

**Staff Report #5**  
**Sultan Library Board Meeting**  
**Librarian's Report**  
December 3, 2009

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**2009 Library Activity:**

	Aug	Sept	Oct
Items Borrowed	11,081	11,025	11,936
Door Count	7,253	6,929	7,675

**Building**

- November 3rd Library Levy election was successful with 53.1% voter approval
- Circulation is up 15%!
- Customers flood in to the library when we open each day
- The city recently posted signs in the parking lot to limit parking only to customers of the library and city hall

**Staff**

- Jackie participated in the citizen panel at the Gold Bar Elementary Mock Town meeting held for 5<sup>th</sup> graders to experience discussing an election issue, the library levy. Very impressive questions from students!
- We have two new volunteers working and more ready to get started

**Services**

- Sultan Library will soon receive several netbook computers for job seekers to use in the library. Funding for this comes from the Washington State Library/Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation grant to public libraries. Six other Sno-Isle libraries will also receive the netbooks.
- Dawn recently visited Sultan Elementary Kindergarten classrooms to share a story and talk about the library
- Jackie recently again saw the great value of our automotive databases in action when a very satisfied patron received timely information printed on the spot for his repair need
- Patrons are very happy with the new genre labeling and filing in our DVD section

### **Library Events**

- In 2010, Sultan will be receiving additional program funds for teen programming and will be conducting community “asset mapping” to learn what is most desired and needed for teens at the library.
- Author Richard Farr discussed his book Emperors of the Ice in late October. It was a very enjoyable, informative evening
- Baby Storytime starts up again on Thursdays in December
- For the late December school break, the library will have many programs for school-age children and families; including a Rumpelstiltskin puppet show, a beading program, and a program about birds and creating a bird feeder to take home
- A 100 year birthday for Sultan Library occurs in Spring 2009
- “What’s Happening” calendars list lots of other events at nearby branches as well and events can also be found at [www.sno-isle.org](http://www.sno-isle.org)