The Booth & Dimock Memorial Library

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Dear Friends and Neighbors,

The last year has been a time of change and uncertainty. The COVID-19 Pandemic shifted our lives in ways we never thought possible. Throughout this pandemic, the Booth & Dimock Memorial Library has remained a place where community members can visit to get information, reading materials, movies, reference help, and access to online services – even if those visits are to our website!

Amongst the bad of 2020, we were still able to create and acknowledge the good. Here at the Booth & Dimock Memorial Library we celebrate the good, knowing that from March 2020 - October 2020 we issued new library cards to 96 individuals, offered 195 virtual programs that 3,469 people attended from their homes, created a curbside program that has been used by 1,723 people so they could safely use the library, answered 2,003 reference questions – many of them over the phone, hosted 27,969 Wi-Fi sessions – many accessed from our parking lot, and loaned 5,071 e-books to people when they were unable to visit the library to get a hardcover book.

Additionally, we celebrate an approved referendum that will transform the library into a building capable of fulfilling modern needs. As such, all proceeds from this year's membership drive will be designated toward supplementing the renovation project.

We recognize the hardships you may have endured over the year, but we ask you to help us celebrate the good by becoming a member of the Booth & Dimock Memorial Library Association and making a gift to our Annual Membership Drive. Please consider renewing or beginning your membership to the Booth & Dimock Memorial Library by filling out the enclosed card, or by making a PayPal donation @BDMLibrary. All donations to the Booth & Dimock Memorial Library are tax deductible.

To those of you who have given generously in the past, we extend our continued thanks. To our new donors, we welcome you and thank you for supporting the Booth & Dimock Memorial Library. Your membership is an important contribution as we continue to plan and celebrate the future by continuing to serve the informational, educational, cultural, and creative needs of the community.

Sincerely,

The Trustees of the Booth & Dimock Memorial Library: Joseph Jankowski, Timothy Timberman, Elizabeth Parda, Jacob Orcutt, Cory Chilberg, Claire Twerdy, Linda Williams, and Kathleen Willett