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### Norway Memorial Library receives donations from Norway Savings Bank



**In the photo (L-R):** Steve Veazey, Treasurer & Hilary Ware, President, Norway Memorial Library Board of Trustees; Bob Harmon, President & CEO of Norway Savings Bank

NORWAY, Maine – Norway Savings Bank recently announced that is has donated funds for the Summer Reading Program and upgrades to public computer and Internet access.

The Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation offered to provide the Norway Memorial Library with \$5,200 over two years to upgrade its public access computers. A public access computer is one that is available to the public that provides software application and Internet access. This funding has been provided by the Gates Foundation to help provide free computer resources and Internet access to members of the community that may not otherwise have such resources available. In order to receive the Gates Foundation funding, 50% of the funds must be matched by a local donation and Norway Savings Bank has agreed to provide \$2,600 over the next two years for this purpose.

“An important part of Norway Savings Bank’s mission is to create opportunities for our community,” said Bob Harmon, President & CEO at Norway Savings Bank. “The Internet provides a wealth of information and we believe that it is important for everyone in our community to have the opportunity to access and utilize this extremely valuable resource. We are proud to be a part of this initiative to upgrade the public access to technology at the Norway Memorial Library.”

Norway Savings Bank will also once again sponsor the library's Summer Reading Program. The library's summer reading program has been very successful and continues to grow year after year, with a 33% increase in participation from 2007 to 2008. This year's national summer reading theme is "Be Creative" and will allow local children many opportunities to explore the creative aspects of poetry, music, drama and art.

The Norway Memorial Library is located at 258 Main Street in Norway. For more information about library hours and services, please call 207.743.5309 or visit [www.norway.lib.me.us](http://www.norway.lib.me.us)

#### About Norway Savings Bank:

Founded in 1866, Norway Savings Bank is a leading mutual banking and financial services company headquartered in Norway, Maine. As of March 31, 2009, Norway Savings Bank had \$920 million in total assets and provided financial services through 21 branches and over 200 ATM locations to over 35 thousand households in western and southern Maine. Norway Savings Bank operates divisions in asset management, personal and business banking. In 2007 and 2008, Norway Savings Bank was recognized as one of the Best Places to Work in Maine by the Society for Human Resource Management's Maine State Council. For more information, visit <http://www.norwaysavingsbank.com>

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