CEDAR FALLS PUBLIC LIBRARY

Annual Report FY2013

Quick Facts

July 1, 2012-June 30, 2013 at CFPL

Circulation of Library Materials	*436,570*
Number of Cardholders	*34,576*
Reference Questions Answered	*31,726*
Events & Attendance	*854 eventss* *21,214 attendance*
Summer Library Program Participation	*1,339 youth* *66 teens* *60 adults*
Volunteers & Volunteer Hours	*143 volunteers* *4,494 hours*
Library Visitors	*241,641*
Public Computer & Wi-fi Sessions	*51,595*
Size of Collection & Turnover Rate	*124,513* *3.5*
Meeting Room Use	*755*
Staff FTEs	*21.13*
Total Items Added to the Collection	*19,239*
Fines & Fees Collected	*$37,033*
Sources of Operating Income:	
City of Cedar Falls	*1,216,784*
Special Library Levy	*374,413*
Black Hawk County	*21,096*
Other Cities	*63,115*
State of Iowa	*31,340*
Endowments/Gifts	*111,026*

RFID Conversion

In spring 2013, the Library began the process of retagging all library materials. Our old system was obsolete, so thanks to the Cedar Falls Civic Foundation Library Building Fund, the Black Hawk County Gaming Association, the Roy J Carver Charitable Trust, and hundreds of volunteer hours, we accomplished this huge undertaking.

New selfcheck machines were installed, as well as new security gates. Late in 2013, an Automated Materials Handler was installed in a new exterior book drop, allowing patrons to check in their own materials any time of day or day of the week.

Visiting Authors

- Frederick Blanch
- Scott Cawelti
- Jennifer Chiaverini
- Susan Dennard
- Elizabeth Fixmer
- Jocelyn Green
- William Jamerson
- Mary Potter Kenyon
- Ingrid Law
- Linda McCann
- Mary Nielsen

Special Events for Youth

- Dig Into Reading Summer Reading Program, with Conductor Jack, Dinoman, Tom Pease, and Dan Wardell, and Daniel Poe the Balloon Artist
- Hosted author Ingrid Law for Cedar Valley's Youth Read
- Offered hundreds of events, including original puppet shows, along with weekly story times, crafts, monthly family movies, Legopalooza, 21 Days of Tree Trim
- Hosted Sign Language classes for families
- Hosted Duffy Hudson as Dr. Seuss
- Installed the artistic literacy support Burgeon tractor, puppet theatre, and interactive panels

Teen Activities

- United States of YA Summer Reading Program, with Jason Huneke, Writers' Workshop Series, Reading Challenges, and Laser Tag After Hours
- Crafts and gaming afternoons
- Graphic Novel Club
- Tie-Dye Workshop

Special Events for Adults….

- Musician Danny Santos
- Genealogy Extravaganza with Lisa Louise Cooke
- Beginning Gardening, with ISU Extension
- Cold Cases: Genealogists, Coroners, and the FBI, with Megan Smolenyak Smolenyak
- Memoir Class
- The Case of the Countryside Killer—Murder Mystery 5
- Preservation 101, with Sally Jacobs
- Duffy Hudson in "A Christmas Carol"
- Your Guide to Celebrating the Holidays, with Janet O'Connell
- From Webster City to Hollywood: The Best Years of Our Lives, with Grant Tracey
- Cedar Valley Ghost Hunters
- Raising Memorials to the Dead: Architectural Styles in American Cemeteries, with Tom Connors
- Adult Craft Classes
- Michael Fitzsimmons: Drums of the World Concert
- Iowa Ghosts & the Afterlife, with Terry Fisk
- Wine & Chocolate, with Julie Shimek
- U.S. Millitary Insignia of the Second World War, with Ron McMahon
- Ground Breaking Reads: Adult Summer Reading Program
- Computer Classes, movies, and book discussions

Hottest Titles of the Year:

DVDs:

1. Brave
2. Marvel's The Avengers
3. We Bought A Zoo
4. Lucky One
5. Hope Springs
6. Best Exotic Marigold Hotel
7. Snow White & the Huntsman
8. The Odd Life of Timothy Green
9. Madagascar 3
10. The Hunger Games
11. Abraham Lincoln, Vampire Hunter

Books:

1. Gone Girl, Gillian Flynn.
2. Catching Fire, Suzanne Collins
3. Fifty Shades Freed, E.L. James
4. The Pact: A Love Story, Jodi Picoult
5. Something Borrowed, Emily Giffin
6. Fifty Shades of Grey, E.L. James
7. Lone Wolf, Jodi Picoult
8. Mockingjay, Suzanne Collins

Top Freegal Downloadable Songs:

1. Just Give Me a Reason, P!nk featuring Nate Ruess
2. Skyfall, Adele
3. I Will Wait, Mumford & Sons
4. Blow Me (One Last Kiss), P!nk
5. 50 Ways to Say Goodbye, Train
6. Try, P!nk
7. Catch My Breath, Kelly Clarkson
8. Troublemaker, Olly Murs featuring Flo Rida

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And….

- Partnered in Cinco de Mayo
- Served as a World Book Night location
- Bill Close & Jean Melick redesigned the Redfern Display Case
- Collected 1,340 pounds of food in exchange for old library fines
- Offered Genealogy Month with several educational sessions
- Began circulating Nooks with pre-loaded titles
- Promoted books on Pinterest & GoodReads
- Added video games for Wii & Xbox
- Added downloadable magazines
- Added the My Reading History feature