

Report on 2008 Membership Mailing

On May 5, 2008, we mailed out over 700 letters seeking membership contributions. We solicited donations from friends in Alaska, Oklahoma, the Carolinas and Florida as well as in our neighboring states and communities. This was a typical Saranac Lake Free Library project, which our experienced staff and volunteers carried out like clockwork.

Betty Wadsworth drafted a very good letter asking for membership contributions, reflecting on our Centennial and reciting the library's recent accomplishments and goals. Betsy Whitefield and Pat Wiley worked with her on editing and proofreading.

Betsy worked with our printer to develop new letterhead and updated our data base. Jan Kibben helped her with the software to create the mailing list. Betsy printed out all the letters and envelopes.

Betty hand-signed all the letters and several board members and officers added personal notes.

A team guided by Marilyn Riotto assembled the letters for mailing. Volunteers included Eleanor Munn, Jeanne deMattos, Gloria Drucker, Linda Beairsto, and Pat Wiley.

Pat Wiley and Christy Fontana will handle contributions as they arrive. Betty has prepared a thank you letter that we will send to contributors. We will report to the Board as donations come in.