

# ANNUAL REPORT 2013



Family Day Carnival - February 10, 2013

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**Message from the Chair and Library Director**

This past year has brought many changes. With the support of the District of Kitimat we were able to offer library services once again on Sundays! We can now proudly boast that we are open every day of the week, something we have not been able to say since 2010 when we were faced with municipal funding cuts brought on by the closure of the paper mill and had to close one day a week. Personnel changes were also in order due to the retirement of long-term employee, Karin Grossmann. Congratulations are in order to Marieve Lanthier who moves into a full time Library Assistant/Children's Programmer position and to newcomer Samantha Anderson who takes over the Library Assistant/Cataloguing role. The last change, and what I feel is possibly the most exciting, is seeing how our Library incorporates emerging technology to enhance service delivery to our patrons. For example: using personal devices for downloading ebooks and emagazines; self-directed interlibrary loan request capability, computer generated late notices, and the powerful open sourced integrated library system, Sitka. This year we included ereaders to the long list of items you can check out at the library.

In closing I would like to thank the Friends of the Library, the District of Kitimat and the Trustees on the Library Board for their ongoing support and dedication. Special thanks are also extended to the Library staff and Director who ensures our community has the best library experience here in Kitimat, within the Federation and with BC OneCard, throughout all of British Columbia.

Linda Campbell  
 Kitimat Public Library Chair

Our staff keeps up to date with advances in technology and are pleased to pass on this information to you. We offer one-on-one computer instruction morning, noon or evenings at a time suitable to you. We will teach you not only Internet basics but how to use hardware devices such as laptops, iPhones, iPads, tablets; how to maneuver around databases such as Library to Go's virtual library of electronic books and audiobooks and Zino's electronic magazines' software. Should you wish instruction on software applications, such as word processing or electronic spreadsheets, that too can be arranged. Whether you require troubleshooting for your computer or want to learn what's new in the digital age, we are here to help.

While change is indeed in the air, happily much stays the same in the library world. In 2013 we offered a fun and highly interactive Mother Goose Storytime for pre-schoolers, a roster of cool events on Family Day, two packed weeks of Spring Break Activities, Christmas Holiday Fun, Senior Workshops and Author Galas. The Summer Reading Club, a July 1<sup>st</sup> parade and Comic Book Day rounded out an attractive list of free library activities.

The Kitimat Public Library enjoyed many partnerships, notably with the North Coast Library Federation, United Way, AFFNO (Association des francophones et francophiles du Nord-Ouest), the Kitimat General Hospital and Friends of the Library. We are grateful to the Northern Sentinel and Kitimat Daily Online for free on-going advertising.

On a personal note I would like to thank the Library Board for its leadership and support, to my staff for their commitment and to our membership for on going donations and suggestions for us to better meet their evolving needs.

Virginia Charron, BA MLIS  
 Library Director

## Statement of Revenue & Expenditures

	2013	2012
	\$	\$
<b>Revenue</b>		
Fines	5,977	5,926
Photocopying service	636	561
Donations	2,541	3,743
Lost materials	802	984
Miscellaneous	5,175	3,429
Phone/fax	655	318
Internet	1,269	1,029
	<u>17,055</u>	<u>15,990</u>
Municipal grants		
General	426,320	403,900
Rental	111,600	111,600
Student wages top-up	1,754	3,086
Provincial grants		
Library operating and resource sharing	54,313	63,175
Federal grants		
CAP youth interns	4,948	11,040
Summer career placements	10,387	6,488
	<u>609,322</u>	<u>599,289</u>
	<u>626,377</u>	<u>615,279</u>

	2013	2012
	\$	\$
<b>Expenditure</b>		
Advertising	3,626	1,237
Amortization	20,970	9,662
Equipment repairs & maintenance	8,698	4,146
Insurance, professional fees & dues	7,465	7,182
Janitorial	12,632	11,415
Periodicals, subscriptions & microforms	3,108	2,771
Postage and miscellaneous	5,612	7,072
Program/display materials	180	928
Rent	111,600	111,600
Salaries and benefits	391,578	400,610
Staff and Board development	2,675	2,760
Stationery and supplies	5,703	5,025
Telephone, Internet & utilities	6,692	5,196
Travel	8,026	5,692
	<u>588,565</u>	<u>575,296</u>
<b>EXCESS OF REVENUE OVER EXPENDITURE</b>	<u>37,812</u>	<u>39,983</u>

## Author Galas



Author Leisl Kaberry and  
Illustrator Kristen Caruana  
"Titanian Chronicles" Event

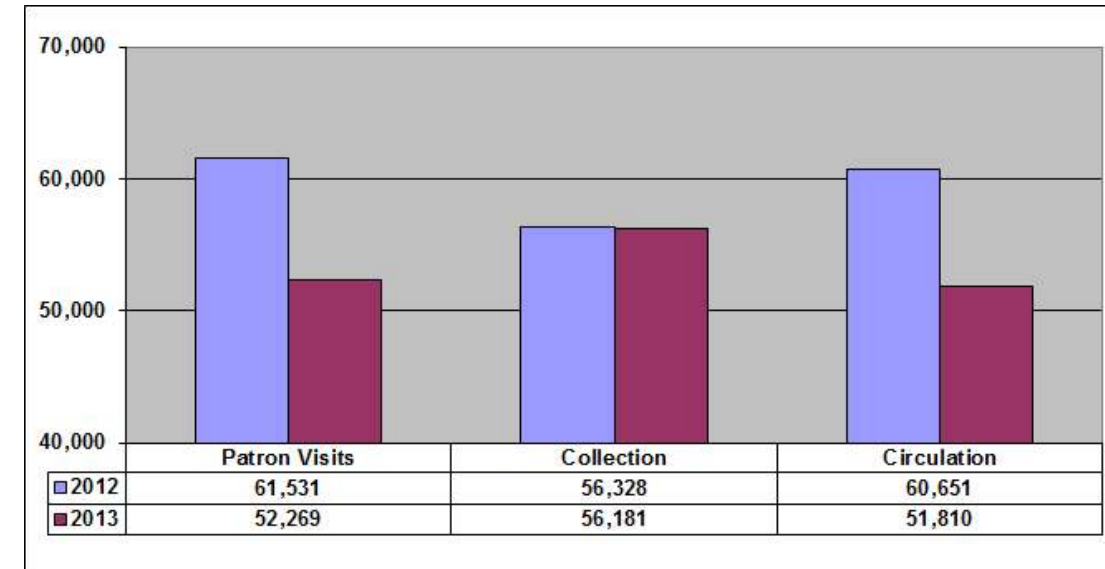


Michael Forward  
"Alex Quinn and the Gemstones  
of Dunkel" Author and Book Signing Event



Trustee Sandra Jomphe (middle), with  
Authors Jackson Davies and  
Victoria Miles  
"BC Book Prize" Soiree

## Activities at a Glance



Active Memberships	5,369
Items Added	4,722
Items Deleted	4,061
Interlibrary Loan Activity	2,284
Internet Bookings	9,637



Long term Library Technician,  
Karin Grossmann, retires in 2013.  
We will miss her!



Summer Reading Club participates in  
the July 1st parade. Superhero crayons,  
candies and comic books were doled  
out to excited spectators of all ages.



Kitimat Public Library partners with United  
Way Success By 6 and Kitimat General  
Hospital to bring books for babies and  
families to the community.

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