

**The Friends of the**  
M. N. Spear  
**Memorial Library**

Tuesday  
May 3rd!



Dear Community Members,

Shutesbury's New Library Fund continues to make progress! Through the efforts of Spring Spruce-Up volunteers, donors sending in annual pledge amounts, Valley Gives 2014, voters in the Florence Bank Community Grant Program, and support from Annual Town Meeting, we have now saved **\$227,406** toward a future library.

On Tuesday, May 3rd, the Friends of the M.N. Spear Library will participate in the **Valley Gives 2016!** This is a one-day, on-line collaborative fundraising effort for non-profit organizations, designed to share and strengthen the spirit of generosity in the Pioneer Valley.

### **Matching Gift Challenge!**

We are thrilled to announce that an anonymous donor has offered a \$2,500 challenge gift again this year. If we raise \$2,500 in donations on Valley Gives Day, our donor will match it. That makes your donation worth twice as much. In addition to the matching gift from our local supporter, meeting the challenge also qualifies us for a chance to be one of twenty randomly selected organizations to receive a \$2,500 bonus from the Community Foundation. This could be a tremendous boost to our fundraising efforts.

Visit the Library's website, [mnspear.org](http://mnspear.org) for a link to our Valley Gives donation page or use this link,

[https://valleygives.razoo.com/story/Friends-Of-The-M-N-Spear-Memorial-Public-Library?referral\\_code=share](https://valleygives.razoo.com/story/Friends-Of-The-M-N-Spear-Memorial-Public-Library?referral_code=share)

### **Donation Station and Snacks!**

For better wi-fi access or help with the website, we are organizing a **Valley Gives** Donation Station at the M.N. Spear Memorial Library on May 3rd, from 8:00 am to 7:30 pm. We'll have free refreshments to share in the excitement of this day-long fundraiser. Please stop by!

Every effort, every donation, moves us closer to realizing the enriching, educational and social benefits a new library will bring to Shutesbury. Every little bit that helps a lot. We hope you'll join us for this opportunity to promote the goodness of giving.

Thanks for your support!

The Friends of the M.N. Spear Memorial Library

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