ONTARIO PUBLIC LIBRARY

Connecting community and resources in a welcoming, inclusive environment that fosters creativity and continuous learning

2022 Report to the Community

New in 2022

- The Empire Pass is here! Borrow a pass and visit NYS Parks for free. We added the passes in Spring. They are loaned for a week and good year round. Free access is per car. The Friends of OPL paid for the passes. Now's the time to get outside and see more of New York!
- hoopla®, a streaming service, was added for member access to movies, music, graphic novels, Great Courses and more digital resources.
- OPL went Fine Free! Most materials are loaned without fines or late fees.
 Learn more about <u>Fine Free on our</u> <u>website.</u>



Storytime Sugar House / Gingerbread House Tour



"Oceans of Possibilities" Summer Reading Display by A. Rehor and Staff

A Little Fun from the Year!

- The Ontario Annual Tree Lighting returned to Ridge Road this year. More than 800 residents attended for stories, music which included the Beneway High School Choir, dancing, refreshments, crafts, and other activities. The event was a collaborative effort among OPL, Ridge Road businesses (BID), Town of Ontario, Chamber of Commerce, and Santa.
- The Ontario Storytime Sugar House, built with the tiny hands of storytime readers, was displayed for the December Gingerbread House Tour at all WC libraries. The event was sponsored by the Wayne County Business Council, and supplies provided by Wegmans.

Progress Report

Strategic Plan: 2020 - 2024

Library Space: Meet the Needs of the Community

The NY State Library (NYSL) approved our 2021-2022 grant application to improve our Main Room space. The award pays 55% of anticipated costs to build two small rooms plus other improvements. The use of the new spaces is for small group meetings, and separately, study space.

Increase Membership: The Library is a point of Community Pride

The online filing of member applications was added. Begun as a temporary measure during COVID closures, for homebound people without memberships who wanted to join. Online cards for 'digital service only' started with funding by related vendors. Open licensing for new members ended in 2021. Subsequently, vendor contracts allowed the expansion of online membership for residents without significant costs. The card application process was made permanent with access for all resources. Adding this new access point is a benefit to residents! We already see higher visitor counts and library use measurements.

Strengthen Library Success: Planning & Training

Evolving library operations require staff and Trustees to maintain currency in library business, marketing practices, legal structures, and technology. We completed over 45 hours relevant training in 2022.

Our Trustees

Lauren Frank, President. 2019 - 2023 Anne Jurgens, Vice-President. 2021-2025 Alan Seigel, Secretary. 2020-2024 Sean Arliss 2021- 2026 Gail Kirchgessner 2023 - 2027

Trustees are town residents who volunteer their time in service to the Ontario community!

Trustees meet bimonthly on the 3rd Tuesday starting January. Meetings are at 5:00pm in the Community Room, and are open to the public. Schedules may change and should be confirmed on our website.



Weekly Drop-in Knitters; Everybody is Welcome!

Library Budget

INCOME	2022	2021
Local Public Funds	\$552,199	\$495,100
Library fees & Services	\$4,014	\$3,930
Donations	\$3,660	\$2,312
Grants	\$8,612	\$6,417
Interest	\$524	\$322
TOTAL INCOME	\$569,009	\$508,081
EXPENSES	2022	2021
Personnel/Development	\$442,618	\$422,429
Computers/Equipment	\$5,438	\$2,027
Network/OWWL	\$16,841	\$15,625
Collection Materials	\$48,765	\$30,231
Programs & Classes	\$2,991	\$3,537
Supplies	\$4,269	\$4,277
Professional Costs	\$17,237	\$2,863
Fund Balance	\$30,850	\$27,092
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$569,009	\$508,081

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