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Mission Statement
The mission of Sewickley Public Library is to serve as a center for lifelong learning by providing free access to informational, educational, cultural and recreational library resources that address the interests and needs of the children and adults in the Quaker Valley region.

The Library seeks to fulfill its mission by providing access to the world of ideas and imagination through its educational and informational resources, enrichment programs, welcoming environment and competent staff and volunteers.

Adopted by the Board of Directors July 12, 2004

Annual Report 2012
The library serves the following communities (and beyond):
- Aleppo
- Leet Township
- Bell Acres
- Leetsdale
- Edgeworth
- Glen Osborne
- Glenfield
- Sewickley Borough
- Haysville
- Sewickley Hills
- Sewickley Heights

The library connects us with the insight and knowledge, painfully extracted from Nature, of the greatest minds that ever were, with the best teachers, drawn from the entire planet and from all our history, to instruct us without tiring, and to inspire us to make our own contribution to the collective knowledge of the human species.

Carl Sagan, Cosmos
**Did you know...**

The library checked out 337,121 items to patrons in 2012. The library owns 94,975 items. This means that the turnover rate, or how many times each item is checked out, is 3.5 times per item. The national average is 2.6. This means that SPL has a hard working collection of books, CDs, DVDs and more.

As a member of the Allegheny County Library Association, SPL shares materials with 74 other libraries in the county. In 2012 Sewickley patrons borrowed 62,006 items from other libraries—at no expense to the borrower. Sewickley Public Library lent 67,279 items to patrons at other libraries in Allegheny County.

254,162 people crossed the library threshold in 2012.

**What did they do?**

- **Enjoy programs.** 25,243 people attended 1,348 programs offered by the library. Program attendance increased by 5% over last year and the number of program offerings increased by 9%.
- **Use computers.** The library has 43 desktop computers and three laptop computers available for the public to use. In 2012, the library recorded 44,549 logins on the computers for a total use of 2,227,522 minutes.
- **Attend meetings.** The library’s community room, conference room and study room were reserved 1,692 times for tutoring, literacy instruction and testing, service organization meetings and a variety of other purposes. This is a13% increase above last year’s use. Attendance at the meetings increased by 21%.
- **Get e-reader training.** Training programs for the use of e-readers and downloading of digital materials were hosted by SPL’s librarians and were very popular. 5,182 items (e-books, e-audio, or e-video) were downloaded in 2012. 1,475 digital items were downloaded in 2011 and only 28 items in 2010.

**Statistically speaking...**

**Circulation of all library materials**

337,121 items

**Book circulation:**

196,106 books

Add e-books of 4,156 = 200,262 books

**Audio & video circulation:**

125,163 CDs, DVDs, etc.

Add 963 e-audio and 63 e-video = 126,189 AV items

**Newspaper and magazine circulation:**

6,300 items

SPL subscribes to over 200 journals

**Miscellaneous circulation:**

2,707 items

Misc. refers to scores, multimedia items, kits, special AV, electronic resources, etc.

**Program & meeting attendance**

29,045 people

**Staff & Volunteers**

The library employed 38 people:

1 Full time director
1 Full time office manager
1 Part time accountant
12 Librarians: 4 full time, 8 part time
24 Circulation clerks & pages: 23 part time; 1 full time
1 Part time maintenance/handyman

Daily, volunteers provided significant support to the library by assisting with day to day circulation duties. Two volunteers order, sort and deliver materials to homebound individuals for the Books on Wheels program. Our volunteers logged a total of 1,877 hours.

486 hours were donated by teens and adults who assisted with the Children’s Summer Reading Club and other programs in the Children’s Department.

The hours recorded above do not reflect the uncounted hours the Friends of the Sewickley Public Library donate on behalf of fundraising and volunteer activities for the library.

**Financially...**

**2012 Financial Information**

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**The Friends of the Library**

The Friends, through fundraising activities such as used book sales and Savoring Sewickley, donate $54,000 to the library in support of our many collections. Annually, they provide an extra $10,000 for Summer Reading Club prizes; Battle of the Books prizes and books; payments toward a five year lease for a color/copier printer and the yearly microfilming of the Sewickley Herald and other staff requests.

In 2012 the Friends began a new fundraising collaboration with Bruegger’s Bagel Bakery in Sewickley. Presentation of a library coupon at Bruegger’s every other Saturday garners the Friends with a percentage of the sales.

**The Endowment**

On December 31, 2012, library endowment investment funds were valued at $472,966.