

# The Newsletter of the November 2011, Vol. 5 Num. 11 Albany County Public Library

## Annual Reports

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### Library Information & Hours of Operation

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**Laramie**  
Tues.-Thurs. 10 a.m.-8 p.m.  
Fri.-Sun. 1 p.m.-5 p.m.

**Centennial**  
Mon.-Fri. 11 a.m.-3 p.m.

**Rock River**  
Wed. 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.  
1:30 p.m.-4:30 p.m.

All branches will be closed  
Thanksgiving Day, Christmas  
Eve, Christmas Day, New  
Year's Eve, and New Year's  
Day.

An amazing thing happened at the Albany County Public Library Foundation in FY 2011. Almost everything went exceeded expectations! The most important was the growth of our endowment. On June 30, 2010, our total assets were \$1.427 million dollars. Today, our total assets are over \$1.7 million.

This is due to four main factors. The first was a \$100,000 bequest by the late Agnes Milstead. Her generous gift is the largest bequest we have received. It was put into a restricted fund that will not be touched until 2013. After that, only a percentage of accumulated gains will be used to assist the library. The remainder will grow this fund to support the library in perpetuity.

The second factor is the hard work of Walt Werner. He was a visiting professor in the Economics and Finance Department at the University of Wyoming, teaching courses on investing. Walt served on the ACPLF board of



directors and has been our pro bono financial advisor for over a decade. He has provided a steady, knowledgeable hand in guiding our investments, and deserves the credit for our portfolio's growth.

The third factor is the Wyoming Public Libraries Endowment Challenge. Thanks to former Governor Dave Freudenthal, Governor Matt Mead, and the state legislature, we have received well over a half a million dollars in state funding since mid-2008, matching donations 3:1.

The last, and most important, factor are our donors. Generous and continuing support has enabled the library foundation to meet its mission of generating funds through gifts, endowments, memorials and special programs to improve the Albany County Public Library.

We gave the library over \$46,000 in direct funding in FY 2011. Over \$30,000 was spent on new books and library materials. Almost \$4,000 went toward installation of a new print management system for public access computers. We also spent money on library van repair and maintenance, technology, and support for the Laramie 20/30 program.

Since 2006, the foundation has sponsored a free income tax preparation for low and moderate income households. In 2011, foundation volunteers completed 711 tax returns for Albany County residents. Program participants were refunded over \$900,000, an average of about \$1,300 per household. In 2012, we plan on adding sessions on Tuesday evenings.

Finally, I am stepping down as head of the library foundation to work for the United Way of Albany County. It has been an honor to serve as the foundation's first executive director. Working together, we accomplished a lot, and I hope you will continue supporting this great organization.

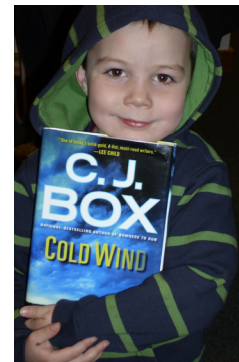
Paul Heimer

## FY2011 Programs at ACPL

	Laramie		Centennial		Rock River	
	# events	# people	# events	# people	# events	# people
Adult program	68	1,274	11	133	N/A	N/A
Adult tours	4	84	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Meetings	93	2,548	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
YA programs	52	483	1	6	N/A	N/A
Child program	56	1,524	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Child tour	5	97	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Storytime	305	7,985	86	678	12	35
Stories @ the parks	35	429	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Community	3	1,356	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

## Active Cards

Laramie	19,760
Centennial	202
Rock River	200



## FY2011 Circulation Statistics

	Laramie	Centennial	Rock River
Adult books	57,657	434	450
YA books	10,047	73	10
Juv books	68,445	1,716	403
Large print	6,733	N/A	N/A
Spanish	657	N/A	N/A
Non-book	N/A	272	132
CD Book	9,715	N/A	N/A
CD Music	11,327	N/A	N/A
CD Software	838	N/A	N/A
Netlibrary	758	N/A	N/A
Non-circ	1,405	N/A	N/A
Uncat PBK	764	N/A	N/A
Listen/Read RTN	6,110	N/A	N/A
AV equipment	13	N/A	N/A

## Interlibrary Loan

Sent to WY libraries	1538
Rec'd from WY libraries	1843
Sent to other libraries	908
Rec'd from other libraries	323

## Computer Users

Laramie	24,220
Centennial	650
Rock River	742



	Adult	Young Adult	Children/Juv
Periodicals	5,752	251	229
AV	2,346	25	646
Video/DVD	9,967	173	5,816

## FY2011 Return on Investments for ACPL

143,886	Books (\$15*)	\$2,158,290
6,666	Read & Return (\$7)	\$46,662
6,232	Magazines (\$2)	\$12,464
15,956	DVD/videos (\$4)	\$63,824
3,017	CD, audiotapes, etc (\$4)	\$12,068
13,189	Reference assists (\$7)	\$92,323
25,612	Computer users (\$12)	\$307,344
4,039	Adult programs (\$10)	\$40,390
11,237	YA/juv programs (\$6)	\$67,422
608	Home deliveries (\$10)	\$6,080
2066	ILL requests (\$25)	\$51,650
	Total	\$2,858,517
	Tax payer investment	\$619,265
78%	ROI	\$2,239,252

## Visits

Laramie	125,900
Centennial	2,276
Rock River	732

## Reference Assistance

Laramie	13,068
Centennial	26
Rock River	95

\* values provided by the Wyoming Library Association

# Become a Friend of Albany County Public Library

Friends of Library help continue education, make technology purchases possible, provide library materials and more! Friends can attend our Members Only Book Sales and other promotions.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: (home) \_\_\_\_\_ (cell) \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Would you prefer to receive our newsletters via email? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Please choose one option:

\_\_\_\_\_ Individual Membership, \$10.00

\_\_\_\_\_ Household Membership, \$15.00

Cash or checks are accepted. Please make checks payable to Friends of the Library  
Membership forms may be mailed to 310 S. 8th Street, Laramie WY 82070.

Please direct any questions to Albany County Public Library: (307) 721-2580 ext 5456.

## 2010 Friends of the Library: Year-End Results

### How Money Was Used in FY 2010

Continuing Education	\$3,231
Equipment & Supplies	\$3,300
Public Relations	\$2,000
Staffing	\$1,320
Materials	\$16,500
Staff Longevity	\$500
Technology	\$2,750
Volunteer recognition	\$3,000
Book Sale Book Fund	1100
Centennial Book Drop	\$3,000



Book drop in Centennial, provided by the Friends of the Library

### Membership Report

311 current members

### Donations in 2010

3,932 books were added to the library collection from books donated to the Friends of the Library.

### Reimbursement

\$ 1577 for withdrawn books sold by Friends

### 2010 Book Sale Results

Recycle a Good Book	\$7,189
Misc Sales	\$588
Consignment	\$2,184
Jubilee Sale	\$6,137
Lobby Sales	\$1,141
November Sale	\$13,715
Farmer's Market	\$296
Internet	\$80

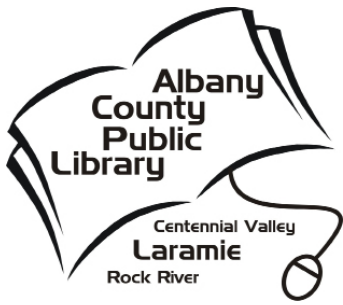
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## Donations are always accepted!

The Friends of the Library accepts ALL donations: textbooks, magazines, office supplies, paperbacks, hardbacks, fiction, etc.



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On a beautiful morning this fall, we had a report of the smell of gas. We evacuated the library while the fire department and the gas company investigated. Our ever-creative library staff made sure that the children at storytime were not disappointed. Plus they learned that books are enjoyable wherever you may find yourself!

Our thanks to the gas company and the Laramie Fire Department for their quick response!