

Walworth-Seely Public Library 2014 Report to the Community



From the Director's Desk...



2014 was certainly a year of entertainment, education and innovation at the Walworth-Seely Public Library! Over recent years, public library services have transitioned from "collections to connections". Libraries have discarded the stereotype of dusty book warehouses full of shushing librarians and strive to create environments in which their communities are able to develop, learn and grow at every age and on every path of life. At Walworth Library, in addition to several weekly and monthly programs being added to our calendar, we made significant advances in technology. A 3D printer was added to our collection, along with a Self-Checkout Station that adds to the convenience and ease of library use. We received a generous grant from Senator Nozzolio in late fall which allowed us to upgrade current technology and add computers and services offered to our library users. These included more efficient public and staff computers, a desk top in the children's area, iPads for staff training and program development, and a touch screen for the Self-Checkout Station.

There is always someone with a smile ready to assist you at the Walworth Library. From helping patrons find their next best read to making a birdhouse out of recycled materials, or from helping a patron apply for a job to showing someone how to load a book on their eReader device, we are ready and able to transform an "I don't know" into a "let's find out". We are committed to keeping the public library as the ultimate resource for inquiry! We welcome everyone, the weekend movie watcher to the bedtime story reader to the job searcher to the thesis writer and all those in between.

At a special event last fall, I overheard a patron new to our library ask her companion if he was familiar with the movie "You've Got Mail" with Tom Hanks and Meg Ryan. In the movie, Ryan owned a lovely book shop on Manhattan's Upper West Side. The patron then said that our library reminded her of the book store. We were "The Little Shop Around the Corner". I can't think of a better compliment! We celebrate our mission statement to provide an environment that fosters cultural, educational and recreational activities for all ages. So, whether you're a long-time library user or a fresh new face, we hope to see you walk through our doors soon!

Beth List

Beth List, Acting Library Director

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Programs and Events offered in 2014

- Baby & Toddler Story Time
- Preschool Story Time
- Creative Play Time
- Genealogy Workshops
- Library Book Club
- Card Making Workshops
- Summer Reading 2014
- Snack and Movie Nights
- Get Crafty with Jen
- Zoomobile Visits
- Wildlife Defenders

- Magic Guy Show
- Halloween Party
- Rainbow Loom Classes
- Sewing Classes
- American Girl Events
- Language Classes
- Writing Workshops
- Lego Masters
- Family Game Days
- Antique Road Show
- Flu Shot Clinic

- Social Security Classes
- Charlie Brown Thanksgiving
- Tech Classes
- Wii Play
- Culture Nights
- Holiday Party with Santa
- Craft programs for kids
- Programs at The Gardens Senior Living Community
- And lots more!

Materials Provided

Children, Young Adult and Adult Areas

- Audiobooks
- Biographies
- Books (Fiction and Non-Fiction)
- DVDs (regular, blu-ray and 3D)
- eReaders (new for 2015!)
- Job Information
- Local History
- Local Author
- Magazines
- Music CDs
- Newspapers
- Picture Books
- Video Games (Nintendo, PlayStation, Xbox, Wii)





Services Provided

- 3D Printing
- Ancestry.com Library Edition
- Faxes, Copies & Printing
- Materials collection
- Meeting Room Use
- Online Databases & Catalog
- Owwl2go digital content for eReaders
- Programs & Events
- Public Computers w/internet
- Reader's Advisory
- Self-checkout Station
- Summer Reading
- Tax Forms
- Tech assistance
- Volunteering Opportunities
- Wi-Fi
- WSPL Café





Hours of Operation

Monday 10AM - 8PM

Tuesday 10AM – 8PM

Wednesday 10AM - 8PM

Thursday 10AM - 8PM

Friday 10AM - 6PM

Saturday 10AM - 2PM

Sundays - Closed

Just the Facts for 2014...

Member of the Pioneer Library System

Number of materials checked out: 75,058

Number of materials sent to other

libraries: 14,458

Number of library visits: 46,634

Number of registered borrowers: 4,047

Number of programs: 432

Number of program attendance: 4,991

Number of Facebook "likes": 450

Number of website visits: 31,532

Number of public computers: 9

Number of public computer use: 14,950

Number of hours open: 2,808

Total library square footage: 3,200

Population chartered to serve: 9,449



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