



**The Gold Coast
Public Library
has been very
busy this year.**

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So far in 2014

- **64 hours a week:** open the equivalent of 441 eight hour days a year.
- **82,756 visits** to the library from a chartered service area of 11,339 residents
- **96,025 books, DVDs, audio books and periodicals** checked out
- **11,149 reference questions** answered
- **6,987 public computer sessions** by our community
- **45,513 website visits** occurring **24/7/365** for information about library programs and services
- **508 programs** with attendance of 7,393
- **6,539 library cards** – 57.6% of residents

*Statistics through
October 31, 2014*

Dear Gold Coast Public Library Neighbor,

The statistics tell the story: the Gold Coast Library has become a valued institution in our community.

Demand continues to grow for library programs and services. We have the will. We have the staff.

We don't have the space.

The 4,400 square foot building we own, and the nearby Annex we rent, remain constantly in use and unable to meet demand. To continue as a vital and viable institution, your library needs more space.

As your elected library board of trustees, we have anticipated and grappled with this issue for several years. We want to provide you with a library that grows with what you, our community, want in library programs and services.

The Gold Coast Public Library board of trustees has begun contract negotiations with Halm Industries to acquire 180 Glen Head Road. The property sits between Glen Cove Drive, the American Legion Post 336, the Town of Oyster Bay Community Center and our much-used sports fields.

The board will not purchase the property without the consent of our community. A public referendum will take place in the spring of 2015. If approved, bonds will be issued to fund the acquisition.

As your elected representatives, we will ensure that you have both the information needed to make an informed decision and several opportunities to take part in shaping the outcome. We will host a series of public presentations and small group meetings. We will produce a dedicated website, email updates and distribute written materials. Also, we will sponsor design charrettes – meetings at which you have input into the architectural aspect of the planning process.

As a community, we took the first step together, in 2001, when we voted overwhelmingly to establish the Gold Coast Public Library. As a community, we will take the next step together, in 2015, by making a decision on the future of the Library in this important public corridor.

Watch the Library's website and your mail for more information on this exciting project. If you would like to discuss this initiative, please contact Michael Morea, our Library director, at mmorea@goldcoastlibrary.org or call 516-759-8300.

Thank you,

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