

2015 Annual Report



A Glance Back at 2015...

The Newstead Public Library was so excited to begin a partnership in 2015 with the Erie County Department of Social Services and the University at Buffalo School of Social Work. Every Friday from November through May a trained UB intern was available to assist the public with applying for services such as HEAP and SNAP and many other services. This outreach was tremendous; it allowed people access to services without having to drive into Buffalo. We were very fortunate to be one of ten involved in this pilot project. We are looking forward to offering this program again in the fall of 2016.

Kristine Sutton
Library Director

Numbers for the Year

Circulation—58,344

- Books
- Downloadable Books
- Magazines
- DVD's & Blu-Ray's
- Audio Books
- CD's

Total Collection—33,804

Library Visits—42,465

Reference Transactions—4,368

6,658 sessions were used on the 12 public access computers.

2,074 Wi-Fi sessions were logged.

Thanks to the Town of Newstead's support we were able to add 31 new items to our collection.

Library Events

- 2157 children and young adults attended 287 children's and family story, craft and entertainment programs.
- 729 adults attended 118 programs which include a monthly book clubs, a Mah-jong game group, Genealogy Group, Computer Classes and Peace, Love & Yarn, a group that knits and crochets for global community projects.
- 24 6th-9th graders were part of 3 teams in the 17th Annual Battle of the Books, a summer reading trivia event.
- 26 preschool and elementary classes visited the library to listen to a story a story and to borrow books.

Friends of the Library

The Friends of the Newstead Public Library work to promote and assist the library. They raise funds by sponsoring book sales and participating in community events. These funds help provide books and special programs. Please consider becoming a Friend to the Library.



Star Wars Jedi Fans!



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