

Mission

The Southern Tier Library System, a regional consortium of public libraries, works in partnership with its members to support and strengthen them through clearly defined, cost-effective services that make possible the coordination and sharing of resources, enabling all individuals in the five-county region to have equal access to excellent library service.

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Fifty-first Annual Meeting Southern Tier Library System October 25, 2011

AGENDA

- 5:00 Social Hour
5:40 Introductions
- Presentation of Award for Outstanding Support for Libraries
Remarks - Assemblyman Philip A. Palmesano
Assemblyman Christopher S. Friend
- 6:00 Dinner
- 7:00 Business Meeting
Welcome Bonnie Weber, President, STLS
Election of System Trustees, Judy Cross
Proposed By-Laws revision, Sherry Collins
Evaluation of System Services, Sherry Collins
Remarks, Bonnie Weber
Ristiina Wigg, Executive Director
- 7:30 *“Preparing Young People for the 21st Century”*
Michael Wetherbee, Superintendent of Schools,
Wayland-Cohocton Central Schools
- 8:00 Steve Berry, New York Times Best-selling Author
Interview Via Skype
- 8:30 Conclusion

Featured Speakers

Michael Weatherbee
Superintendent of Schools
Wayland-Cohocton Central Schools

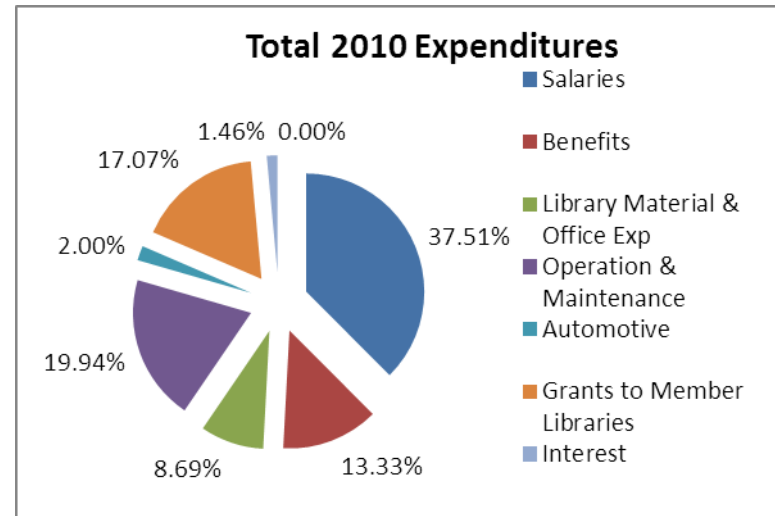


“We truly are living in a different world, one that seems to be changing on a daily basis. It is the responsibility of schools to create a new and better generation of programs and structures for our students.”

No organization, no matter how desirable and worthy it may be, can remain motionless in excellence.

We must help students prepare for the future. Wayland-Cohocton Central Schools is expanding learning opportunities to prepare young people to live in a globally connected world.”

		2010		
Expenditures		Operating Fund	Pass Through	Total Funds
1	Salaries	681,818		681,818
2	Benefits	242,248		242,248
3	Library Material & Office Exp	114,390	43,568	157,958
4	Operation & Maintenance	362,404		362,404
5	Automotive	36,365		36,365
6	Grants to Member Libraries	0	310,252	310,252
7	Interest	26,515		26,515
8	Miscellaneous	0		0
Total Expenditures		\$1,463,740	\$353,820	\$1,817,560
Temporarily Restricted				\$2,756
Increase in Unrestricted Net Assets				<u>\$ 122,646</u>



2010			
Revenue	Operating	Pass	Total

	Fund	Through	Funds
State Aid	1,305,688	298,273	1,603,961
Federal Aid	14,131		14,131
Member Reimbursements		-	0
Sponsoring municipalities		59,972	59,972
Cost Share & Processing Fees	191,153	570	191,723
Interest Income	3,452		3,452
Fines	-		0
Other Income	64,211		64,211
Total Revenue	\$1,578,635	\$358,815	\$1,937,450

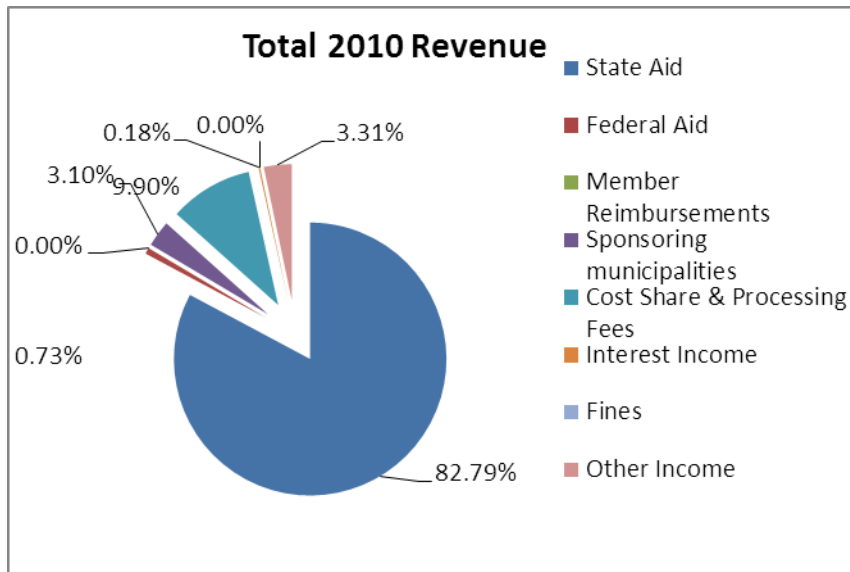


Steve Berry is the *New York Times* bestselling author of the Cotton Malone series featuring [The Jefferson Key](#), [The Emperor's Tomb](#), [The Paris Vendetta](#), [The Charlemagne Pursuit](#), [The Venetian Betrayal](#), [The Alexandria Link](#), and [The Templar Legacy](#). He also has three stand-alone thrillers: [The Third Secret](#), [The Romanov Prophecy](#), and [The Amber Room](#) --- and two e-book original short stories, [The Balkan Escape](#) and [The Devil's Gold](#).

He has 12 million books in print, which have been translated into 40 languages and sold in 51 countries. Steve's road to publishing was long and arduous, spanning 12 years and 85 rejections over 5 separate manuscripts. He's also an accomplished instructor, having taught writing to audiences across the globe.

When Steve's not writing, you can find him either on a beach, a golf course, or traveling --- discovering more things lost --- thinking of the next novel. He lives in the historic city of St. Augustine, Florida.

Steve and his wife Elizabeth have also started a foundation, History Matters, dedicated to aiding the preservation of our heritage. See <http://www.steveberry.org/berry-history.htm>



Steve Berry
New York Times Best-selling Author

2011 Outstanding Support for Libraries Award

Given in recognition of extraordinary contributions to the development, improvement or expansion of public library service for the residents of this region by the Southern Tier Library System Board of Trustees

Presented to:

David H. Crowley
Cuba Circulating Library

For being an avid proponent of the library and a very ACTIVE trustee, holding every office at least once and instrumental in raising the half million dollars needed to renovate and double the size of the library. David is an influential citizen who vocally supports the library and most recently has been instrumental in forming a coalition between the public school and public library.

- 2010** **Kris Bailey, Kenneth Canfield**, Howe Library, Wellsville
Revitalization of Friends group
- 2009** **Katherine Meade**, Taylor Memorial Library
Board president and chief fundraiser for new library
- 2008** **Albert H. Sadler**, Treasurer, Rushford Free Library
- 2007** **Vincent Bedient**, Modeste Bedient Memorial Library, Branchport
Donated land and funds to build the new library
- 2006** **Judy Mason, Camille Sechrist, Denny Smith, Benjamin Thomas**, Chemung County Library District
Visible faces, "Our Library, Our Decision" campaign
- 2005** **Judith White**, Dormann Library, Bath
Founding member, Friends of the Library
- 2004** **Roxanne Mark**, Horseheads Free Library
Past President, Friends of the Library
- 2003** **Monica Arnold**, Belfast Public Library
Vice President, Board of Trustees,
- 2002** **Jean Argetsinger**, Watkins Glen Public Library
President, Board of Trustees
- 2001** **Masie Houghton**, Southeast Steuben County Library, Corning. Chairperson, Campaign for the Southeast Steuben County Library

2010 Highlights

- Twenty-six library boards gave taxpayers the opportunity to support expanded library services and operating budgets. Twenty-four communities said YES; only two funding propositions – in Hornell and Arkport school districts – were denied. In 2011 the Hornell library proposition passed.

Alfred \$1,000 (3% increase)	Greenwood \$400 (5%)
Arkport \$6,000 1 st proposition	Hornell \$25,000 (16.6%)
Angelica \$1,000 (4%)	Little Genesee \$2,000 (15%)
Atlanta \$3,000 (11%)	Montour Falls \$2,500 (9.8%)
Belfast \$2,250 (6.3%)	Odessa \$2,500 (10.3%)
Belmont \$1,000 (3.6%)	Penn Yan \$12,012 (2.1%)
Canaseraga \$1,000 (4%)	Richburg \$3,000 (23%)
Canisteo \$2,191 (5%)	Rushford \$3,000 (10.7%)
Chemung Co. \$44,464 (1.8%)	Savona \$7,600 (35.5%)
Cohocton \$10,000 (12.5%)	Scio \$1,000 (8.3%)
Cuba \$2,000 (1.8%)	Watkins Glen \$3,690 (3.2%)
Dundee \$7,594 (3%)	Wellsville \$4,635 (3%)
Friendship \$3,000 (4.3%)	Whitesville \$2,000 (10.4%)

- Awarded Federal ARRA funding for **JobLink**, a two year mobile service to individuals that are unemployed or underemployed through workshops and one-on-one sessions in partnership with libraries and community partners
- Welcomed Scio as the 39th automated library in our region
- Expanded our regional Digital Library to include eBooks. By the end of 2010, 2,360 people were downloading free audio books and eBooks from the shared regional collection. The number of borrowers has increased 49% in the last 9 months
- Conducted workshops and webinars as part of the Federal LSTA grant funded "Managing Change" and "Innovation Libraries" series for trustees and directors. Purchased eBook readers and other devices for training and loan to member libraries
- Voted to establish a Foundation to seek private funds for the benefit of maintaining services and benefits to member libraries. Convened a Foundation Steering Committee with representatives from Allegany, Chemung, Schuyler, Steuben, and Yates Counties