

# Annual Report, 2010

## LIBRARY BOARD

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## DIRECTOR

*Carol Boyce*

## LIBRARY HOURS

### Winter

M 2-9

T, W, Th 9-9

F 9-6

S 9-5

Sun 1-5

### Summer

M, T, W, Th 9-9

F 9-6

## VESTAL PUBLIC LIBRARY

320 Vestal Pkwy East

Vestal, NY 13850

## RENEWALS, CARDS,

## CHILDREN'S DEPT:

(607) 754-4243

## INFORMATION SERVICES:

(607) 754-4244

<u>Library holdings</u>	161,783
Books	122,537
Audio (tapes & CDs)	10,322
Videos & DVDs	4,263
Periodicals & Pamphlets	10,775
Paperbacks	13,625
Microforms & electronic files	261

Registered borrowers 19,597

Circulation 225,101

Public computer use (users) 20,286

Visits to Library's website 13,803

Visits to the Library 145,309

## Information Services Department

Reference queries answered 40,149

Interlibrary Loans borrowed 8,673

Interlibrary Loans sent 12,194

## Children's Department

Programs 117

Attendance 2,050

## Meeting Rooms

Number of meetings 1,034

Attendance 15,378

## The Year in Review

Whew, we made it through 2010! Cuts made in the 2010 budget caused us to begin our summer schedule one week earlier than usual. Nevertheless, even with a tight budget, things still went well.

Over the course of the year the Library, with the help of the Friends of the Library, purchased new flat screen monitors for our public internet computers, plus new chairs for those workstations and for the meeting rooms. In addition, Information Services staff, again with the help of the Friends, began an official website and then a Facebook page.

The Children's Department continued to do a great job. The Bark-9 Reading Program brought friendly dogs and children together throughout the year. Story hours and the Summer Reading Program encouraged many children to read and keep their minds active when they were not in school. A new program, the Teen Wii get-togethers, began during 2010 and became a monthly program during the summer, drawing a steadily growing number of participants through the year.

Staff illnesses plagued us this year, at times making scheduling a major challenge. However, those staff still standing met the day-to-day requirements seamlessly, and my hat is off to those who were able to remain on duty. By the end of the year, most employees had recovered and returned to their public service posts.

The end of the year brought another blow from Broome County. Talked out of zeroing out their funding for all nine of the public libraries in the County—thanks to a hue and cry from public library patrons—\$65,000 of County funding (down from over \$200,000 in 2010) was restored. This whopping cut brought major changes for the Library during a very painful 2011 budget process.

The Friends of the Library continue to be a source of support, purchasing needed items with revenue they raise throughout the year, and I thank them most sincerely. Town of Vestal employees also rate my thanks, as they help us in many ways, from maintaining our computer network to plowing the parking lot in the winter. Together, along with the Library Board, these groups join me and the Library staff in bringing to the public the service it wants at a price it wants to pay.

*Carol Boyce, Director*

## Financial Report

<u>Income &amp; receipts</u>		<u>Expenditures</u>	
Starting balance	\$ 419,498	Salaries & benefits	\$ 601,140
Vestal property taxes	526,724	Library materials	101,192
Broome County Aid	214,714	Building operation & maintenance	76,199
NY State Aid	454	Capital expenditures	4,450
Fines & fees	12,606	Contracts with 4CLS	37,889
Investments	2,746	Miscellaneous	40,871
Miscellaneous	21,544	Transfer to other funds	0
Transfer from Capital Fund	0	Ending balance	336,545
Total Income & receipts	\$1,198,286	Total Expenditures	\$1,198,286