

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

November 2006

Director's Report and Highlights
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It's a good thing that you all like to read! In preparation for our meeting, you have some exciting material to review (and lots of it). In addition, because of our full agenda, Alan and I anticipate that our meeting will last beyond our usual 4:30, so we ask that you be prepared to stay longer if necessary – thank you!

At the end of each year we have some of those important things to accomplish, such as:

Approving our **Interlocal Agreement** with Whatcom County Library System

Our agreement is the same as the past few years, with a cost of living increase to the payment they make to Bellingham Public Library. The revised agreement is enclosed, and it includes an updated Memorandum of Agreement on our shared Telephone Messaging System.

Setting our **2007 Library Board meeting dates and times**

Be thinking about what day of the week and time of day works best for you and for members of the public, as they are encouraged to attend our meetings. Based on previous Board meeting schedules, a tentative list of dates is enclosed.

Approving **2007 Library closures**

A memo for your consideration is enclosed, detailing Easter Sunday, Summer Sundays, and Veteran's Day in 2007.

Fairhaven Branch Library Condition Assessment

Representatives from BOLA Architecture + Planning are attending our meeting to share the final draft of the Fairhaven Branch Library Condition Assessment. A copy is included in your packet, which should address the comments and questions you submitted after receiving the draft in October.

Policies

We have not reviewed policies recently, and have two for you to review, and approve if you agree with the contents. These are included in your packet as well.



Happy Thanksgiving!

Among the family and holiday flurry, I am grateful – every day – for the dedicated staff and board members who make this one of the best public libraries in the nation.

A heartfelt THANK YOU to each member of the staff, each board member, and to the public who supports Bellingham Public Library.