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Board, staff and subs,

As many of you know, library staff have had several interactions with Michael Spreadbury, a patron who has requested that we post information about his political concerns and make such information available as reference material in the library. After receiving two agitated email messages from him this morning, and becoming aware of an article in the Ravalli Republic that recounts Spreadbury's previous bizzare and somewhat threatening behavior <http://www.ravallirepublic.com/articles/2009/02/23/news/news51.txt>, I have decided to notify law enforcement about our experiences with him.

What follows is the text of the memo that I am sending to Chief Marble of the Stevensville Police Department:

Chief Marble,

We have had several interactions with Michael Spreadbury at the North Valley Public Library that raise some concerns for staff safety. Although I don't believe that he has committed a crime at the library, he has been unwilling to follow the policies that we have in place to consider making available the materials that he would like to share with the public, and his responses to us have sometimes been irrational.

After recently reading an account of interactions that he has had with law enforcement in Hamilton (which includes bizarre and threatening behavior) I thought we should inform you of what has been going on here in Stevensville. [See enclosed article from the Ravalli Republic]

I am sharing with you copies of emails documenting my previous interactions with Mr. Spreadbury as well as a couple of emails that we exchanged this morning. I am particularly concerned about the personal nature of his attacks (on me and my training as a professional librarian) and to his veiled reference to the Unabomber.

Please let me know if you would like to discuss this further. Thank you.

Please be alert if you see Michael Spreadbury in the library, and do not hesitate to call 911 if you feel threatened. Let me know if you have any questions.

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