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from library archives*

2011 ANNUAL REPORT

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Looking Back

I would like to thank the Director and staff for their hard work throughout the year. We have received many compliments on our collection, our programs, our beautiful facility and the quality of assistance to our members and guests. I am equally excited about making the transition to Evergreen's Sitka. Between this provincial initiative and our work within the Federation, we have been able to move Library services forward in the Northwest. On behalf of our Board, I would like to say that we are grateful to the District of Kitimat for their ongoing support and to all other funders. I know that 2012 will be another great year at the Kitimat Public Library!

Linda Campbell - Chairperson

Director's Report

I would like to thank all those who put their energy into making 2011 another wonderful year at the library, especially to the Staff, the Board and to our funders: grassroots Friends of the Library, the Provincial and Federal governments and especially to the District of Kitimat and the Mayor and Council.

Highlights in the year were:

1) The necessary weeding and reorganization of 50,000 units, as the collection had evolved significantly over the past decade (eg, smaller reference collection, increased audiovisual and expanded large print). Now what meets the eye when strolling through the stacks is a logically laid out collection well worth the long hours worked over the May long weekend.

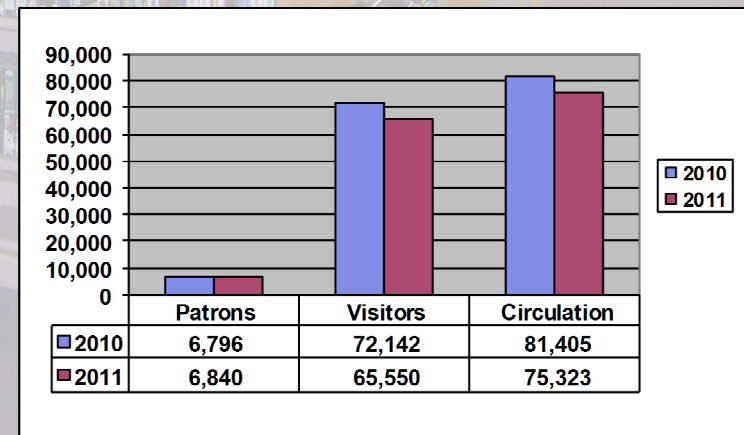
2) The transition to the provincial integrated library system, Evergreen's "Sitka", in late October. This move will save taxpayers considerable sums of money in the future and improve user experience.

3) Long term employee, Elaine Pereira, resigned after twenty plus years of exemplary service. Congratulations to Kayla Sparkes who accepted the position of part-time Library Assistant & Children's Programmer from a numerous and strong slate of candidates, and to Shawn Durocher who moved into a full time Library Assistant role.

4) Regular programming in 2011 included pre-school storytimes, one on one computer tutorials, seniors investment workshops, Library book club and our highly popular summer reading club. To this we added seasonal craft events (Valentine's Day, Spring Break, Easter and Christmas), musical shadow puppets, our full production puppet play "Pinocchio comes alive!" and a Lego contest. Three authors visited, two in person - Keith Billington and Vivian Lougheed and one virtually, Booker Prize Winner Esi Edugyan. We led writing groups, hosted movie nights and the popular BC Book Prize Gala.

I trust that 2012 will prove to be another successful year at the Kitimat Public Library with the continuing high caliber of service and resources. In 2012 we look forward to adding electronic books to our roster of collection formats as well as rolling out the next generation of on-line cataloguing software, the very impressive Bibliocommons.

Virginia Charron, BA MLIS



Facts & Figures

Revenue	\$	Expenditures	\$
Fines	8,515	Books & audiovisual	51,068
Photocopying service	725	Equipment purchases, repairs & maintenance	11,296
Donations	6,440	Insurance, professional fees & dues	6,890
Lost materials	1,217	Janitorial	11,133
Miscellaneous	2,167	Periodicals, subscriptions & microform	3,973
Phone/fax	540	Postage, advertising & miscellaneous	6,164
Internet	975	Program & display materials	755
Subtotal	20,579	Rent	111,600
Municipal grants		Salaries & benefits	384,120
General	393,900	Staff & board development	1,838
Rental	111,600	Stationery & supplies	7,824
Student wages top up	1,121	Telephone, Internet & utilities	4,677
Provincial grants		Travel	4,376
Library operating & resource sharing	47,082	Subtotal	605,713
Federal grant		Excess of revenue over expenditures	-15,266
Community Access Program (CAP)	9,943		
Summer career placement	6,223		
Subtotal	569,869		
Total	590,448		

Cash	27,288	Accounts receivable	6,521
Prepaid expenses	6,895	Liabilities & deferred revenue	13,631

Website hits	22,652	Days open	303/365
Patron visits	65,550	Outreach program attendees	700
Items circulated	75,323	Internet bookings	11,469
Card holders	6,840	Computer training sessions	80
Interlibrary loans & borrowing	2,581	Items added	3,947
Book reserves	1,767	Items in the collection	54,773
In-house programs	303	In-house program attendees	1,839

Board Members

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Shawn Durocher (upper photo) steps into the full time Library Assistant - Computer Tech position vacated by Elaine Periera who left after 20 years of service. Kayla Sparkes accepts the part-time Library Assistant - Children's Programmer Role (bottom photo). Congratulations to both!



Approximately 50,000 units were reshuffled over the May long weekend.



Laurie Davidson braved fierce winter conditions in October to head up training at the Library. Thank you Laurie and the BC Library Cooperative for making this new cutting edge library system training easy and enjoyable!

Special thanks to the following for their support in 2011

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