2014 Annual Report
of the Peoria Public Library
<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Library Location</th>
<th>Main</th>
<th>Tuesday</th>
<th>Wednesday</th>
<th>Thursday</th>
<th>Friday</th>
<th>Saturday</th>
<th>Sunday</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Main Library</td>
<td>9-6</td>
<td>9-6</td>
<td>9-6</td>
<td>9-6</td>
<td>9-6</td>
<td>9-6</td>
<td>x</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>North Branch</td>
<td>10-8</td>
<td>x</td>
<td>10-8</td>
<td>10-8</td>
<td>x</td>
<td>10-6</td>
<td>10-6</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Lakeview Branch</td>
<td>10-8</td>
<td>10-8</td>
<td>10-8</td>
<td>x</td>
<td>10-8</td>
<td>10-6</td>
<td>10-6</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Lincoln Branch</td>
<td>10-8</td>
<td>10-8</td>
<td>x</td>
<td>10-8</td>
<td>10-8</td>
<td>10-6</td>
<td>12-5</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>McClure Branch</td>
<td>9-6</td>
<td>9-6</td>
<td>9-6</td>
<td>9-6</td>
<td>9-6</td>
<td>9-6</td>
<td>x</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
• Began offering a popular tech series for Young People including sessions on Raspberry Pi and playing Minecraft. Minecraft sessions regularly filled the computer lab and expanded to a second session at Lincoln Branch, offering experiences to a neighborhood that does not have equal access. Levels the playing field.
• Offered monthly free concerts open to all ages.
• Hosted: Lincoln, The Constitution and The Civil War that explored how President Abraham Lincoln used the constitution to confront the secession of southern states, slavery and wartime liberties. Organized by National Constitution Center and the American Library Association Public Programs Office. Made possible by major grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities. Accompanied by various programs some supported by the Illinois Arts Council Agency.
• Changing America: The Emancipation Proclamation, 1863 and the March on Washington, 1963, viewed by approximately 6,000 people at the Main Library, helped our community understand the relationship between these two great peoples’ movements and take inspiration from those who marched toward freedom.
• Lincoln: The Constitution and the Civil War, viewed by approximately 4,800 people at the Main Library, showed our community how President Abraham Lincoln’s leadership and constitutional vision steered the nation through its most turbulent years and into a future that forever changed America.
• Peoria Reads! selection Lincoln: The Constitution and the Civil War, 1863 and the March on Washington, 1963. The event was a “friend-raiser” that brought 134 new memberships to the Friends and exposed thousands of people to a message about how The Friends assist in bringing programming to Peoria Public Library.
• A “Database miniseries” was held for homeschooling parents introducing them to Brainfuse/Help Now, Mango Languages and local history resources.
• Former Peorian and award-winning mystery author Dorothy Cannell appeared at an afternoon tea fund-raising event for the Friends.
• Launched a revised circulation policy that ensures more materials are circulated to more people.
• A graphic novel writing contest for students was held. Graphic novel writing workshops were presented at North Branch and Lakeview Branch to prepare students for the contest.
• Friends of Peoria Public Library won the Pat Landen Award from The Central Illinois Public Relations Association for the publicity campaign created by library staff for the event “The World of Downton Abbey with Jessica Fellowes” The event was a “friend-raiser” that brought 90 people to her book Longbourn. The award-winning author visited a select few libraries on her U.S. tour.

E-book programs Alliance Digital Media Library and E-Read Illinois increased check out allowances from 3 to 5 and added new easy apps for accessing content on all devices. E-read Illinois now over 18,000 titles.
• A Back to Books Grant of $3,000 from Illinois State Library a Division of the Office of the Secretary of State using funds provided by the Institute of Museum and Library Services in a changing neighborhood.
• Celebrated Family Reading Night, statewide celebration, with family reading activities.
• Co-sponsored Winter Read with Peoria Reads! and Peoria Community Against Violence (PCAV) as a support for the Don’t Shoot Program. Peoria Public Library, Peoria Reads!, and Peoria Community Against Violence (PCAV) worked together to initiate a new city-wide reading program called “Winter Read” to encourage individuals and groups in Peoria to read one or all of the selected books and participate in discussions about building a safe community.
This Year in Numbers

- Items borrowed: 1,242,037
- Visitors: 759,889
- Cardholders: 50,113
- Items in Collection: 526,884
- Computer uses: 113,285
- Questions answered: 61,220
- Volunteer hours: 3,321.25
- Program attendance: 12,171

5595 People of all ages read for more than 117,495 hours over seven weeks

The Friends provided support for the programming and other extras not covered by the budget. They pay for the Summer Reading party each year, support author visits, provide materials and prizes for children’s programs and more.

In 2014 the Friends supported Peoria Public Library with $18,270 raised by volunteers mostly through The Friendly Finds Bookstore and book sale shelves at branches. To learn more about the Friends visit http://www.peoriapubliclibrary.org

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Income
- Local Government, City of Peoria property taxes: $6,328,273
- State Government: $617,594
- Federal Government: $4,200
- Other: Endowment, interest income, gifts, fees, etc.: $147,501

Total: $7,097,568

Expenses
- Salaries, Wages, Benefits: $4,774,125
- Operating Expenses: $1,179,929
- Materials: Books, etc.: $870,407
- Capital Outlay: $37,441

Total: $6,861,902

Grants Awarded
- Illinois State Library Per Capita Grant Program, for books and other library materials: $143,759
- Library Services and Technology Act: Back to Books – Spanish Language Materials: $3,000
- Illinois Secretary of State: Project Next Generation: $12,500
- American Library Association: Changing America: $1,700
- Illinois Humanities Council: Peoria Reads: $2,500
- Illinois Arts Council Agency: Abraham Lincoln in Song: $275
- Illinois Arts Council Agency: Switchback: $250
- First LEGO League: $150

Total: $164,134
2013-2014 Library Board of Trustees
Edward J. Barry, Jr., Secretary
Stephen M. Buck
Margaret E. Cousin, President
Lucy D. Gulley
F. Eugene Rebholz
Debbie Ritschel, Vice President
Sid P. Ruckriegel
Barbara Van Auken
Jeanne Williamson

Library Administration
Leann Johnson, Director
Roberta Koscielski, Assistant Director

Library City Council Liaison:
Ryan Spain