

Thursday, February 18, 2010



Snapshot

ONE DAY IN THE LIFE OF CONNECTICUT LIBRARIES

On Thursday, February 18, 2010, libraries all over Connecticut took a 'snapshot' – collecting information to capture the impact that Connecticut libraries have on their communities on a typical day.

Snapshot Day @ a glance:

650 patrons visited the **Public Library of New London**

217 books, CDs, DVDs, and magazines were checked out

18 library cards were issued to new patrons

114 reference questions were answered

125 patrons used the Internet

3 library programs/classes took place

102 patrons participated in the programs/classes

Snapshots of the day!



Community Knitters showing off patterns



Community Knitters getting down to business



A mom and daughter strategizing the next move



Kids relaxing at their "home away from home"

**Patrons were asked,
“Why is the library important to you?”
and they responded!**

We’ve been going to libraries since I was a baby. They have books, CDs, and movies for my age. They have computer games I can learn from. They have toys and puzzles. I love our library!! – Kai G. (age 3)

It is a large part of our community where people of all kinds come together. – Peter R.

It’s a place to safely gather information. Without it we’d be lost. – Pedro M.

Because at this time I have very little money and to help with entertainment purposes, movies, books, etc. This place is saving my sanity right now. Thank you. – James L.

The library is an essential part of any community and a significant source of my own reading materials. – Karl-Erik S.

Quiet place to read and reflect, great to have interlibrary loans and computerized info renewals, etc. One of New London’s greatest treasures! – Dorothy S.

A great resource for New London. An important center for families and literacy. – Nicholas F.

Opens up my world. – Christina M

Usually I come here to relax and look at things I might be interested in; I’m always “self-educating”. – Edward J.

I love to read and it’s a free way for me to connect to others. – Marissa C.

Your programs are amazing! We are able to expose our three girls to science concepts that broaden their horizons to ideas beyond being a princess. —Natasha R.

It’s a vital part of our community for all members of New London. – Kerin W.

I bring my 10 month old daughter here to read and play while my son is at chorus practice every Saturday. – Michele



Kids learn about the different instruments of the world



Kids getting into the rhythms of Matica Music



Patrons learn the breathing techniques of Tai Chi



Patrons stretch it out during Tai Chi