

2010 ANNUAL REPORT



Wright Memorial Public Library



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Wright Memorial Public Library Foundation raised \$12,000 in its first annual fund drive.



Wright Library was recognized by *Library Journal* as one of "America's Star Libraries."

A NOTE FROM THE DIRECTOR



Ann Snively
Director, Wright Library

Libraries are changing and dynamic places.

Where access to information once depended on the printed page, Wright Library now offers an array of ***new technologies and resources*** including computer training, online databases and learning resources, 24-hour-a-day remote access from your home, high speed Internet and wireless access, and downloadable eBooks.

Of course, there are still all those great books and magazines, audio books, music, and DVDs that you have come to expect and enjoy. Plus, there is always something going on at the Library. From exhibits and classes, to homework help and lectures, to early literacy training and summer reading programs, Wright Library is abuzz with programs and services that make it a ***central place in the community.***

Libraries have always been places of opportunity, self-help and lifelong learning. With today's technology, libraries are reaching ***beyond their walls*** to connect with you, wherever you are.

Come see what's new @ your Library!

Ann Snively
Director

MANY THANKS

On Friday, December 17th Wright Library hosted a ***Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon.***

Volunteers who have helped throughout the year are invited to attend this annual event.

Volunteers contributed 2,145 hours in 2010. Volunteer hours have more than tripled in the last 5 years. This number doesn't even include the many

hours of service given by the Library's Board, Advisory Council, Wright Memorial Public Library Foundation Board and the Friends of Wright Library Board.

Many local authors and experts generously volunteered their time to present informative programs, including Amanda Ammer, Jim Crabtree, Dr. Maura Donahue, Dr. David

Darrow, Dan Edwards, Lori Firsdon, Maribeth Graham, Katrina Kittle, Owen Kubik, Dr. Alice Licata, Amy Malone, Dr. Kurt Mosser, Vick Mickunas, Angela Otis, Ruth Ann Peck, Mark Risley, Judge Walter H. Rice, Dr. Bill Schuerman, Dr. Musa Shteivi, Ann Smith, Debbie Stevens, Stephanie Telek and Barb Warner.

The Friends of Wright Library helped in many ways.

Special thanks to ***The Oakwood Rotary Club*** for making the Library's grounds beautiful by volunteering for a lawn clean-up in May.



Spring flowers "blooming" all over the library

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NEW IN 2010

Wright Library welcomed many new additions in 2010, including:

For better service to patrons & improved staff efficiency, the Library installed a new **Polaris Integrated Library System**, replacing a 20-year-old computer system.

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The Library began offering **Fast-View DVDs**.

An **Internet Express Computer** for patrons' convenience was added.

Young patrons received access to a "**Kid Computer**," loaded with educational software & learning games, thanks to a grant from the Oakwood Rotary Foundation.

At the end of the year, Dr. and Mrs. James P. Graham contributed a generous gift to the Library's Foundation, which will provide a second "Kid Computer" in 2011.

Patrons gained better facilities for hands-on computer training thanks to a grant of **five used laptop computers** from LexisNexis Cares.

A donation of a substantial amount of very nice used **office furniture** from the Centerville office of Right Management provided new **computer chairs** for patrons, **tables** for the meeting room & **desks** for staff.



Busy enjoying the NEW "Kid Computer"

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IN THE COMMUNITY

Library staff, along with Foundation & Friends members, participated in several community events and projects in 2010, including the **New Residents' Breakfast, That Day In May, Ice Cream Social, Scarecrow Row & 40 Developmental Assets**.

The Library's Board of Trustees met in a joint session with the Board of Education & Oakwood City

Council. The entire group toured the Library.

Wright Library partnered with other libraries, book stores & the *Dayton Daily News* on **The Big Read**, a community-wide reading project to read *Dreamers of the Day* by Mary Doria Russell.

Patrons benefited from the Library's partnerships with other organizations on special programs & exhibits: Oakwood Historical Society,

Sinclair Community College, Oakwood City Schools, Friends of Wright Library, Central State University, LCNB, Lincoln Society of Dayton, Oakwood Sister Cities & the University of Dayton Marian Library.

2010 BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Beverly K. Jones-Arthur, President

Lori Mitchell, Vice-President

Michael Roediger, Secretary

John Green

Alan Halpern

Pamela Menafee

Rick Smith



Registration for 2010 Summer Reading Club



Final preparations for 2010 Summer Reading Club Kick-Off Party



All smiles for the Mother/Daughter Tea Party

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SO MUCH TO OFFER



Celebrating St. Patty's Day at Preschool Story Time

Patrons use Wright Library for many valuable services, including:

Programs that teach **early literacy skills** to preschoolers & train caregivers to help children learn.

Programs for school-age children and teens.

Family programs, including adaptive programs for families with children who have special needs.

Reference librarians to answer questions & help with research in the Library.

Personalized help with selecting reading & research materials.

Full-text **computer resources** for research, homework & lifelong learning.

Interlibrary loans.

Classroom collections for teachers.

Summer Reading Clubs to prevent "summer learning loss".

Books, including large print for the visually impaired.

Magazines

Newspapers

DVDs

eBooks

Music CDs

Books on CD

Downloadable audio books & eBooks.

Free high-speed Internet access, making access to online information, including government resources, available to all citizens.

Programs for adults on building computer & job-hunting skills.

Computers with word-processing & spreadsheet software.

Meeting Room for community use.

Delivery to homebound Oakwood residents.

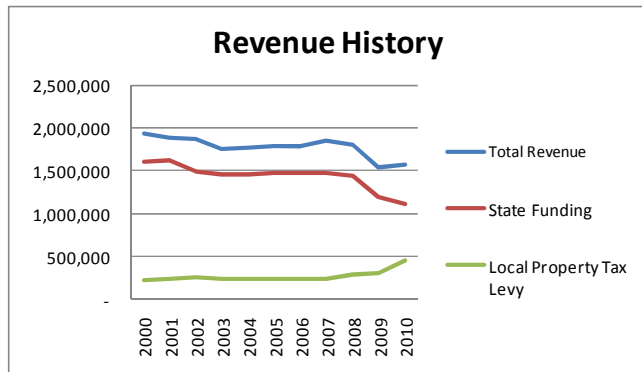
Voter registration.

Wireless Internet access.

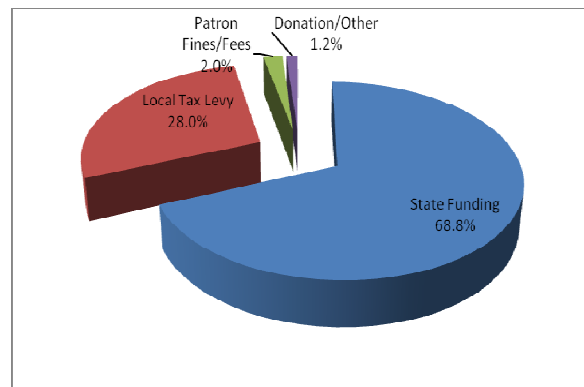
BY THE NUMBERS

Library Funding History

Ohio's state support for public libraries continues to be a concern. In 2010, state support for libraries dropped to 1996 levels.



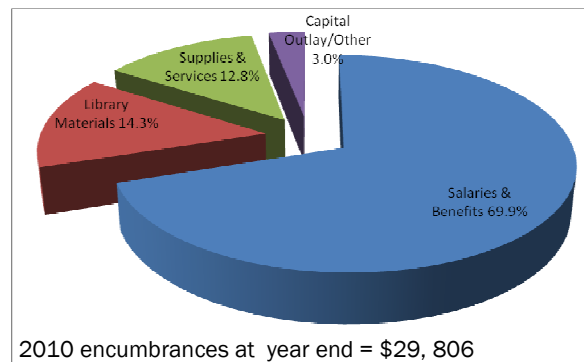
2010 Wright Library Revenues \$1,622,046



Wright Library Statistics for 2010

Items circulated:	391,258
Patrons in Library:	157,817
Visits to Library Web site:	112,961
Questions answered by reference librarians:	27,904
Uses of online research databases:	7,915
Items borrowed on interlibrary loan:	2,746
Library programs presented:	392
Program attendance:	7,607
Meetings held in Library Meeting Room:	219
Library cards issued:	1,311
Internet computer sessions:	12,395

2010 Wright Library Expenditures \$1,513,062



2010 encumbrances at year end = \$29, 806