

GRAND ISLAND MEMORIAL LIBRARY



2016 ANNUAL REPORT

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MISSION STATEMENT

The Grand Island Memorial Library encourages and sustains a literate, informed, and diverse community, and is committed to equal accessibility and intellectual freedom to stimulate personal growth through recreational opportunities and life-long learning.

VISION

The Grand Island Memorial Library will be an excellent choice for information, quality collections, outstanding programs, and exceptional service. The library will be a trusted civic, cultural, social and learning center and a place for relaxation, the exchange of ideas, and interaction among people.

PURPOSES

Children's Introduction to Learning: The Library will encourage young children to develop an interest in reading and learning through services for children and for parents and children together.

Popular Materials Library: The Library will feature current, high-demand, high-interest materials in a variety of formats for persons of all ages.

Independent Learning Center: The Library will support individuals of all ages in pursuing a sustained program of learning independent of any educational provider.

Reference Library: The Library will actively provide timely, accurate and useful information for community residents.

GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

To secure funds for the implementation of the Library's mission through governmental levels and supplemental private funds.

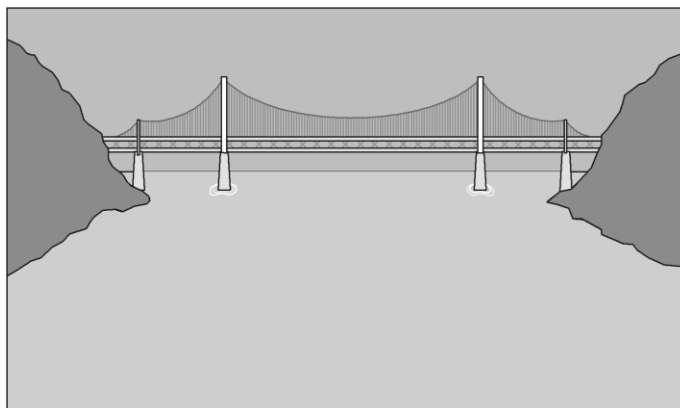
To provide library materials in a variety of formats which serve the informational, educational, cultural and recreational needs of the community. Encourage the Library System to provide the resources necessary to obtain such materials, investigate new technologies, and ensure that all library users have equal access to information, programs, and resources in accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act.

To offer high quality service and strive for constant improvement by pursuing funding for increased service hours, offering improved reference services, experimenting with programming for all ages to increase awareness of library service and providing outreach programs.

To promote public awareness of the library's service and needs utilizing print and electronic media, sponsoring special library events, reporting to the community annually on the accomplishments of the library and supporting the Friends of the Library in their public awareness projects.

To foster staff development and productivity to meet the needs of the library by hiring and training qualified staff, making reasonable efforts to accommodate the disabilities of qualified applicants or employees, insuring that job descriptions are consistent with goal statements, and encouraging staff participation in the planning process.

To maintain and upgrade facilities and equipment by sustaining buildings and grounds through preventative maintenance and regular care, removing barriers to full use of the library for all patrons in accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act and planning long-term expansion and improvements to meet the changing needs of the community.



BOARD OF TRUSTEES 2016

Mrs. Pat Rizzuto, President
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Mrs. Jill Banaszak, Secretary
Mr. Richard M. Earne Treasurer
Mr. Richard Crawford, Jr.

The Library Board of Trustees is the governing body for the library. It approves the library budget, all personnel appointments and library policies. The Board monitors library expenditures, represents town residents in forming library policy and recommends changes and improvements to the Town Board. Trustees are appointed by the Grand Island Town Board. All Trustees must be Grand Island residents and each serves a five-year term in a volunteer capacity.



LIBRARY SERVICE 2016

HOURS	WINTER	SUMMER*
Monday	10-8	10-8
Tuesday	10-6	10-8
Wednesday	10-6	10-6
Thursday	10-8	10-6
Friday	10-5	10-5
Saturday	10-5	Closed
Sunday	Closed	Closed

* Summer hours Memorial Day through Labor Day

Holidays

The Library is closed the following holidays: New Years' Day, Martin Luther King Jr. Day, Patriots' Day, Good Friday, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Veteran's Day, Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Eve, and Christmas Day.

Professional Staff

In 2016, the full time library staff consisted of 2 librarians, 1 clerk, and a caretaker. Part time staff is also used throughout the year.

LIBRARY USE 2016

Circulation

122,923

Grand Island Memorial Library is the 13th busiest in comparison with 36 other town and city libraries in the Buffalo and Erie County Public Library System.

Other Library Statistics

66,735	Individual visits to the library
3,077	Reference questions answered
3,763	Children and adults were entertained and informed by 203 Library-sponsored programs
1,190	People attended 68 meetings held by community groups in the Library's meeting room
7,382	Individuals using computers
6,900	Wireless access users
7,733	Registered borrowers

LIBRARY HOLDINGS 2016

Type of Material	Number of Volumes
Books	
Adult Fiction	15,886
Adult Non-Fiction	12,851
Children's	16,703
Total Books	45,440
Audio-Visual	
Audio Recordings (Books on CD, Music CDs)	5,260
DVDs and Blu-Rays	7,926
Other AV materials	29
Total Audio-Visual	13,215
Other	
Magazine & Serials	2,251
Uncatalogued Paperbacks	5,308
Electronic Materials	52
Other Print Materials	1
Total Other	7,612
TOTAL HOLDINGS	66,267

LIBRARY PROGRAMS 2016
Young Adult and Children's Programs

Program	Sessions	Attendance
Preschool Story Hour	61	577
Toddler Lap Sit	34	826
Special Programs-	(one session unless noted)	
Star Wars		20
Charlie & Checkers		30
Gingerbread Houses	2	78
Eric Carle		19
Family Movie Afternoon	4	40
Yoga	4	70
Magical Creatures		15
Lego Club	13	174
Summer Programs-		
Rookie Readers (Grades 1&2)	6	141
Page Turners (Grades 3-6)	4	99
Wondermakers	1	32
Niagara Rep. Theater	1	60
Puppet Show	1	38
Battle of the Books	8	114
Celebration	1	70
Children's Program Totals	144	2,403
Adult Programs		
Adult Book Club	12	202
Computer Classes	5	30
Annual Friends Meeting	1	51
Knitting Club	18	168
Adult Program Totals	36	451

GIFTS AND MEMORIALS 2016

Gifts and memorials can be a suitable tribute to a friend or relative. They also enable your Library to acquire needed materials for the circulating or reference collection. In 2016, the Library received donations in the amount of \$1,530.

To make a gift or memorial contribution, contact the Library at (716) 773-7124.

Thanks

The Friends of the Grand Island Memorial Library continue to be very supportive. In 2016, they raised funds that the Library used for new furniture, art and craft supplies, bicycles for the summer reading raffle, storytellers, and other children's programs.

Cinderella Isle Garden Club continued to beautify the library grounds by purchasing many flowers and spending numerous hours maintaining the gardens and beds.

Many individuals throughout the year donated both paperback and hardcover books to the library.

The Grand Island Memorial Library wishes to thank all the individuals who have supported the Library.

SERVICES OFFERED

BECPL On-Line Catalog
Books on CD
Buffalo News & New York Times Newspaper databases
Bulletin board for cultural & community events
Business, Health, and Reference Databases
Car & Truck repair manuals
Color printer
Computer Classes
Consumer buying guides
Downloadable books, movies, and music
Encyclopedias for reference and home use
Gale Literature Databases
Guided tours for schools & groups upon request
Income tax forms
Internet Access
Language instruction kits on CD
Large Print books for loan
Meeting room for community groups
Morning Star Mutual Funds Database
Movies: Blu-ray and DVD
Music CDs for loan
Microfiche/Microfilm reader
Photocopy machine
Preschool Story Hours and Toddler Time Lap Sit
Radio reading service for the sight-impaired
Standard and Poor's Outlook
Study rooms
Summer reading clubs
Used and new car price guides
Value Line Investment Survey
Wireless Internet Access
World Book Encyclopedia On-Line