

Township of Georgian Bay Public Library

Annual Report 2015

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Our Mission

The Township of Georgian Bay Public Library is a community oriented partner that enriches community life by fostering the joy of leisure reading and life-long learning for all ages. The Library preserves and promotes access to a wide range of knowledge, information and ideas in a welcoming environment.

Our Vision

The Township of Georgian Bay Public Library is a community destination enhancing literacy and learning through access to technology, programs and materials.

Our Scope of Work

The Township of Georgian Bay Public Library provides service to approximately 2,200 full time residents and approximately 16,000 part time residents. There are three branches- Honey Harbour, located at the Park Landing in Honey Harbour; MacTier, located in downtown MacTier; and Port Severn, located in the Community Services Building in Port Severn. A wide variety of services for all ages, are offered at each of the branches.

The Library received a Canada Summer Student Job Grant in 2015 which allowed the library to hire a student who worked in Honey Harbour and MacTier Public Libraries for thirty-five hours a week.

The Library plays a vital role within our communities and provides the basis for the community hub that many permanent and seasonal residents rely on. The Library Board, consisting of six volunteer members, continue to work on the current Strategic Plan, which commenced in 2014. By focusing on the objectives and goals that were set out, the

Library continues to reach out and listen to the needs of individuals and groups so the Library can grow with the expanding and ever changing needs within the Township.

Through the combined efforts of staff, volunteers and supporters of the Library and the Township council, our Libraries continue to work towards bringing the best Library service to you, our many patrons.

On behalf of the Library Board, thank you for your continued support.

Tracey Fitchett Board Chair Barbara Swyers CEO

Accessible Library Services

Goal:

To broaden and highlight accessible library services in the community.

Accomplishments:

- Presented the Disability Accommodation Policy to the Library Board for acceptance
- Reviewed, discussed and updated Human Resources Policies
 1-24 for Library Board approval
- Produced a summer program flyer for Cottage Associations & area bulletin boards
- Produced an ad for the Honey Harbour Hoots and Cognashene Cottager
- Recommended that the library's databases be advertised more to increase usage of these information services

Port Severn Pilot Project

Goal:

To maintain, monitor and enhance the Port Severn Library pilot project according to community needs.

Accomplishments:

- Researched programs offered by other rural & urban libraries
- Applied for an Ontario Capacity Building Grant for a full-time outreach program coordinator but were unsuccessful
- Celebrated the 5th anniversary with a draw for prizes and refreshments

Sustainability, Funding & Grants

Goal:

To ensure a high level of customer service and current technologies as a sustainable future for the library.

Accomplishments:

- Increased the price of materials for the book sales resulting in an increase in book sale revenue at all three locations
- Developed Wish Upon a Star DVD fundraising program
- Raised \$1400 in total with the Wish Upon a Star program
- discussed possible projects for 2016

Volunteers

Brenda Baker Jim Curtis Gail Demkiw Joan Gabourie

Kim Lashbrook Carol McCron Joan Wice

Donors

Francine Albrough Alice Biasucci

Robert & Katherine Byrnes

Gibson Lake Cottage Association

Gloucester Pool Cottage Association

Bruce Hanson Gino & Jane Falconi

Friends of MacTier Public Library

Honey Harbour Association

Honey Harbour Historical Society

MacTier Friends of the Library

Murray & Ruth Miskin Family Charitable Foundation

Robert Nancarrow Ed & Teri Restemayer

Jennifer Schnier Jill UKrainec

Diane Waters

Library Board

Tracey Fitchett Kathy Kay

Theresa Restemayer Linda Shannon

Susan Stokes Diane Waters

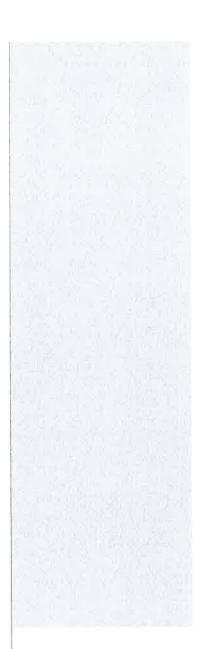
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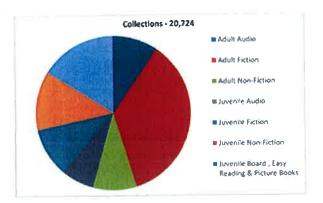
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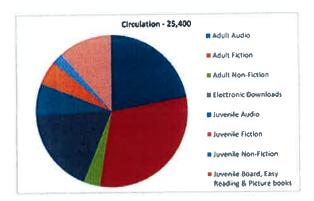
Carol McCron Jennifer McCron

Barbara Swyers Nadine Triemstra Linda Williams

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