



Huntley Area Public Library District

Annual Report 2010 - 2011

A Letter to the Community



Libraries are about value, and this past year, with the help of an outstanding community of supporters, the Huntley Area Public Library was able to provide residents, who used the library more often than ever, an even greater return for their investment. For the year, monetary and commemorative book donations increased, and the tireless fundraising efforts of the Friends' Foundation allowed the library to purchase, among other items, access to HelpNow!, an online tutoring and job assistance service.

The library also purchased DVD shelving from liquidating Borders Bookstores with money donated by the Friends Foundation. The purchase saved the library approximately \$25,000 over the cost of new shelving. Additionally, dedicated library volunteers gave 5,634 hours of their time during the year, saving district residents approximately \$50,000.

Thank you to all those who continue to give of their time, talents and resources in support of the community and the library. Your efforts continue to help the library provide exceptional value to the community.

Patrick McDonald,
Library Director

Donations & Planned Giving to the Library

Community support for the library continues to grow. Monetary, in-kind, and commemorative book donations again increased during the 2010-2011 fiscal year.

The popular "Creating a Legacy" donation program allows donors to be recognized for their donations of \$100 or more with a plaque in the library.

Legacy Donations have thus far been made in honor of the following:

In Loving Memory of Hazel Kloempken
Tom Manning, Manning Concrete
Friends of the Library
Anonymous
Helen Marlowe
James E. & Irma M. Lee
Dolores & Larry Hermansen
Robert and Norma Schlichting
Mildred Karwat
Patricia S. O'Grady

The Levine Family
Calah Goehring
Anonymous
Mike & Barb Hoch Holly Lilly & Gavin
In Loving Memory of Fred & Flo Ahrens
Earl and Georgia Jacobson
Scott & Helen Smith
Jude & Judith Klein
Anonymous
Penny (Ruth) Warner
Warren & Pat Dahn

In Memory Of, Art & Shirley Mjoen
Nancy Zabadal
Walter & Carol Roth
In Memory Of, Theodora G. Reiter
JoAnn Segert
Joseph Naughton
David E. Carey
APB Enterprises, Inc.
Phyllis & Al Balk, Friends Forever
Michael, Mercythes, Jared & Landon Dost
Gary Koch, From Your Friends

Community members may make donations on the library website through a secure credit card system, or learn about leaving a planned gift to the library through a will, life insurance, a bequest, or other options.

2010-2011 Achievements



- Check-out record: 638,588 library items were loaned to residents in the 2010-11 fiscal year.
- Record number of library cardholders: Nearly 63% of residents served by the library district now have a library card.
- Record number of library items: 120,700 items are locally available, and thousands of additional items are available through interlibrary loan from other libraries.
- The number of eBooks borrowed this year grew by 95%.
- Library Facebook friends increased by 32%, and Twitter followers increased by 43% this year.
- More than 27,400 people attended educational and cultural library programs held during this past year.
 - Left: Seniors in the Civil War, with re-enactors Henry & Marta Vincent, held May 16
 - Right: Read to a Therapy Dog, ongoing program for children
- Library2Go service assists a record number of residents who are unable to come to the library due to illness, injury, or lack of transportation.
- Dedicated volunteers gave 5,634 hours of their time, saving district residents approximately \$50,000 this year. Our most senior volunteer, Kay, turned 95 this year. (photo top left)



2010-2011 Grant Review

The library actively seeks and applies for grant funding to purchase materials, pay for special projects and events, update technology and equipment, enhance the facility, and support general operations.

The following grants were received in the 2010-2011 fiscal year:

- Per Capita Grant - \$35,436.89
 - Purchase of materials to expand the library collection
- Target 2012 Grant - \$2,000
 - Sponsorship of children's 2012 Summer Reading Program.
- ISLMA Monarch Book Collection Set
 - Set of Monarch books to be added to the collection. Estimated value of \$300.

Additionally, grant funds previously awarded but received in this fiscal year purchased power-assist doors, new bathroom countertops, sinks and faucets, and new drinking fountains.

Our mission is to encourage lifelong learning and to improve the quality of life in our community. We strive to maintain the highest possible standards of service by providing cultural, recreational, and informational resources to our growing and changing population.

Library Board & Director

Trustees

Janice Schadt , President
Judith Klein, Vice President
Ann Christiansen, Secretary
Mitchell Baker, Treasurer
Rusty Ayers
Kathleen Pilat
Leslie Threadgill-Smith

Library Director

Patrick McDonald

Huntley Area Public Library Friends Foundation

The Friends Foundation is a 501(c)3 organization raising funds to support the library's mission.

Friends Foundation Board of Directors

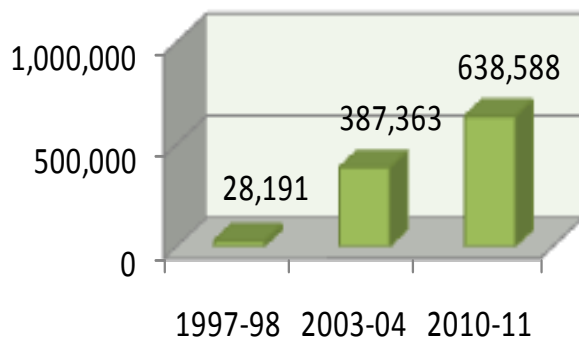
Genevieve Hochwarter, President
Janice Ruffino, Vice President
Francis Wilson, Secretary
Norma Henson, Treasurer

Friends Liaison

Pamela Kampwerth

2010-2011 Year in Review

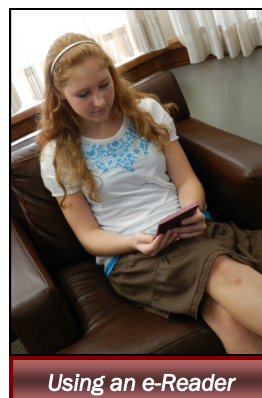
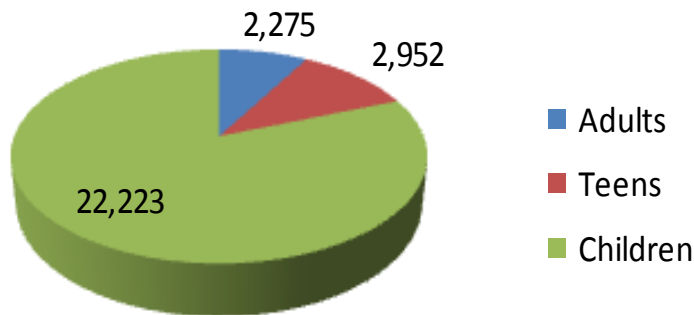
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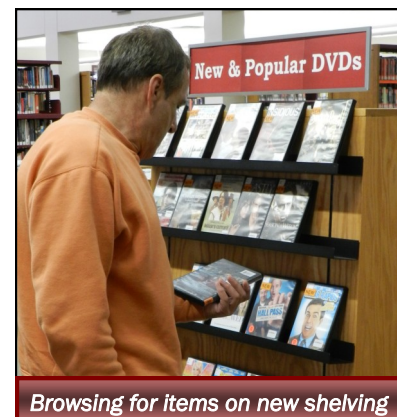
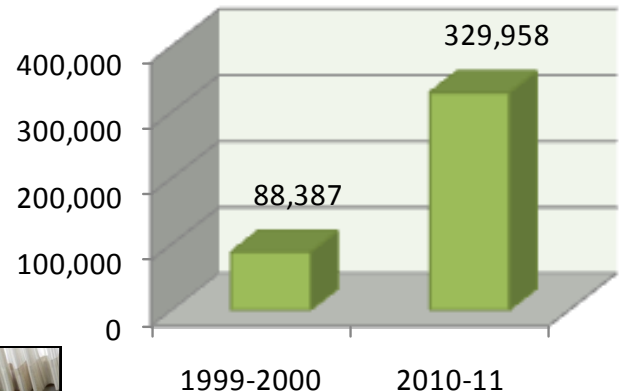
<u>Circulation</u>	<u>2009-10</u>	<u>2010-11</u>	<u>% change</u>
Total Items Loaned	621,379	638,588	3%
Library Visitors	318,668	329,958	4%
Total Collection	115,460	120,700	5%

<u>Volunteers</u>	<u>2009-10</u>	<u>2010-11</u>	<u>% change</u>
Number of Visits	1,258	1,463	11%
Total Hours Worked	5,117.75	5,634.50	5%

Number of Program Participants

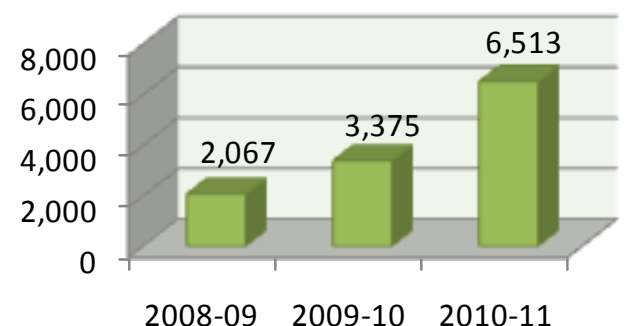


Number of Library Visitors



<u>Reference</u>	<u>2009-10</u>	<u>2010-11</u>	<u>% change</u>
Children's Desk	17,361	21,177	22%
Adult Desk	33,413	34,875	4%
Technical Questions	8,617	9,463	10%
Computer Help	52,800	50,034	- 2%
Total Assistance:	112,191	115,549	5%

Number of eBook Checkouts



<u>Website</u>	<u>2009-10</u>	<u>2010-11</u>	<u>% change</u>
Page Views	136,652	147,830	8%
Patrons using Wi-Fi	1,221	2,375	95%
E-books Borrowed	3,375	6,513	95%

2010—2011 Snapshots



Clockwise from top left: Diary of a Wimpy Kid party; Children meet Corduroy Bear; Chicago Wolves player, Jamie Hunt signs autographs; Little princesses have story time with Miss Huntley, Marta Makowski; Teen study group; The Friends Foundation raises money for the library at Culvers, A staff member checks out materials; and center, Teens enjoy a special art program

2010—2011 Highlights

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July 2010	The Summer Reading Program, sponsored by the Friends Foundation, has close to 4,000 participants.
August 2010	An Illinois State <i>Live & Learn</i> Grant in the amount of \$10,394 and a matching donation from the Friends Foundation allowed the library to install power assist doors, upgrade public bathrooms and install new water fountains.
September 2010	The library partners with local businesses to provide library cardholders with discounts during National Library Card Month.
December 2010	The seventh Annual Holiday Open House hosts 514 guests in two hours.
January 2011	The Library adds HelpNow, an online service with live tutors and an adult learning center, paid for by the Friends Foundation.
February 2011	Three Sony eReaders are added to the collection and made available for checkout. The Tumblebook Library, an ebook library for children, makes its debut. Bibliocommons, an intuitive online interface for finding library items, is introduced.
April 2011	A collection of Wii games is made available for checkout.
May 2011	Three Nook color eReaders are added to the collection and made available for checkout.
June 2011	New DVD shelving is purchased (from liquidating Borders Bookstores) at a fraction of the cost of new shelving. Record-breaking circulation surpasses 638,500 items loaned to members of the community.