

2004 Annual Report

L.E. Phillips Memorial
Public Library



Eau Claire, Wisconsin

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THE LIBRARY

The L.E. Phillips Memorial Public Library serves the residents of the City of Eau Claire, as well as residents of Eau Claire County through a contractual agreement. It is the largest library in west central Wisconsin and a member of the ten-county Indianhead Federated Library System.

The library's policies and operations are overseen by the City of Eau Claire and governed by a ten-member library board that is appointed by the City Council and includes two representatives from Eau Claire County.

The mission of the library is to be a source of ideas and information, provided in a wide variety of formats, in order to meet the personal, educational and occupational needs of all its customers, enriching individual lives and contributing to the development and cultural life of the community.

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DIRECTOR'S NOTE

Building planning was a major library focus throughout 2004. Responding to significant increases in the number of customers using the Youth Services area, and to greatly increased levels of electronic orders placed by our customers for items owned by the 32 other libraries that are members of the MORE consortium, the Library Board and staff worked with an architect to develop the plans.

The changes highlighted in the first drafts of the building plans were the expansion and renovation of the Youth Services area. A committee of interested citizens was formed to review the plans and respond to the features of the plan. Meeting over three months in early 2004, the committee expressed strong support for the expansion and renovation of Youth Services. The committee was uncomfortable, however, with moving forward with a plan that dealt with only one division of the library, and it recommended that the Library Board and staff review the entire building and develop a comprehensive building plan.

In late spring, the Board authorized further work with the architect to ensure that all library building needs would be met. The Board set parameters for the new planning specifying that any proposals for change stay within the existing exterior walls of the building, and that there be no proposal for increasing the taxpayer contribution to library operating costs.

In August, a public presentation of the new plans for the entire building, and an input session for library stakeholders, were held at the Ramada Inn. Based on the public comment and recommendations at that session, the plans were later revised in several ways, including the addition of a proposal for a customer drive-up window in the existing library parking lot. Then a second public input session, on the revised plans, was held in October.

The Library Board determined that a driveway and customer drive up window would function much more effectively for customers if it were located between the existing library building and the river. As the year drew to a close, staff and the architect were directed to work with a civil engineer to consider and recommend options for placement of a one-way driveway and customer drive up window between the river and the library.

Mark Morse
Library Director

CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION, 1904 - 2004

Eau Claire's First Library Building

In 2004, the library celebrated the 100th anniversary of the opening of the Carnegie library building on the corner of S. Farwell St. and E. Grand Ave. The building housed the Eau Claire Public Library until 1976, when the current library building, just a block away, opened for business.



Today, the Carnegie building still stands and serves as a part of Eau Claire's city hall.

In 1902, the library board contacted Andrew Carnegie and obtained a grant of \$40,000 for Eau Claire's first library building.



Controversy flared between those who favored the west side and those who favored the east for the library building, but once settled, construction moved quickly and a grand opening was held April 21, 1904.



The new library held 15,000 volumes as well as public documents, pamphlets and other materials.

A newspaper report said that the new Eau Claire library was "bigger than that of Cincinnati, a city of over one half million people."

FINANCIAL REPORT (Pre-Audit)

For the year ended December 31, 2004

BEGINNING BALANCE, JANUARY 1, 2004		\$123,931
Receipts:		
City of Eau Claire	\$2,636,700	
County of Eau Claire	\$555,336	
Other Wisconsin Counties	\$78,130	
Indianhead Federated Library System	\$125,611	
Fines and Fees	\$146,443	
Grants and Gifts	\$24,091	
Miscellaneous Revenue	<u>\$11,503</u>	
		3,577,815
Disbursements:		
Salaries and Benefits	\$2,225,752	
Contractual Service	\$463,457	
Materials and Supplies	\$457,844	
Debt Service	\$133,055	
Capital Expenditure	<u>\$207,254</u>	
		(3,487,362)
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BALANCE		\$214,384
Reverse previous year designations-2004		\$73,000
Designated to Succeeding Years-2005		(\$60,500)
Net transfer to Gift Reserve Fund		<u>(\$2,385)</u>
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ENDING BALANCE, DECEMBER 31, 2004		\$224,499

2004 ANNUAL STATISTICS AND OUTPUT MEASURES

Circulation (including renewals, not including interlibrary loan)	1,132,991
Interlibrary loans provided to other MORE member libraries	71,438
Interlibrary loans provided to libraries not members of MORE	8,142
Interlibrary loan items borrowed from other MORE member libraries	67,445
Interlibrary loan items borrowed from libraries not members of MORE	<u>5,749</u>
TOTAL LOAN ACTIVITY	1,285,765
Average adjusted daily number of library visits in building	1,249
Annual library visits	428,330
Number of users of electronic resources	123,221
Reference transactions	74,529
Unique visitors to library website - month of Dec. 2004 only (new statistic)	10,548

LIBRARY COLLECTION

At the end of 2004, the library collection included:

Art Prints	103
Audiobooks - cassette	4,890
Audiobooks - compact disc	1,095
Books	192,298
Browsing paperbacks	18,959
Large Print Books	10,995
CD-ROM software	512
DVDs	3,974
Magazines	16,947
Microfilm/fiche	4,219
Music cassettes	2,849
Music compact discs	11,450
Videocassettes	15,450
Other materials	<u>1,558</u>
TOTAL	285,299

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