the sixth grade book group will discuss The London Eye Mystery by Siobhan Dowd and the seventh and eighth grade group will discuss Things Not Seen by Andrew Clements. On June 24, the high school group will discuss House Rules by Jodi Picoult.

Teen summer reading, "CU Around" begins Monday June 27. Special events are scheduled for Tuesdays and include Geocaching, a music program in the park, frozen t-shirts, jewelry making, and a bowling party. There will also be Mexican cooking program and our usual book bingo, trivia contests and double coupon weeks.

The session for both the LapSit and Story Hour sessions began on May 9th and will go for 6 weeks. The number of the participants in the LapSit program is limited to 10 toddlers and their caregiver for each session. Six preschool Story Times are offered each week. Eighty children have registered for this Story Hour session. The books and crafts for this session revolve around spring flowers and spring showers.

During the week of May 16th, the children in the Story Hour sessions were treated to stories read by Exeter's Department Managers and the Town Manager. The readers included Russ Dean, Town Manager; Jennifer Perry, Director of the Department of Public Works, Linda Hartson, Town Clerk, Doreen Ravell, Finance Director, Sylvia von Aulock, Town Planner, and Doug Eastman, Building Inspector. We wish to thank all of them for taking time from their busy schedules to read to the children.

The six children's book groups meet the second Saturday of each month. A total of 113 children are currently registered. Book & Art will read Little Rat Rides, the Book Bunch will read Happy Birthday, Bad Kitty, Dewey's Book Buds will read Mudshark, and the PageTurners will read Wolf Brother.

All group members will participate in different games including Pictionary, Bingo and Concentration.

The 2011 summer reading program "One world… Many Stories" begins with sign-up the week of July 4th. All special events are scheduled on Wednesdays and will include Awsome Animal Adventure (all reptiles), the Annual Stuffed Pet show, the Pumpernickel Puppets, Ceramic painting, mime Robert Rivest, and magician Peter Boie. Summer story times will be Tuesdays and Thursdays 10 am and 2 pm with Open Art every Monday and Friday from 11 am to 2 pm.

Sully's Ice Cream will give each child who signs up for the Summer Reading Program a free kiddie cone. Other local businesses who are offering coupons include Arnold's Bakery Thrift Store, The Chocolatier, Clyde's Cupcakes, Exeter Bowling Lanes, Me & Ollie's Café, Party People, Puddlejumpers, St. Anthony's Bakery, Stillwell's Riverwalk Ice Cream, To Your Art's Content, and Whirlygigs. Monetary donations were given by Burnham Dry Cleaners, Exeter Jewelers and Ruffner Real Estate.

**Operating Statement:**

Hope said that there is nothing unusual for this time of year.

**Building, Grounds and Technology:** -0-

**Fundraising & Finance**:

Hope reported that over $15,000 has been donated to the Building Fund. With this money, she has purchased a 5-year bond at 5% interest.

**Personnel & Policy**: -0-

**Social:**

Gwen reported that the Staff Appreciation dinner was a lot of fun. She thanks the staff for all their work. She passed around a note from the staff thanking the Trustees for the party.

**Continuing Business:** -0-

**New Business:** -0-

**Next Meeting:** June 28, 2011 at 6:30 p.m.

**Meeting Adjourned: 6:41 pm**

Pam Darlington