



Annual Report 2008-09

Houghton Lake Public Library

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Hours: M-Th. 10:00 am-7:00 pm

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All library programs are free and open to the public.

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Mission - "To provide informational, educational, recreational, and aesthetic resources ..."

LIBRARY COLLECTION

Books: 39,676 **Audiobooks:** 1,261

Videos: 1,696 **Music CDs:** 1,543 **DVDs:** 966

Magazines: 103 **Newspapers:** 8

Internet Use: 15,112 [Wi Fi: 779] (21% increase)

Items Checked Out: 71,715 (5% increase)

Items Added to Collection - 1,497 books, 689 music CDs, 113 audio books, 268 DVDs, and 1,353 magazines

LIBRARY SERVICES

Programs & Attendance: Adults: 27 - 1,111.

Children: 149 - 3,341. Total: 176 - 4,452

Community Meeting Room - 144 reservations

(37% increase in usage!)

MeLCat Statewide Borrowing - 6,651 items. 2,528 to Houghton Lake Public Library, 4,123 from Houghton Lake Public Library. (92% increase!)

Free Online Access - MeL Databases, World Book Encyclopedia, Tumblebooks, Do-It-Yourself Reference Centers

LIBRARY REVENUES: \$660,786.00

LIBRARY EXPENDITURES: \$548,892.00

Houghton Lake Public Library Excellence Fund in the Roscommon County Community Foundation -

Book sale proceeds (\$1,096.40) were deposited in this fund. Balance: \$7,376.32

THANK YOU!

Many volunteers generously served their Library: The Library Board of Trustees, the Roscommon County Master Gardeners (who unfailingly maintain the garden and landscaped areas so beautifully year after year) and, all of you who assisted with programming for all ages!

Highlights

Summer Reading Programs - Registered 132 children, 83 adults

WELCOME WIGGLERS! - Stories, songs, and activities for listeners ages 3-5 years

Page-Turners - Bi-monthly adult reading discussion club

Battle of the Books for 4th-6th graders - Houghton Lake competed against Gerrish-Higgins School District Public Library and McBain Community Library. Houghton Lake won the championship!

Great Stories Club with Nokomis Challenge Center and Shawano Center - Reading Program for Troubled Teens

Duct Tape Guy, William Beacom, who appeared on the David Letterman Show, used every handyman's favorite tool to create unbelievable things in this family fun event!

Parking Lot Addition - Added 32 spaces!

Michigan State Police Lt. Bronco Lesneski - Spoke about the true story of a brutal double homicide in Michigan--and an 18-year-long quest for justice -- from the book, *Darker Than Night*, by Tom Henderson

Author Book Talk - Dr. Eileen Schweickert - *Funny Farm*

Author Book Talk - Nancy Shaw - *Raccoon Tune*

Author Book Talk and Pizza Party - Gary Schmidt for Battle of the Books readers

Collaborated with Kirtland Community College's Service Learning Program, which supports civic engagement. Student Feather Huffman chose to contribute her service hours to the Battle of the Books program. Thanks, Feather!

BATTLE OF THE BOOKS 2009



Photo - The Houghton Lake Resorter



**Final Champions
Book Bombers!**

Grants

Wal-Mart Foundation (2 Wils) - \$650.00 for summer reading grand prizes

IBM - Matching Grant \$75.00

Picturing America Posters - American Library Association & National Endowment for the Humanities

North Central Arts Council - \$250.00 for summer reading program

Roscommon County United Way - \$116.50 for Professor Anson Pantz

DolGen Corp. Inc. - \$500.00 for Battle of the Books

Donations

Rev. Charles & Adele Darocy
Michael Ignat ~ Patricia Schwarz
Greg Bodker ~ Kirtland Garden Club
Pam Bauchan ~ Donna Alward
Jan Manley ~ Lisa Sutton
Mary Gottleber

In Memory /Gifts

In Memory of Mildred Lee McCormic - \$1,220.00
Barbara Duncan Estate - \$9,381.52
In Memory of David Miller - \$290.00

Game On! @ your Library!



Madagascar Hissing Cockroaches in the Library!



In a unique afterschool literacy program, children from Houghton Lake created a special vacation brochure highlighting the best things for kids to do while visiting Houghton Lake.



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Best of
HOUGHTON LAKE
for Kids by Kids



MICHIGAN'S
OTHER GREAT LAKE!