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\$13.00 from book bag sales for a total of \$1838.00.

The volunteers who gave so generously of their time were: Dave Birchenough, Joy Birdsey, Linda Cates, Rick Church, Martha Collins, Maury Collins, Sandy Ferguson, Kris Finnegan, Jocey Frederick, Ian Frederick, Elaine Giacomo, Lumina Greenway, Joan Griffith, Warren Hammack, Dustin Howe, Bruce McSheehy, Margaret Schillemat, Laurie Smith, Peter Smith, Richard Thackston, Russ Thomas, and Pamela White. We are grateful for their help.

LIBRARY NEWS

from Kris Finnegan

The Olivia Rodham Memorial Library has had a very busy year. This year the overall use of the library is up 21%, with a 32% rise in adult use, and a 73% increase in patrons coming in to use the wi fi for computers.

We attribute this to the decline in the economy, our streamlined hours, an added two hours to the schedule (run by volunteers), a downloadable book program for audio books (<http://nh.lib.overdrive.com>) and the addition of high speed internet available



NEWS FROM THE FRIENDS OF THE OLIVIA RODHAM LIBRARY

The Annual Meeting of the Olivia Rodham Library was held on July 29, 2009 at the library. The following officers were elected:

President, Susan Hansel; Treasurer, Betsey Church; Secretary, Carol Heath; Members-at-large, Martha Collins, Elaine Giacomo, and Sandy Ferguson.

The Annual Book Sale was a success again this year. We had many volunteers to sort books in the weeks before the sale and to move them from the basement of the library to the Town Hall the Wednesday before Old Home Day. The Sale Preview for Nelson residents was held Friday night the 14th and it was well attended. The sale generated \$979.75 from materials sold, \$845.25 from membership dues and

The Friends donated \$1000 to the library to purchase books, \$470 to plant a maple tree in front of the library, \$75 for gift certificates to the Toadstool for the children who complete the summer reading program and \$650 for the matching grant for the computer from the Gates Foundation.

Anyone who wishes to volunteer at the library should contact the librarian, Kris Finnegan. Volunteer help is a vital part of keeping our terrific library up and running. Just a few hours a week make a big difference.



On Winter...

There is a privacy about it which no other season gives you.... In spring, summer and fall people sort of have an open season on each other; only in the winter, in the country, can you have longer, quiet stretches when you can savor belonging to yourself.

~Ruth Stout

ANIMATERRA
Women's Chorus in Concert
Allison Aldrich, Director

<p>Friday December 11 Unitarian Universalist Church 25 Main St. Peterborough, NH 7:30 pm</p>	<p>Saturday December 12 Unitarian Universalist Church 69 Washington St. Keene, NH 7:30 pm</p>
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\$10 donation requested \$6 Students and Seniors
A portion of the proceeds will benefit MANY Options, a program of Monadnock Family Services
Also, please bring non-perishable food items for local food pantries

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