Annual Report

L.E. Phillips Memorial Public Library

Eau Claire, Wisconsin

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DIRECTOR'S NOTE

During 2001 use of the electronic ordering feature of MORE, our new online catalog, really took off as our customers became excited about the availability of books and other items from the 21 libraries sharing the catalog. This popular service will expand as additional libraries join the shared system. By the end of 2001, another nine libraries had committed to joining the system, which will bring the total number of member libraries to 30.

An agreement was worked out late in the year between the L. E. Phillips Memorial Public Library and McIntyre Library at UW-Eau Claire. That agreement now allows our customers to order items from the extensive collection of McIntyre Library and have those items delivered for pick up at our library. Customers at McIntyre Library may also order items from our collection and have those items delivered for pick up at McIntyre Library.

The library's web site at www.eauclaire.lib.wi.us was completely revamped, receiving both a new look and new features. Some features that are especially useful include lists of new items in the library's collection, online book clubs and links to web sites recommended by the library staff.

In the Youth Services area, the library provided a very strong series of storytime programs for preschoolers to get them hooked on books and reading. Along with these, the library put on a full program of exciting activities to keep elementary school age children reading in the summer when school is not in session. A Youth Advisory Board helped staff plan and host several programs for middle and high school age kids.

With a wide range of programs for adults, the library continued its strong role as a community center. The library facilitated programs representing many interest areas, from poetry presentations and discussions by regional and nationally known writers to art shows and world music concerts.

A survey of residents cited the number one reason for coming to Downtown Eau Claire as "visiting the library." The library's

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FINANCIAL REPORT (Pre-Audit)
For the year ended December 31, 2001

BEGINNING BALANCE, JANUARY 1, 2001 $76,225

Receipts:
- City of Eau Claire: $2,305,100
- County of Eau Claire: 576,514
- Other Wisconsin Counties: 51,357
- Indianhead Federated Library System: 154,810
- Fines and Fees: 107,593
- Grants and Gifts: 12,592
- Miscellaneous Revenue: 82,089
- Total Receipts: $3,290,055

Disbursements:
- Salaries and Benefits: $2,008,673
- Contractual Service: 415,627
- Materials and Supplies: 443,835
- Debt Service: 135,176
- Capital Expenditure: 141,389
- Total Disbursements: (3,144,700)

BALANCE $221,580

- Designated for Appropriation to 2002: (40,000)
- Designated to Succeeding Years-WRS credit: (20,500)
- Transfer to Gift Reserve Fund: (4,942)

ENDING BALANCE, DECEMBER 31, 2001 $156,138

2001 ANNUAL STATISTICS AND OUTPUT MEASURES

Total Circulation (including Interlibrary Loan) 969,344
Total Registered Borrowers in MORE consortium from:
- City of Eau Claire 33,838
- Eau Claire County municipalities without libraries 7,441
- City of Altoona 3,158
- City of Augusta: 161
- Village of Fall Creek 275
- Town and Village of Fairchild: 73

Registration as a percentage of the population served 47.5%
Annual Library Visits 371,572
Reference Questions Answered 102,460
Volunteer Hours Contributed 975

LIBRARY COLLECTION

At the end of 2001, the library collection included:

- Art Prints 105
- Audiobooks - cassette 4,792
- Audiobooks - compact disc 317
- Books 218,847
- CD-ROM software 121
- DVDs 833
- Magazines 26,473
- Microfilm/fiche 4,002
- Music cassettes 3,877
- Music compact discs 9,079
- Videocassettes 13,033
- Other materials 16,922

TOTAL 298,407

THANKS TO OUR 2001 DONORS!

Donating directly to the Library
- Ayres Associates
- Beitel's
- Jim Carter and Vicki Miller
- Charter Bank Eau Claire
- Melvin S. Cohen Foundation, Inc.
- Firstar Bank
- Friends of the L.E. Phillips Memorial Public Library
- Jeff and Elizabeth Goodwin
- Kiwanis Club of Eau Claire

Donating over $100 to Bookmarks Remembrance
- M&I Trust & Investment Management
- Cora Rust Owen Memorial Trust
- Sweetwaters Bar & Restaurant
- Wells Fargo Bank Wisconsin NA
- Xcel Energy
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- Chipewa Valley Eagles Auxiliary
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- Bob and Jane Fraser
- Oter Creek Garden Club

Thanks to our donors for making our library a vital part of our community!