# Whitehall Rotary



Paul Buckley and Hank King were among the group of nine Whitehall Rotarians who volunteered to help at the Whitehall library last week. Photo courtesy of Arlene Weber

### Between the Stacks

#### by Jeannie Ferriss, Whitehall Community Library

I can't believe the Summer Reading program is half over this week. With the weeks flying by, I want to remind everyone that the Library will be closed on Tuesday, July 4th so the staff may celebrate with their families. The Library will be open regular hours the rest of the week and all regular programs will be held at normal times.

We had quite the crew in the Library a few days ago when the Rotary Club decided to hold a volunteer night at the Library. They tidied shelves, cut out name tags for programs, put DVD's and books away, made signs, and shredded. Thank you all for the sharing your evening to help the staff out!

ening to help the staff out! This is the week for Fantasy Thursday, June 29 at 2:30 p.m. in the basement. This is a discussion and craft group for 5th-8th graders who want to learn more about the newest fantasy series, meet new friends, and enjoy different crafts from the fantasy world.

Bonnie Graham will be here on July 5th at 10:30 a.m. to provide a program on drawing and art for our summer readers. She will be assisted by Kerry Kraha, a well-known local artist. They will be sharing their talents with everyone and even bringing a few works of art to display.

The next Library Board meeting will be held July 20th in Boulder at 6:30 p.m. I had my dates wrong on our calendars so if you are planning to

is July 20th! I am sorry for any inconvenience this may have caused.

One of the programs we are having in July is robot building. The staff asks your help in collecting any type of long or short paper tubes from wrapping paper, paper towels, toilet paper rolls, etc. Please drop these by the Library anytime and we will add them to our stash.

You may still sign up for summer reading as it is based on the number of minutes you read and not the number of books. Anyone from birth to 100 may sign up at the Library and begin collecting minutes for prizes. If you have any questions, please call us at 287-3763 or stop in!

## **Rotary Donation**



Whitehall Rotarian Millie Baycroft (right) presents Whitehall Librarian Jeannie Ferriss with a \$900 check to help with the summer reading program. Courtesy photo

# Money to assist reading program

The Whitehall Rotary Club presented a check for \$900 to the Whitehall Library on June 7th to help cover some of the costs of the summer reading program.

Rotary members Arlene Weber and Millie Baycroft presented the check to Jeannie Ferriss. Millie provided a brief explanation about how the money would be used to a group of children gathered for the start of summer program. Whitehall Rotary members will also be donating time at the library this summer to help with several projects related to the grant money given on June 7th.

Literacy is one area of focus for Rotarians worldwide.

The Whitehall club also donates dictionaries to area third graders, provides a bike safety education class for Whitehall third graders and helps to sponsor high school students to Boys and Girls State.

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Thank you to the Star Theater for the wonderful donation of \$400 to the Friends of the Library! I promise we will put the funds to good use on one of the many projects that are still in the planning stage!

Summer reading is done for the year. It was great to watch 148 readers log 100,130 minutes for the eight weeks. Patrons from toddlers to seniors read their favorite books, magazines, and electronic readers to earn three levels of prizes. Great job to all!

As the staff begins to move toward fall (yes already!), computer classes are open for registration. There will be Beginning, Advanced, and Advanced 2 classes starting in September. If you have taken any of the computer classes at the Library and wish to advance to the next level just call and register. I have many people signed up from last spring but if you are not sure you are on the list just call 287-3763 to check or register.

Also starting this fall is a beginning watercolor class. The class will be limited to 15 people and all supplies will be provided by the Library. If you would like to try your hand at this medium just let us know. Advanced classes will be starting in September again at their regular time on Wednesdays.

The History Book Club is reading "Undaunted Courage: Meriwether Lewis, Thomas Jefferson, and the Opening of the American West" by Stephen Ambrose. We have changed the meeting time this month to August 21 at 6:30 due to the Shakespeare in the Park on August 28. This way everyone will be able to enjoy both great programs.

The Mystery Book Club will be meeting on Tuesday, August 15 at 3:30 p.m. If you love to discuss your favorite mystery writers and their latest works,

come join us.

As a special thank you to all of the wonderful volunteers we had this summer, the Library will be hosting a Thank You Tea in their honor. We depend on our wonderful volunteers to do a number of things around the Library and this summer was no exception. With our summer reading membership up from 66 to 148, this summer would not have functioned nearly as smoothly as it did without our amazing helpers!