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Leelanau Township Library Annual Report March 2008

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State Aid, Library Funding and Cooperative Services

Budget cuts in Michigan have caused state funding for libraries to be closely scrutinized. Currently, state aid for libraries has been cut by 17%. Issues of equity and the need for direct, measurable outcomes are among issues driving changes to our funding model. Funding goals include efforts to enhance service & ensure equitable statewide access, accountability, efficiency and sustainability. As it stands, the proposed model would change the services our library receives by eliminating or leaving uncertain Cooperative funding. Without Cooperatives, small rural libraries like ours will lose an important link to services. The following is a partial list of services provided to the 47 member libraries of our co-op, the **Mid Michigan Library League**:

Continuing Education: library certification, workshops, training sessions and meetings on specific topics meant to keep us current

Communication: info sharing through publication of Weekly Update, website and listserv, as well as networking opportunities

Delivery: 2 days per week free delivery service for Interloan materials worth \$1,000.

Discounts: negotiated for member libraries, for example, 45.5% on hard cover books

Inter-Library Loan: titles located by searching local online catalogs, as well as state wide and world wide catalogs using OCLC

Reference Services: help finding info not available locally - consultations as needed

MMLL members have pledged support for

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Small town service.....World class information

Books

Audio Books.

Large Print Books

Magazines

Newspapers

Videos—VHS & DVD

CD Music

CD-ROMs

Interlibrary Loans

Computers

Internet

Wireless Internet

Internet Catalog Access

Library Web Site

Story Times

Reading Programs

Book Discussion Group

Lectures

Statistical Report 2007-2008

Service Population

2,139

Card Holders 3,500

Days Open 255

Hours per week 35

Circulation/Usage

Records

Adults 22,3599

Children 3,374

Internet 10,200

Total 35,933

Increase 2,717

Web hits 168,742

Reference Questions

Answered 2,000

average 8 per day

Material added

Books 799

Children 68

Adult 731 (LP 50)

Audio books 40

CD Music 37

Videos 230

Total added 1,106

Total collection 25,272

Interlibrary Loans

Books 300

Videos 5

To others 180

Total ILL 485

Program Attendance

Adult 315

Children 595

Totals 910

Northport Students Create Signs For Library

Ms Jenny Evans' high school art students have created new signs for the library. Each student worked with a 14 x 4 inch piece of wood, incorporating information their sign would contain. Then students went to work using their imagination. The "Mystery" sign has a magnifying glass integrated into the word and the boating sign has a nautical wheel. The background for the "Reference" sign is a map. Middle school students are working on the next batch of sign which will be in the library by the end of the school year. Thank you Northport art students and Jenny Evans!



A Message From the Friends by Suzanne Landes

"The mission of the Friends of the Leelanau Township Library is to promote and support the Leelanau Township Library with direct financial support."

On the Interstate with Friends' President Suzanne Landes... Jim and I are not snowbirds, nor do we ever intend to be. We actually enjoy a Michigan winter. This year, however, we joined the masses of Leelanau county residents who chose March as a time of migration. On February 27 between snow squalls and amidst single digit temperatures, we packed up our recently acquired travel trailer with essentials, our bicycles and our wheaten terrier and began the journey southwest to Tucson. Since the most fuel efficient speed is between 55 -58 MPH, we really got to see the landscape in amazing detail. Reserving the camping experience for our destination state, we stopped for the night at pet friendly motels that offered lots of local color. A prime example is Chandler, Oklahoma where we enjoyed all-you-can-eat catfish with coleslaw and hush puppies at B's Diner. There we were greeted by the John Wayne Trail, a wall displaying nine faded and yellowing photos of the "Duke" himself. I think, too, we saw more trucks than cars on this trip--most notable the

one transporting Michael Jordan Cologne. (Jim wondered if it was bottled sweat!) Maybe we are just easily entertained, but we found our trip to Arizona anything but boring. On our return trip that first week in April, we will be delighted as well with an emerging Spring.

Friends Support and Gifts for 2007 - 08

- Framed silk collage for children's corner
- 57 magazine subscriptions
- Copy machine for public access/ paper & supplies
- Carpet for summer story time
- Public access computer
- CD/DVD disc cleaner
- Summer Series programming
- National Library Week open house /goodies & gifts

Friends Activities

Quarterly Meeting: April 28, 2008

Annual Meeting: June 30, 2008, 7:00 PM

Summer Series: Tuesday evenings, June 30 thru July, at 7:30 PM in the library.

Book Sale: Early in July - details will be posted

Library Funding

Have you ever wondered where library funding comes from? A majority of our funds come from Leelanau Township Property Taxes, distributed by the Leelanau Township Board, who also serve as the library board. As long as we receive a minimum of 3/10ths of a mil in local property tax dollars, our library is eligible to receive state aid, another funding source. Through the Library of Michigan, state aid offers an 84 cents per capita payment each year. We also receive a portion of county penal fines, excluding the court costs. These fines are also distributed on a per capita basis. Penal fine totals vary each year in accordance with the number of traffic tickets and fines issued. The Friends of the Library, individual donations, video fees, overdue fines and copy and printing fees make up the remaining income. Our library does not collect a separate millage or receive Federal Funding.

Gates PAC HUG Grant

In January the library received a grant for a new Dell desk top computer, monitor and software, including Deep Freeze software which saves a clean copy of the hard disk that can be restored after each reboot. The computer is being used by the public and is one of four Internet work stations the library has available for public use. The grant helps sustain the public access to Internet, word processing, as well as spread sheet and power point. Stop by the library when you need free Internet access.

Traverse City Film Festival

The library has received a grant for movies from the 2007 T.C. Film Festival. F&IM Group of Traverse City will soon purchase & distribute DVD copies of released titles to several local area libraries. We will add approximately 25 movies to our collection. To see which titles are available here in Northport, check our Internet site: leelanautownshiplibrary.org and link to our Catalog. Limit your search to "Series", and type in Traverse City Film Festival. You will find nearly 100 titles from the last 3 years. Enjoy!

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Join Us for Stories!

During the school year, our library hosts a pre-school story time for **Wigglers**. On Thursday from 11:00 to noon, Claudia Bantel reads, sings, does finger play and felt board activities, orchestrates crafts and snacks and gives out stickers to our smallest library patrons. She has volunteered her time for 15 years to the cause of the young child and we would like to thank her for touching the lives of so many children and parents in our community. **Summer Story Time** took on a unique theme in the summer of 2007. Kristine Irvine hosted a Spanish/English dual language approach story hour and it was a big hit with our summer readers. Each week the children learned new words through stories, songs and food snacks. They also made their own Spanish language book with pictures and photographs. Watch for Kristine to be back for Summer Story Time 2008.



Memorial Gifts and Library Donations

During the past year the Leelanau Township Library has received many generous donations as **memorials** for the following individuals. With these contributions our strength grows. Thank you to the families and donors as listed:

For **Margaret Jones**

Jane Kruse & friends

For **Frank Schrader**:

Ann J. Mapes, Marguerite Schrader, Russell & Mary Youngdahl, Alice Croydon, Robert & Dorothy Kobs, J.C. Dressel, Gale & Gail Fox, Karen Hertenstein, Richard Dieterle, Hamish & Beryl Small, Mary E Call, Samuel & Jane Rieder, R.W. & P.W. Beeson, Bruce Schrader & Lynn Joscpn, Mary Beth Milliman, Scott & Mary Joseph, Marc & Valerie Schollett, Mary Lou Horne, Marcia Meyer, Judy Bauer, Joyce Henley, Nancy Elifritz, T.M.Kelly & A.W. Kelly,

For **Jocelyn Schrader**:

Ann Mapes, Bill & Molly Halasz, Samuel & Jane Rieder, Russell & Mary Youngdahl, Paul Weakley, Nancy S. Elifritz

For **Jocelyn and Frank Schrader**:

Miriam C. McCrokle, Carl & Kathleen Shelton, Robert & Marilyn Williams, Jean Markell

For:

Carol Thomas Northport Women's Club

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Donating to the library has always helped us meet the needs of our patrons. We would like to thank the following individuals and groups for supporting us in the past fiscal year.

James & Majorie Leenhouts

Joyce Summerwill

Frank Schrader

Coleen Cooper

Atwill Memorial Chapel

Glenn & Delcie White

Northport Lions Club

Judy Jorgenson

Friends of the Library

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Join or Renew Friends of the Library 2008-09

Annual dues: \$1.00 per member Donations welcome!

First time member _____ or Renewal _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

_____ Zip code _____

Phone: _____ email _____

Amount Enclosed: _____

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