



Dear Royalston Residents and other Friends,

The Friends of the Phinehas S. Newton Library invite you to **join or renew your membership** in the Friends of the Library for 2008. Please take a moment to send a donation. Thank you.

*A world of information and entertainment is available in our small town through a shared resource: the Phinehas Newton Library. Our Library is also an important community center where friendly connections are made and ideas exchanged. The Friends of the Library is an active volunteer group which assists the library director and the trustees in providing these services. New members and new ideas are always needed. Meetings are the 1st Thursday of the month, alternating times between 3:30 and 6:30 pm. (The March meeting will be in the evening.)*

**Accomplishments of the Friends of the Library over the past year include:**

- Producing, printing and mailing the 8th year of the *Royalston Community Newsletter* as well as an updated *Town Directory*, which were mailed to every household in town. This publication receives no Town funds and there are no paid employees.
- **Purchasing technology**, including a new bar-code scanner for the electronic card catalog and hardware for higher speed internet access as well as purchasing extras such as a laptop, an “all-in-one” fax, copier and scanner, DVDs, and audiobooks.
- **Facilitating enrichment programs**, which in '07 featured: local film-makers, authors and artists as well as painting and wheat weaving workshops, a contra dance, school vacation presentations, spooky storytelling, “wolf talk”, the Summer Reading Program, Cross Culture Club and the Royalston Shakespeare Company.
- **Recent fundraising efforts** included the annual plant sale, sales of local note-cards, books, posters, t-shirts as well as newsletter sponsorships, and a membership appeal.

**Some expenses anticipated in the upcoming year** are improving library technology, running numerous enrichment programs, funding library requests and publishing 10 issues of the Royalston Community Newsletter as well as an update of the Town Phone Directory.

The Friends of the Phinehas S. Newton Library appreciate your support.

**Friends of the Phinehas S. Newton  
2008 Membership & Contribution Form**

Name: _____	Memberships:		
	Single	\$2.00	_____
	Family	\$5.00	_____
Address: _____	Supporting	\$25.00	_____
_____	Donation	\$ _____	_____
Phone: _____	I would also like to buy a Newsletter sponsorship ad:		
	\$25.00/month x _____ = \$ _____		
Email: _____	\$200/year (10 issues) \$ _____		
	(we will contact you for display information)		

Tax deductible. Make checks payable to:  
Friends of the Phinehas S. Newton Library, PO Box 133, Royalston, MA 01368

I would like to help with Friends projects

**Thank You!**