The Friends of the

M. N. Spear Memorial Library



Dear Community Members,

Shutesbury's New Library Fund has continued to make progress! Through the efforts of Spring Spruce Up volunteers, donors sending in annual pledge amounts and support from Annual Town Meeting, we have now saved \$183,009 toward a future library.

On Wednesday, December 10, 2014 the Friends of the M.N. Spear Library will participate in the *Valley Gives* program. This is a one-day, on-line collaborative fundraising effort for non-profit organizations, designed to share and strengthen the spirit of generosity in the Pioneer Valley. To bolster our efforts, we have a \$2,500 challenge gift from a long-time town resident, an ardent library supporter. If we can raise a matching amount of \$2,500 in on-line donations on December 10th, we are eligible for incentive rewards from the Community Foundation, the sponsor of *Valley Gives*. This could be a tremendous boost to our fundraising efforts - perhaps we can top the \$200,000 in 2014! For more information how to donate here is the website address: http://valleygives.razoo.com/story/Friends-Of-The-M-N-Spear-Memorial-Public-Library?referral_code=share

For better wi-fi access or help with the website, we are organizing a *Valley Gives* Donation Station at the M.N. Spear Memorial Library on December 10th, from 9:00 am to 8:00 pm. We'll have cider and donuts to share in the excitement of this daylong fundraiser. You can stop by or make your secure credit card donations on-line anytime after Dec. 1st. and no later than 11:59 pm Dec. 10th. Matching the challenge gift will be fantastic!

Every effort, every donation, moves us closer to realizing the educational and social benefits a new library would add to Shutesbury. We know and appreciate every little bit that helps a lot. We hope you'll join us for this opportunity to promote the goodness of giving.

Thanks for your support!

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