

2014 by the numbers

3,817 active members

79,651 visitors

12,593 public computer sessions

77,388 books, magazines, DVDs, CDs borrowed

10,746 eBooks and e Audiobooks downloaded

294 children & youth programs, 4,535 participants

60 class visits from local schools, 1,163 students

258 adult programs, 2,908 participants

1,300 interlibrary loans received

1,979 interlibrary loans shipped out

Where did the money come from?

Municipality of Meaford: \$444,674

Province of Ontario: \$23,935

Project Grants: \$4,967

Donations: \$1,643

Library Revenue: \$22,698

Total: \$497,917

Where did the money go?

Salary and Benefits: \$364,568

Books and collection: \$39,590

Information Technology: \$53,021

Facility Costs: \$36,196

Other: \$34,541

Total: \$497,917

Owen Sound & North Grey Union

Public Library Contract: \$117,535

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Meaford Public Library 2014 Annual Report



Mission Statement

The mission of the Meaford Public Library is to open doors to a world of information, education and recreation, thereby enhancing the economic, social and cultural vitality of our community.

www.meafordlibrary.on.ca

2014 HIGHLIGHTS

- Completed Space Needs Analysis project with Michael Lundholm of Lundholm Associates
- The Friends of the Meaford Library (FOML) donated new seating and technology for the Teen Department - iPad minis, large flat screen TV, and Blu-Ray player
- Formed a partnership with the Canadian Parents for French —story times, homework help and \$1,000 grant received for French materials
- Hosted numerous authors - Garry McEachern, Hilary Scharper, Allen Smutylo, Eric Zwieg, Terry Fallis, darci-que, Linda Hamill, Kelley Armstong and Conrad Black
- Launched a series of successful technology programs - eReader drop ins, iPad sessions, social media workshops, Computer Basics. Working with Word, and PowerPoint Basics
- Partnered with the Meaford Museum on several successful events - Street Names of Meaford, Pioneer Class Visits, Valentine's Story Time, Tea with Queen Victoria, War of 1812, Numerology with Christina Richa Devi, and the Human Library
- Woodford Community Center - hosted a monthly Brown Bag Business Lunch and participated in the Easter Story time
- Sustainability Collection is donated and displayed
- Meaford Seed Library debuts with its first year of lending
- Introduced Free Battery Recycling with Raw Materials Company Inc. through the Ontario Stewardship Program
- Library Board eliminates Non-Resident Fee
- FOML receive the Gabrielle Schreiber national award from FOCAL (Friends of Canadian Libraries)
- Meteorite Hunter Patrick Herrmann presents to MCS students
- Celebrated the international Poem in your Pocket Day with local schools
- Selected as a winner in the OverDrive eBook challenge - increased eborrowing by 29% and won \$1,500 in FREE library ebooks
- Junior Easy Readers are levelled to Blue-water District School Board Standard
- Coordinated the Municipality of Meaford Views of Meaford Photo contest
- Participated in the 1st Annual Culture Days Fair at Meaford Hall
- Information at the St. Vincent Euphrasia Junior Kindergarten registration
- eResource presentation to Meaford Community School teachers
- Partnered with the Grey Sauble Conservation Authority for the Family Nature Adventure at Bognor Marsh
- Contributed to the awareness of the Municipal Election through the Student Vote initiative and the voting terminal in the library
- Partnered with Blue Mountains Public Library to host author Kelley Armstong at Meaford Hall
- Purchased and installed a Wi Fi printer to expand library services
- Hosted sold out library fundraiser with Conrad Black at Meaford Hall
- Introduced new holiday hours
- Joined in the following community events - Family Day, March Break, Earth Week, Canada Day, Scarecrow Invasion, Farmers' Market, and PA Days
- Other literary programs held - Forest of Reading, 1000 Books Before Kindergarten, Georgian Bay Reads, and book clubs
- Other programs - Scrabble, Knitters, Crochet, Chess and Lego Club, Once upon a Time story hour, Story tent at McCarroll park, 12 Days After School Style and Elf on a Shelf

Library Board

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 Mike Poetker, Council Rep
 Deborah Young, Council Rep

Library Staff

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 Heather Ann Hanson, Library Assistant
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