

ANNUAL REPORT 2014



*"Funny Business", the theme for this Summer's Reading Club
(from l to r: Erin & Heather Young, Mia Craft and Marieve Lanthier)*

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Message from Sandra Jomphe, Chair

On behalf of the Board I wish to thank the Library Director and staff, the District of Kitimat and as well the Ministry of Education without whom we could not successfully offer the wonderful services and resources that we did in 2014. As well, may I extend a sincere thank you to Ray Taylor who steps down from our Library Board after eight years of dedicated service. This year saw the development of an updated strategic plan (2014-2017), new and improved library policies and once again a balanced budget. We are especially pleased with the variety of programs offered throughout the year. Memberships are strong and the Board received many compliments from our public for the good work delivered by the public library.

Message from Virginia Charron, Library Director

Our mission is to provide and to promote to our community members open and equal access to library resources and services in order to meet their informational, educational, entertainment and cultural needs. With four and a half full time employees and three part time high school students, approximately 60,000 physical items and countless digital ones, up to date computer systems, a well designed building open seven days a week, we comfortably welcomed 54,009 on site visitors, and another 15,833 online. Our circulations totaled 53,763 and 9,434 computer sessions were booked. We offer space for community groups to use seven days a week. We are happy to offer strong early literacy programming. None of this could have been accomplished without a strong team of library assistants: Teresa deLisser, Shawn Durocher, Marieve Lanthier, Samantha Anderson.



Ray Taylor retires from the library board after 8 years of committed service. Congratulations and thank you. (from l to r: Linda Campbell, Virginia Charron, Donna McMenamon, Ray Taylor and Sandra Jomphe)

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Author Ashley Little
"The New Normal"

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Author Jesse Donaldson
"This Day in Vancouver"

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Author Alisha Sevigny
"Kissing Frogs"

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Author Phyllis Wheaton
"In the Mood for Peace"
Jessica Dafoe, Shawn Durocher,
Virginia Charron and
Tom Poole join author and
musician Phyllis Wheaton

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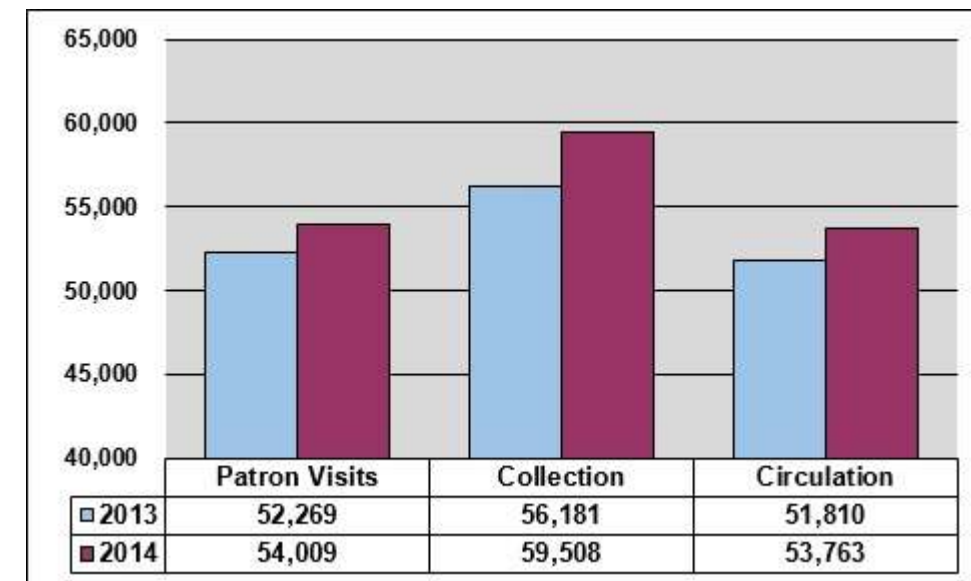
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**KITIMAT PUBLIC LIBRARY ASSOCIATION
STATEMENT OF REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31**

	2014	2013
	\$	\$
REVENUE		
Fines	5 524	5 977
Photocopying service	684	636
Donations	1 559	2 541
Lost materials	616	802
Miscellaneous	6 886	5 175
Phone/fax	716	655
Internet	1 511	1 269
	<u>17 496</u>	<u>17 055</u>
Municipal grants		
General	440 518	426 320
Rental	111 600	111 600
Student wages top-up	884	1 754
Provincial grants		
Library operating and resource sharing	55 699	54 313
Federal grants		
CAP youth interns	-	4 948
Summer career placements	6 492	10 387
Other	2 500	-
	<u>617 693</u>	<u>609 322</u>
	<u>635 189</u>	<u>626 377</u>
EXPENDITURE		
Advertising	1 174	3 626
Amortization	30 692	20 970
Equipment repairs and maintenance	10 473	8 698
Insurance, professional fees and dues	7 571	7 465
Janitorial	12 565	12 632
Periodicals, subscriptions and microforms	2 562	3 108
Postage and miscellaneous	8 880	5 792
Rent	111 600	111 600
Salaries and benefits	397 529	391 578
Staff and Board development	2 669	2 675
Stationery and supplies	7 853	5 703
Telephone, internet and utilities	5 558	6 692
Travel	7 016	8 026
	<u>606 142</u>	<u>588 565</u>
EXCESS OF REVENUE OVER EXPENDITURE	<u>29 047</u>	<u>37 812</u>

Activities at a Glance



Active Memberships	5,277
Items Added	4,294
Items Deleted	1,074
Interlibrary Loan Activity	2,543
Internet Bookings	9,434

Message from Marieve, Children's Programmer



Children and their caregivers always seem to have loads of fun at our scheduled events - whether it be a teddy bear's picnic, a pirate's day craft, Just Dance Wii party, silly science experiments, Lego building, or writing to Santa. Dressing up for a fairy tale, donning a mustache and sword, or coming as you are to Mother Goose Monday StoryTimes, it's all about fun with rhymes, sing-alongs, hand-clapping, foot stomping and felt stories in a fun environment. My favourites for this year though had to be, hands down, delivering our full production puppet play "The Balloon Tree" for an audience of 150 and our Peace Day celebrations which attracted at least 300! What's next? In 2015 I am looking forward to crafting Valentines Cards for our Canadian Veterans with help from all of our school aged children, entertaining children of all ages with Canada's favourite family ventriloquist, Neale Bacon and his Crazy Critters, and hosting internationally acclaimed Haisla author, Eden Robinson who will liven up the Kitimat Library with her voracious laughter, wittiness, and perhaps a sneak preview of her upcoming novel! Stay tuned, there is a lot of excitement to come!

Special thanks to the following for their support in 2014

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