

VESTAL PUBLIC LIBRARY

Annual Report, 2016

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LIBRARY HOURS

Winter

M 2-9
T, W, Th 9-9
F 9-5, S 10-2
Sun *closed*

Summer

M 10-9
T, W, Th 9-9
F 9-5

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320 Vestal Pkwy East
Vestal, NY 13850

RENEWALS, CARDS,
CHILDREN'S DEPT.:
(607) 754-4243

INFORMATION SERVICES:
(607) 754-4244

(Revised 5/5/17)

<u>Library holdings</u>	175,363
Print Materials	154,821
Recordings & E- Books	13,851
Videos & DVDs	6,311
Periodicals	153
Other	227
<u>Registered borrowers</u>	14,481
<u>Circulation</u>	132,834
<u>Public computer use</u>	
Number of Uses	13,789
Pages printed	23,049
Library web site visits	227,884
<u>Information Services Department</u>	
Reference queries answered	28,525
Interlibrary Loans borrowed	13,844
Interlibrary Loans sent	12,972
<u>Children's Department</u>	
Programs	85
Attendance	1,822
<u>Meeting Rooms</u>	
Number of meetings	1,755
Attendance	12,198

The Year in Review

The year 2016 brought big changes to the Vestal Public Library. The plans put in motion during 2015 for becoming a school district library were brought to fruition. On April 5th the public overwhelmingly voted to keep the library open through a separate taxing district. The sight of the long lines of people and the length of time they were willing to stand and wait was very humbling and gratifying. While the vote gave us a stable footing, we still need to grow financially. This then started the process of dealing with all the paperwork and changeover complications that came with it.

While all this was going on Scott Clark, long time librarian here and assistant director, retired at the end of January. He then returned as a part-time reference librarian. This prompted the move of Matt Requa from part-time clerk at circulation to full-time principle clerk and his move back to the Reference desk. We feel very fortunate to have him. When Youth Services Librarian, Kelsey Matoushek left at the end of April for a position at the Broome County Public Library, we hired Lindsay Murphy as the new Youth Services Librarian. Lindsay has initiated new programs and ideas that are very well received. We are fortunate to have her. Another longtime employee, Nancy Robinson retired.

The Youth Services department did a great job keeping things going while a new librarian was being searched for. When Lindsay arrived she did a great job of taking on and completing someone else's programs.

At Christmas time the staff wanted to build another tree out of books. They did a great job constructing it and also running the contest again. Also around the holidays we held a successful fundraiser for the Broome County Humane Society.

We wish to thank the many people that helped us through the year; the Town of Vestal for continuing to keep the grass mowed and the snow plowed, and the United Methodist Church group for helping with weeding and making the flower beds and shrubbery look cared for. A special thanks goes to the Friends of the Library who provide a lot of "behind the scenes" support.

Financial Report

<u>Income & receipts</u>		<u>Expenditures</u>	
Starting balance	\$ 51,691	Salaries & benefits	\$465,821
Vestal property taxes	576,691	Library materials	31,042
Broome County Aid	69,450	Building operation & maintenance	61,148
NY State Aid	9,527	Capital expenditures	0
Fines & fees	7,885	Contracts with 4CLS	38,959
Investments	831	Miscellaneous	48,848
Miscellaneous	14,157	Transfer to other funds	0
Transfer from Capital Fund	0	Ending balance	84,414
Total Income & receipts	\$730,232	Total Expenditures	\$645,818