The L.E. Phillips Memorial Public Library is a resource that belongs to everyone in the community. It offers access to informational, educational and recreational materials, electronic resources and quality programs for people of all ages. Information and ideas flow freely in healthy communities.

During the first half of 2010, the library launched a strategic planning process by conducting online and mail surveys, focus groups, personal interviews and convening a planning committee to represent the Eau Claire community. In August, the Library Board adopted a strategic plan for the library for 2011-2015 that establishes themes with goals and examples of potential strategies.

The library’s strategic plan attempts to set a course that will ensure that future generations will continue to have the opportunity to access diverse information and ideas, as well as physical and virtual spaces where people can come together to discuss their fears, hopes, concerns and ideals. It is designed to build on the library’s legacy of service to the public and to ensure that the library remains relevant and plays a continuing role in helping the people of Eau Claire area succeed well into the future.

There is now a presence for the library’s strategic plan and other documentation on the library website: select About Us, then Library Strategic Plan.

Use, get involved in and enjoy all your library has to offer. Check out its materials. Use its resources and spaces. Join the Friends of the Library. Volunteer. Serve on the Library Board.

John Stoneberg
Library Director
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 Board of Trustees 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.

At the end of 2010, the library collection included:

- Art Prints: 91
- Audiobooks - Cassettes: 3,211
- Audiobooks - Compact Discs: 3,835
- Books: 172,919
- Browsing Paperbacks: 26,806
- Large Print Books: 15,547
- CD-ROM Software: 775
- DVDs: 13,634
- Magazine Subscriptions: 301
- Microfilm/fiche: 1,435
- Music Cassettes: 96
- Music Compact Discs: 15,268
- Videocassettes: 6,570
- Other Materials: 14,386

**TOTAL**: 274,874

**2010 LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

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**LIBRARY COLLECTION**

**2010 ANNUAL STATISTICS AND OUTPUT MEASURES**

- Circulation (including renewals, not including interlibrary loan): 1,107,993
- Interlibrary loans provided to other MORE member libraries: 135,509
- Interlibrary loans provided to libraries not members of MORE: 3,994
- Interlibrary loan items borrowed from other MORE member libraries: 135,220
- Interlibrary loan items borrowed from libraries not members of MORE: 5,007
- **TOTAL LOAN ACTIVITY**: 1,387,723

- Average daily number of library visits: 1,474
- Annual library visits: 501,109
- Number of users of public Internet computers: 137,072
- Reference transactions: 79,014
- Volunteer hours: 1,662
The library sponsors and coordinates a broad spectrum of programs for all ages. In 2010, 19,314 children and 3,122 adults attended library programs and 1,863 children and 492 teenagers registered for the Summer Library Program.

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 31st year in 2010, attracting 151 entries by 82 artists. Of these, 56 works were selected by the juror and displayed in the library’s gallery.

### 2010 Notable Programs
- Canterbury Tales discussion series
- Money Smart financial planning
- "Flowers of Madison" film debut
- Cooking demonstration series
- Ornamental Grasses
- Late Bloomers poetry series
- The Trumpet & Sax in Jazz History
- Author visits with Bill Durbin & Bill Callaghan
- "Vision and the Word" group art exhibit
- Art exhibits by Roger Adams, Patricia Mayhew Hamm, Anders Shafer, the Eau Claire Digital Photography Club

### 2010 Programs for Kids and Teens
- Summer Library Program “Zoo-m in on Reading”
- Drop-in craft programs
- Book discussion groups
- Storytimes: baby, toddler, preschool & family
- Early Learning Center storytime visits
- Jump, Jive and Read
- Literacy Leaders
- Teen “CSI @ the Library”
- Family Reading Program
- Youth Aviation Adventure
- ACT Prep workshop
FINANCIAL REPORT (Pre-Audit)
For the year ended December 31, 2010

Undesignated Fund Balance
January 1, 2010 $570,073

Receipts:
City of Eau Claire $2,833,500
County of Eau Claire 532,964
Other Wisconsin Counties 235,394
Indianhead Federated Library System 119,661
Fines and Fees 146,317
Grants and Gifts 49,688
Miscellaneous Revenue 6,726 $3,924,250

Disbursements:
Salaries and Benefits $2,392,903
Contractual Service 608,432
Materials and Supplies 684,084
Debt Service 40,185
Capital Expenditure 110,736 -$3,836,340

BALANCE $657,983

Transfer to Gift Reserve -$5,973
Reserve for Transfer to Capital Projects -$220,000

Undesignated Fund Balance
December 31, 2010 $432,010
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Jump, Jive & Read participants

Library booth at UW - Eau Claire
Welcome Day
LIBRARY PHOTO GALLERY

Anders Shafer art exhibit

Clifford & friends

Research in the Reference Area

Literacy Leaders program

Young Adult Lounge computers

Gardening programs always draw a crowd

Cooking demonstrations with Eric Johnson