

# KITIMAT PUBLIC LIBRARY

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*Summer Reading Club Theme  
at Kitimat's July 1st Parade*

## 2010 ANNUAL REPORT

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### Looking Back

2010 was a year of uncertainty and change for our community due to the closure of Eurocan Pulp and Paper which forced 535 workers out of work. In order to make up for the tax shortfall, the municipality reduced our operating grant by 10% over 2009 figures. This resulted in the lay-off of one full time staff member and subsequent closure of the Library on Sundays. Through it all the Library continued to offer an impressive variety of reading and other library material and to lead many workshops and programs geared toward pre-schoolers, young adults and seniors. Our public computers were in high demand, we enjoyed high membership levels (see below) yet circulation of material and visitor frequency figures were down 10% over the previous year.

It was our good fortune that the very much anticipated provincial cuts did not materialize and this might have been due to open communication links between the Ministry of Education, the BCLTA, BCLA and ABCPLD organizations. Our Board is especially thankful to BCLTA President Andy Ackerman for presenting our concerns at the provincial level and for his skillful TOP training for new and seasoned Board members at the federation meeting in Terrace.

We are grateful to the Friends of the Library for hosting successful book sales, to PLSB for all their support and our municipality for their continued belief in our integral role in the community.

On a tech note, and with the assistance of another year of CAP funding provided by the Federal Government, the Library was able to purchase new

security software for the public terminals and a more robust UPS for our two servers. This grant also provided 840 hours worth of youth employment which was contracted out to our part-time library computer tech. Additionally, the Library committed to making the transition to the provincial ILS "Evergreen" which will introduce us into the sophisticated world of Web 2.0!

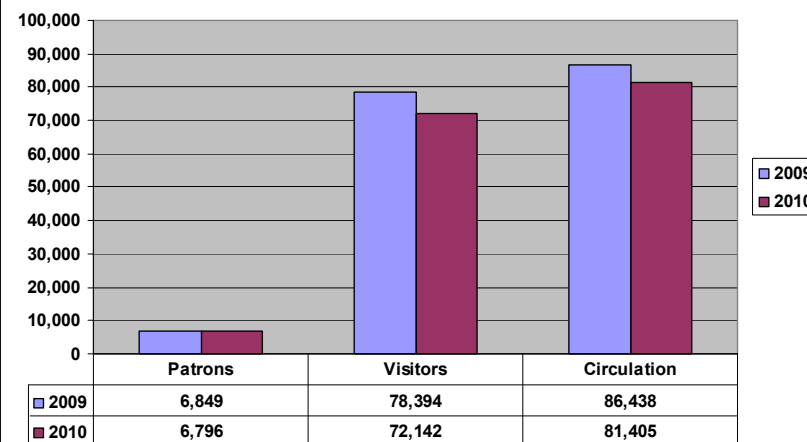
A variety of programs were offered throughout the year for all ages and tastes from financial fitness workshops for seniors, preschool storytimes, author visits, class tours, book clubs, puppet plays, and a wide assortment of movie presentations. Spring break, summer and Christmas holidays enticed many to our special programs which included our annual Lego contest, craft corners, guitar and jamming sessions and Summer Reading Club.

In total 3,474 participants attended 328 programs throughout the year.

Our mission is to provide and promote open and equal access to the resources and services of the library in order to meet the informational, educational and cultural needs in Kitimat. We trust that we accomplished this in 2010 and look forward to an equally successful year ahead.

Sincerely,

Brian Liberman - Chair  
Virginia Charron, BA MLIS - Library director



## Facts & Figures

Revenue	\$	Expenditures	\$
Fines	9,192	Advertising	867
Photocopying service	643	Books/audiovisual	63,228
Donations	1,745	Equipment purchase	10,181
Lost materials	1,041	Equipment repairs & maintenance	14,675
Miscellaneous	3,673	Insurance, professional fees & dues	6,897
Phone/fax	407	Janitorial	10,767
Internet	896	Periodicals, subscriptions & microform	4,459
Subtotal	17,597	Postage and miscellaneous	5,994
Municipal grants		Program/display materials	2,042
General	393,927	Rent	111,600
Rental	111,600	Salaries and benefits	373,593
Student wages top up	1,132	Staff & board development	3,495
Provincial grants		Stationery and supplies	7,452
Library operating & resource sharing	67,491	Telephone, Internet & utilities	5,810
Federal grant		Travel	5,148
CAP youth interns	7,728		
Summer career placement	8,844		
Other	5,527		
Subtotal	596,249		
Total	613,846	Total	626,208
		Excess of revenue over expenditures	-12,362
Cash	24,176	Accounts receivable	16,015
Prepaid expenses	8,050	Liabilities & deferred revenue	5,902
Website hits	24,845	Days open	314/365
Patron visits	72,142	In-house program attendees	2,350
Items circulated	81,405	Internet bookings	12,630
New members	533	Computer training sessions	115
Card holders	6,796	Items added	4,953
Interlibrary loans & borrowing	2,701	Items deleted	2,780
Book reserves	1,910	Items in the collection	58,960
In-house programs	325	Outreach program attendees	1,124

## Board Members

Brian Liberman	Chairperson
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BC Book Prize Gala  
Board Trustee Sandra Jomphe (left)  
& Author Eden Robinson (right)

## Staff Members

Virginia Charron	Library Director
<u>Library Assistants</u>	
Karin Grossmann	Teresa deLisser
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<u>Pages</u>	
Camille Allaire	Sylvia Gairdner
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BC Book Prize Gala from left to right: Library treasurer Sandra Jomphe, Kristin Butcher, Mayor Joanne Monaghan, library director Virginia Charron, Cathleen With, Michael Turner, Kari-Lynn Winters and BC Book Prizes executive director, Brian Pike.



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