Board of Trustees Meeting Report
January 21, 2010

HIGHLIGHTS
CALENDAR YEAR 2009
2008 fire caused Headquarters to close January – May 2009

Grand Reopening Headquarters
May 22, 2009
The Big Read 2009

*The Maltese Falcon*
60+ Programs
2,700+ Attended Programs

2010
*The Heart is a Lonely Hunter*
by Carson McCullers
Funded through $20K NEA grant
10th Year Branch Anniversaries

Spring Lake Branch
June 17, 2009

East Regional Branch
February 14, 2009
Winner 2008 NCPLDA Award for Outstanding Teen Program
Community Relations Honored

NC Public Library Directors Association
Outstanding Promotional Project “Older American’s Month” publicity

North Carolina Library Association’s First place for Best in Show Promotional materials for Native American cultural programming
West Regional Branch
Ground Breaking
April 21, 2009

Board Members
• Polly Davis,
• Maxine McCoy,
• Robin MacGregor
• Ole Sorensen

County Commissioner
• Breeden Blackwell

Opening August 2010
Author Events January - November

- John Hart
- Robert Morgan
- Amanda Lamb
- Margaret Maron
- Karen Spears Zacharias
- Therese Fowler
- P. T. Deuterman
- Elliot Engel
- Kevin Duffus

Big Read, Friends’ Monthly Authors, NC Literary Festival

Library Endowment Trust Annual Fundraiser with Clyde Edgerton November 9, 2009
Grants

- Big Read (NEA & Arts Council)
- Love and Forgiveness
  ALA/Fetzer Institute
- Planning Grant – Five Year Plan (LSTA)
- Storytelling Festival
  (Arts Council)
- Gates Foundation - Technology
- Foreign Language Center
  (LSTA) Materials Purchased
$6,000 Bequest

• Donated in memory of Steve Hudson, who passed away in August

• A musician and former president of the Cape Fear Blues Society

• Library will purchase books, CDs & instructional DVDs related to music with this generous donation
Library Services Implemented

Career Centers established in each facility

Laptops now available for check-out within Hope Mills Branch & Headquarters
Headquarters New Lighted Signage
Long Range Plan FY2011 – 2015

Opening the Word to You

- Planning meetings August through October
- Community Planning Group
- Staff Planning Group
- Approved by Library Board of Trustees December ‘09
- Implementation July 2010
Municipal Services Partnership (MSP)

- Collaboration with Fort Bragg’s John L. Throckmorton Library
- Meetings and Studies
- Presently not pursuing full service MSP contract
- Potential for MOA and smaller contracts between post library and county library in the next few years.
Cumberland County Outstanding Employee

- Bob Rochelle Facilities Manager
- For leadership following the fire at Headquarters Library
Cumberland County Storytelling Festival

October 31, 2009
Attendance 555

Additional children’s activities

David Holt performs
Answer Book — *hot off the press*

- Community Resource Guide
- Detailed listings for area agencies, clubs and organizations.
- Last published in 2001

The Friends donated copies to:
- Cumberland County Department of Social Services
- Sheriff’s Office
- Fayetteville, Hope Mills & Spring Lake police departments
Unique Management Services, Inc.

- Specializes in public library debt collection
- Customers with items overdue by six weeks or more & fines of $25 or more referred UMS
- System of letters and phone calls UMS encourages return of materials and payment of debt
- Polite & non-aggressive
- Assessment in 2010
Administration & Non-public Services Departments Returned in October