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Dear Friend and Neighbor,

July is a very important month at the Sherman Library, marking the kickoff of our Annual Membership Campaign. The Annual Appeal for new or continuing membership contributions is one of the most important sources of funding for the library. In addition to a generous grant from the Town of Sherman, the Library relies on gifts, foundation grants, and fundraising events throughout the year to help provide the rest of our operating budget. Your generosity in supporting the Library through annual membership and participation in these events is vital to the Library's mission.

This past year over 14,000 people visited the Sherman Library. The library held over 318 programs for adults and children, with more than 4550 people in attendance. Over 23,475 Library books and materials were borrowed. **You have helped make the Sherman Library a vibrant community asset, where people of all ages gather and participate in lifelong learning.**

The year 2022 was truly a year of gratitude and we are carrying this spirit into 2023 and beyond. We are grateful to the town and to all of you who have helped continue our library's commitment to the community by participating in our activities, volunteering your time, or financially contributing in some way. We are grateful that the pandemic is finally receding and that we can return to a more normal lifestyle.

Accept our heartfelt thanks in advance of this year's Membership Campaign. Please make your contribution using the enclosed envelope; contributions can also be made online at www.shermanlibrary.org or by scanning the QR code in this letter. You can also call 860-354-2455 with any questions or to make a contribution.

We look forward to seeing you at the Sherman Library. Happy summer!

Thank you,



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Board of Trustees President



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