

Annual Report of Altamont Free Library For Year 1963

The seven-member board of trustees of the Altamont Free Library met 12 times in 1963. Board members, and the dates their terms expire, are: Mrs. Ellsworth Chesebro and Mrs. Alton Farnsworth, 1964; Chester Vanderpoel and Mrs. D. Wright Westfall, 1965; Mrs. Luther Secor, Mrs. Edward Heins, Luther Warner and John Cole, 1966. Mrs. Elma Keiter is librarian and Mrs. Chesebro is assistant librarian. Officers for 1963 were: Luther Warner, president; Mrs. Luther Secor, vice-president; Mrs. D. Wright Westfall, secretary; Mrs. Edward Heins treasurer.

Library affairs are handled by various committees. Mrs. Farnsworth and Mrs. Secor has prepared various items for publication in the Altamont Enterprise, giving the library much needed publicity. President Warner was chairman of administration and finance committee. Mrs. Chesebro and Mrs. Farnsworth were co-chairmen of the book committee, with Mrs. Oren Finch, Miss Ethel Crookes, Mrs. James Pino, Mrs. Elma Keiter and Mrs. Fred Field assisting.

Altamont Library is a member of the Upper Hudson Library Federation. The librarian and trustees attend regular meetings of the federation when new books and ideas are presented.

As of Dec. 31, 1963 there were 4,187 adult holdings in the library, and 1,774 youth books. Circulation increased 25 percent over 1962. The library subscribes to 15 magazines. As a new feature, a collection of phonograph records was added, with approximately 60 records available. A Wednesday morning story hour has also been inaugurated.

Library hours are Mondays and Fridays from 2 to 5 p. m. and 7 to 9 p. m.; Saturday from 10 a. m. to noon. Board meetings are at 3:30 p. m. on the third Tuesday of each month.

The trustees are grateful to the village of Altamont, the town of Guilderland, the Upper Hudson Library Federation, as well as to the residents of the community who aid in making the operation of the library possible.

Respectfully submitted,

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