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Dear Citizens of Hanover,

I am especially pleased with this year's calendar which features the Hanover Town Library. It brings back fond memories of when my daughter would walk to the library and return full of excitement. I still find her catalog markings in my own books inspired by her enthusiasm kindled at the Hanover Town Library.

The Hanover Town Library was founded in 1898. The current library building was built in 1905 as the official town library for the Town of Hanover, hence its formal name. However, because of its location and the fact that it has traditionally served the Etna and Hanover Center communities, it has been nicknamed the "Etna Library". The building has been registered on the National Register of Historic Places.

The Etna Library is governed by three trustees who are elected by the public each spring.

It is a wonderful institution. There is a nice collection of approximately 6000 items resident at the library. Its collection and services are integrated with the Howe Library and the "Libraries of Hanover" card may be used at both the Howe and Etna Libraries. Further, the collections of each library can be accessed through the on line catalog. There have been impressive increases in visits (52%) and circulation (28%) at the Etna Library over the past couple of years.

The library sponsors reading groups for adults and story times for children on an ongoing basis. For further information relative to current offerings, please see the Town's web site, or call the library at 643-3116.

We hope that you enjoy this calendar, and have a chance to get to know the Hanover Town Library.

On behalf of the Selectboard, we wish you all a healthy, joyful, and prosperous 2004.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Brian F. Walsh", written over a horizontal line.

Brian F. Walsh
Chairman
For the Town of Hanover Selectboard