

## *Change, the Economy and a BIG Thank You!*

This past year Leland Township Library efforts mirrored the two major issues facing our country today – change and the economy. Fortunately, our experience in both areas has been positive thanks to our community.

First, a major change is coming to the library this summer. After a thorough planning and fund-raising process, construction began in February on the facility upgrading and renovation project. The Library Board expects our patrons will be pleased and excited with newly designed and improved efficiency of our interior. Efforts were made to provide updated resources while enhancing the library's natural setting.

By now everyone has been affected in some way by the difficult economy we're facing. During these tough economic times, our patrons can benefit greatly from the resources and services provided by the library. We look forward to increased usage and meeting new patrons in 2009.

Finally, the Library Board would like to thank the many people involved in making our transition possible – those who provided input into the renovation design, the Friends of the Leland Township Library who continued their financial support, and those donors who contributed so generously to making our project such a success. Thank you for your support, and we hope you enjoy the new look of your Township Library.

Pay us a visit. We think you'll be pleased.

Alan Hartwick, President  
Leland Township Library Board

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Donations to the Library and to the Friends of the Library are tax deductible. In 2008, we received memorial and celebratory donations in the names of 26 friends and neighbors from 42 donors totaling \$2270—thanks for thinking of the Library with your gifts.



## *Leland Township Library*

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### NEW Year around HOURS

Monday	Closed
Tuesday	10-5
Wednesday	10-6
Thursday	10-5
Friday	10-5
Saturday	10-2

## *Leland Township Library Annual Report: 2008/2009*



### MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the Leland Township Public Library is to provide library materials and services for the enjoyment, education, and enrichment of Township residents and visitors of all ages.

*“There is not such a cradle of democracy upon the earth as the Free Public Library.”*

*Andrew Carnegie*



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## 2008-2009 Statistics

NUMBERS OF . . .	Totals
Households Registered	2446
Print Volumes	20,021
Audio Volumes	2,357
Video/DVDs	4,950
Music CDs	1,335
Periodical Subscriptions	76
Hours of Service/Year	1716
Items Circulated/Year	22,000
People using Public Computers	4,467
People using Copy/Fax Services	1,526
Events held in Munnecke Room	141
Yearly & Number people	3,400
Households Checking out Materials (dup)	6,900
Materials Added to Collections	2,072

## Other Services Offered . . .

- ◆ Weekly Children's Story Time (10:30 on Wednesday)
- ◆ Free Michigan and Federal Tax Forms
- ◆ Educational Coordination with Leland Public and St. Mary Schools
- ◆ Off-Site Bookshelves in Cedar at Bank One and (NEW THIS YEAR! in Lake Leelanau at Catholic Credit Union
- ◆ Four public computers; black and white and color printers
- ◆ Photo copy machine and fax machine for public use
- ◆ 24/7 unlimited wireless access
- ◆ Outreach services to seniors, the county jail, and homebound patrons
- ◆ Volunteer opportunities in a variety of areas for our community members
- ◆ Consumer reports, local area reports, and information about public meetings
- ◆ News subscriptions to Leelanau Enterprise, Traverse City Record Eagle, Barrons, Christian Science Monitor, New York Times

(Sunday), Wall Street Journal, Detroit Free Press

- ◆ Meeting space free to general public and non-profits accommodating 100+ people, with wireless and cable access in the Munnecke Room—ask us about this great space
- ◆ Subscription to 69 magazines and periodicals
- ◆ Service to convert your vinyl records into CDs for \$5.00 per record
- ◆ Used books as well as audio books and movies for sale
- ◆ In-Library access to the State of Michigan electronic Library (MeL), offering access to over \$3.6 million worth of subscriptions and data sources covering topics in business, health, science, technology, education, as well as practice tests for academic and career preparation, and genealogy and local history materials AND MORE
- ◆ Over 650 movies for rent for \$1.00 per movie for 4 days; 4,300 movies FREE
- ◆ First release books in fiction, mystery, non-fiction for all reader levels almost as quickly as they are available in bookstores

## 2008-09 Budget Report

### Revenues

SOURCE	% of Total Revenue
State Aid	1 %
Sales, Fees, Fines	11 %
County Penal Fines	10 %
Township Funding	64 %
Community Donations	14 %

### Expenditures

CATEGORY	% of Total Budget
Personnel	49 %
Materials	23 %
Building Maintenance	14 %
Operations	14 %

2008 Operational cost per capita for Leland Township Library was \$ 22.03 – the lowest cost per capita of any library in Leelanau County. The national average cost per capita for libraries our size is \$38.00.

## 2008-09 Highlights & Services

- ◆ Began our five-year planned total **interior library renovation** on February 11<sup>th</sup>, 2009 with Easing Construction Company as the contractor—anticipated completion late May!
- ◆ Underwent a hugely successful **Capital Campaign** in the Fall of 2008, recording donations of \$173,425 in cash, pledges, and in-kind donations for our renovation project!
- ◆ Once again, offered a hugely successful **summer reading program** thanks to our Assistant Librarian Donna Stowe, with 278 participants.
- ◆ Opened a new **"Branch" library** at the Catholic Federal Credit Union in Lake Leelanau – all books are loaned on the honor system. Check it out!
- ◆ Wrapped up all the activities and actions outlined in our first ever **Five Year Plan**.
- ◆ Welcomed new **community volunteer** to our ranks – Mary Lou Landry volunteers on Saturday mornings.
- ◆ **Cataloged** and entered into our automated circulation system all 650 of our **rental movies** – no more forms to fill out! This was a huge project undertaken and completed by volunteers Bobbie and Jim Eggert. They are awesome.
- ◆ Again participated with greater community in **Toys for Tots** Christmas Program.
- ◆ Participated with other Leland businesses **decorating three lighted Christmas trees** on the river – courtesy of donations by Mark Nesbitt and Sara McVay.
- ◆ Hosted several **Kindergarten and pre-school community story times** at the Library during the winter months.
- ◆ Sponsored LOTS of **community events**: Real Heroes Read; Richard Peck Book Signing; Ben Spitzer Magic Show; Dr. Duke Elsner, MSU Entomologist, river bug walk; Darcy the Dog; Children's Photo Contest; In-house butterfly house; plus 10 special story time programs; and Robert Underhill, local author, book signing & breakfast buffet.
- ◆ **Collaborated** with Leelanau Historical Society and Leelanau Community Cultural Center (Old Art Building) to promote 'cultural campus' concept here on the River in Leland. Look for increased collaborative events this year!