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

The library continued in 2005 with many programs and activities planned and delivered in cooperation with other community agencies. Youth Services staff prepared 24 kits of books, DVDs, puzzles and puppets, all designed for use in connection with reading activities at area daycare centers. Library staff also made regular daycare center visits to encourage reading. The library cooperated with Children's Museum staff by coordinating visits by larger school groups to both the library and the museum.

Library staff worked with the Eau Claire Regional Arts Center in helping to put on the 5th Annual Chippewa Valley Book Festival. ACT workshops, a talent show with middle school bands, and library displays of elementary students' art, were all part of the library's cooperation with the schools.

In the fall, we held the first Library Stakeholders Gala to honor community members who have made donations to the library and to provide updates for them on recent library activities and future plans. This event is part of the library's effort to establish long term relationships with the many generous people who have made gifts to the library.

Planning for much needed library building renovation and expansion continued throughout 2005. A small project to make restrooms handicapped accessible was completed.

A street dance, an ice cream-making party, programs on Gullah culture and on "English Past, Present and Future", discussion sessions on Emily Dickinson and Walt Whitman — these are all examples of the rich variety of activities that the library provided throughout the year. As in past years, the library hosted ArtsWest, a popular regional juried art show that draws artists and viewers from all over Western Wisconsin.

Mark Morse
Library Director

FINANCIAL REPORT (Pre-Audit)
For the year ended December 31, 2005

BEGINNING BALANCE, JANUARY 1, 2005

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2005 ANNUAL STATISTICS AND OUTPUT MEASURES

Circulation (including renewals, not including interlibrary loan) 1,201,904
Interlibrary loans provided to other MORE member libraries 91,640
Interlibrary loans provided to libraries not members of MORE 7,759
Interlibrary loan items borrowed from other MORE member libraries 80,738
Interlibrary loan items borrowed from libraries not members of MORE 3,062
TOTAL LOAN ACTIVITY 1,385,103

Average adjusted daily number of library visits in building 1,241
Annual library visits 425,785
Number of users of electronic resources 123,604
Reference transactions 82,511
Unique visitors to library website 137,528
Volunteer hours 1,997.5

LIBRARY COLLECTION

At the end of 2005, the library collection included:

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PROGRAMS @ THE LIBRARY

The library sponsors and coordinates a broad spectrum of programs for all ages. In 2005, 15,519 children and 1,688 adults attended library programs. Also during that year, 2,015 children and 433 teenagers registered for the Summer Library Program and 113 adults registered for Club Read, a summer reading program for adults.

Each year, thousands of library visitors view the library’s art exhibits, which feature the work of local and regional artists, as well as many displays of interest to children and adults. Wisconsin ArtsWest, the library’s annual juried art show, celebrated its 26th year in 2005, attracting 241 entries by 142 artists. Of these, 62 works were selected by the juror and displayed in the library’s gallery.

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