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Fowler Library Reaching for Final Fundraising Goal

The Fowler Library renovation is well underway as many have seen as they drive along Main Street in West Concord. The project is going smoothly and is on schedule. The generous support of many patrons has made this wonderful project possible with over \$3,300,000 raised toward the final goal of \$3.5 million by December 2010.

Finish Fowler by Buying or Decorating a Historical Fowler Roof Slate

For those who have not yet made a contribution and would like a part (and be a part) of Library history, the Library Trustees and Staff are offering 1930's original Fowler Library roof slate tiles for sale. Provided at the Main Library, these slates can be purchased for a donation of \$50 and decorated at home. Or, you can take a slate home to decorate and give it back to the Library for a Slate Sale in November. Decorated slates will be \$100.00 each. Visit the Children's Room at the Main Library for more information or to purchase or paint a slate.

The Trustees of the Concord Free Public Library who successfully completed the renovation of the Main Library in 2005, are pleased to be repairing, redesigning and renovating Fowler so that there can be more room for patrons, more space for programming and better environment for the staff, some of whom have been there for over 20 years. "The Trustees who oversee the buildings and grounds, believe now is the perfect time to complete the vision of renovations for both Libraries so that we may better serve the community," said Sherry Litwack, President of the Library Corporation.

Funds for Fowler

"The community support for Fowler has continued and we plan to finish the campaign by December of this year. We have just \$200,000 left to raise to reach our goal of \$3.5

million,” said Sue Gladstone, Development Director. The Trustees are grateful for the leadership donors and those who responded to the town mailing sent in May.

Fowler Express a Big Success

“Fowler Express, the temporary library located in the lower level of the Harvey Wheeler Center has been a great success,” said Kerry Cronin, Library Director. Patrons have found this location perfect for reading, browsing the latest books, CDs and DVDs, and picking up books reserved online. In addition, the book drop at the West Concord Train Station is convenient and well used.

For more information about The Concord Free Public Library Campaign @ Fowler, and to see the plans, visit either the Main Library or the Library website at www.concordlibrary.org.