



Annual Report

BARBERTON PUBLIC LIBRARY



From year to year, you will note changes in the Library: changes in staff, changes in materials, and changes in our facility. But what remains unchanged, is our dedication to the Library's core values.

We value lifelong learning and individual enrichment which both educates and stimulates creativity and imagination. Our collection is carefully selected to meet the information needs of our community while providing resources that include music, the arts and entertainment. Through borrowing patterns, our regular users show us what materials are most highly valued. Most recently, downloaded books and media have seen the largest growth. I'm happy to say that in 2014 the community had access to more than 124,000 eBooks.

We value trustworthy information handled with integrity, intellectual freedom and open access to library information and resources. This is a core tenet which affects how we do business every day. Last year, staff answered 29,796 questions and we look forward to an even busier 2015.

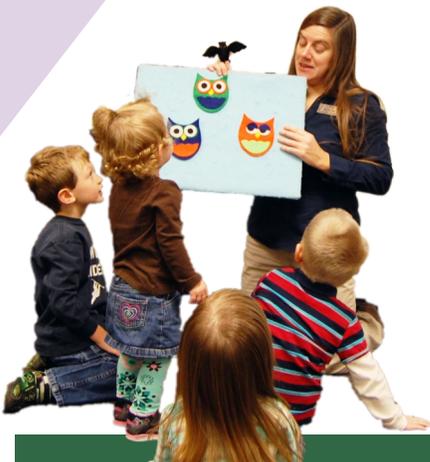
We value excellent service that is innovative, responsive, and inclusive. We listen to our community and whenever possible incorporate suggestions for program or materials. In 2014, by popular request, on-demand technology coaching was added to our

services in order to meet very specific needs for individual training in a relaxed atmosphere. We will continue to evolve our services and materials as community needs change.

We value community collaboration: actively working towards the shared goal of making Barberton a healthy, prosperous, and vibrant community. We provide consumer health information through the Community Health Branch in partnership with Summa Barberton Hospital. Library staff reach almost 12,000 individuals at the Barberton Summit DD, senior housing and care centers, schools, daycares, and other locations. In 2014, with grant funding from the Barberton Community Foundation and the City of Barberton, the Library became the Summit County site of College Now which assists residents seeking college access.

Looking forward to 2015, key goals for the Library include: seeking renewal of our local operating levy, which provides a substantial portion of our local operating funds; and moving forward with a building project that will provide a more welcoming environment for users visiting the main building. It has been our pleasure to serve the community of Barberton since 1903 and it will be our honor to continue that service in 2015. Please stop by or visit us at www.barbertonlibrary.org.

Julianne Bedel
Julianne Bedel, Director





Library Statistics

General Information

Library Usage

342,914 Items Borrowed
 212,732 Library Visits
 42,952 Computer Sessions
 29,796 Questions Answered
 29,863 eMedia Circulation
 16,260 Attendees at Library Programs
 490 Library Programs Offered

Borrowers

44,430 Registered Borrowers
 38,613 Adults
 5,817 Children

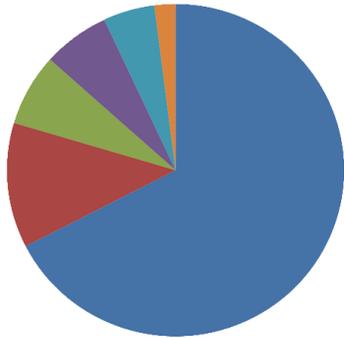
Collection

163,444 eMedia Collection
 124,395 eBooks
 36,714 Downloadable Audio
 2,335 Downloadable Videos
 74,153 Books
 16,565 Audio Recordings
 10,906 DVDs, Blu-ray
 5,649 Audio
 267 Print Magazine Subscriptions
 95 Databases

Kids practiced drawing cartoons with Jeff Nichols during his drawing program. The cartoons all had scientific stories for the Summer Reading Club theme: "Fizz! Boom! READ!"



Financial Information



Expenditures: \$1,311,409

Library Services

- Public Services and Programs: \$884,361
- Collection Development: \$159,449

Support Services

- Facilities Operation and Maintenance: \$92,082
- Information Services: \$84,317
- Business Administration: \$64,785
- Capital Outlay: \$26,415

Revenue: \$1,326,329

- Public Library Fund: \$799,983
- Local Levy: \$399,415
- Homestead: \$68,992
- Fines and Fees: \$39,982
- Miscellaneous: \$9,317
- Gifts and Donations: \$4,334
- Investment Earnings: \$2,446
- Grants: \$1,860

Mission Statement

The Barberton Public Library will promote independent thought and community interaction by providing services and resources necessary for individuals to pursue educational, creative, personal, and professional interests.

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