

# Lied Public Library 2015 Annual Report



*Building Our Community*

**The Lied Public Library  
is a department of  
the City of Clarinda.**



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Thank you for allowing me to present this annual report on behalf of the Lied Public Library Board of Trustees.

Determining value is a difficult task. For some value means low prices, free shipping or an extra incentive. For others value is a more heartfelt concept that is harder to define and quantify. To me value elicits feelings of inspiration, collaboration, innovation and transformation. Given this, the Lied Public Library is extremely valuable to our community.

The Lied Public Library Board of Trustees, staff, Friends of the Library, and volunteers strive to make sure that everyone feels this value and respect as they interact with the library. Making connections with those in our community and fostering those connections between others is an unquantifiable value seen everyday at the library.

Although this report provides a great deal of quantifiable numbers and statistics, it only tells part of the story on how the library is “Building Our Community.” To truly understand the impact the library has. We invite you to attend a program, visit with your neighbors or spend an afternoon at the library.

In an average week during 2015, the Lied Public Library...

- Welcomed 919 visitors
- Circulated over 1,554 items (nearly 259 per day)
- Answered over 42 questions
- Provided computer/wireless use to nearly 329 customers
- Added 68 items to the Library’s collection
- Issued 7 new borrower’s cards
- Received 909 hits on the Library’s website
- Processed 20 requests from customers and libraries for interlibrary loan materials

Please study the following information to see how we serve you and our community. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the library. Thank you for your time, attention and continued support of the Lied Public Library.

I welcome your comments and recommendations.

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# Statistics 2015

|  |        |
|--|--------|
| Total Circulation <i>*includes digital items</i> | 80,786 |
| Volunteer Hours                                  | 893    |
| Reference Questions Answered                     | 2,231  |
| Computer Use                                     | 17,155 |
| Number of Attendance at Programs Held            | 8,252  |
| Number of People who Visited the Library         | 47,781 |

|   | 2014   | 2015   |
|---|--------|--------|
| Total Circulation                       | 85,174 | 80,786 |
| Books/Magazines/Audio Books Circulation | 53,867 | 53,026 |
| eBook / eAudioBook Circulation          | 3,655  | 4,312  |
| Other Digital Items / Databases         | 7,083  | 6,087  |
| Video Circulation                       | 16,898 | 17,361 |
| Items Added                             | 3,671  | 3,567  |
| Visitors                                | 47,749 | 47,781 |

## Library Staff

Andrew Hoppmann  
*Director*

Marissa Gruber  
*Youth Services*

Lynn Whitmore  
*Circulation Librarian*

Karol Dudley  
*Library Assistant*

Joni Hickman  
*Library Assistant*

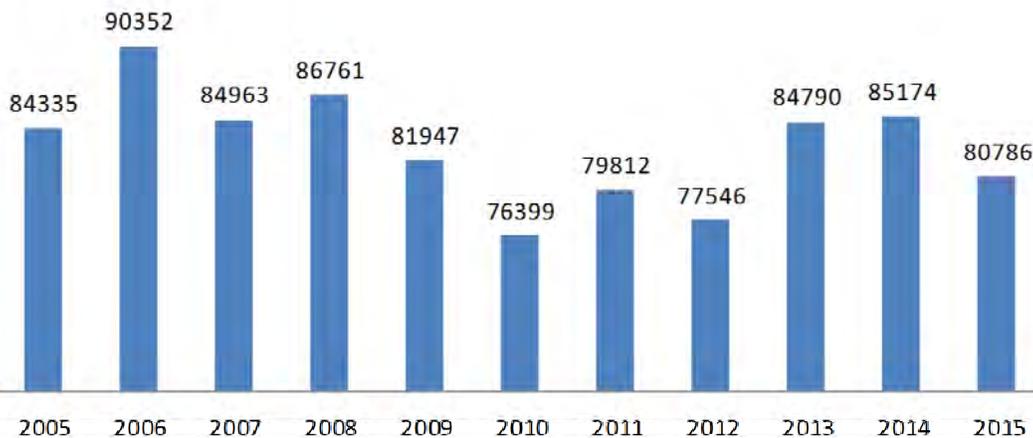
Brittany McClarnon  
*Library Assistant*

Emily Wagoner  
*Library Assistant*

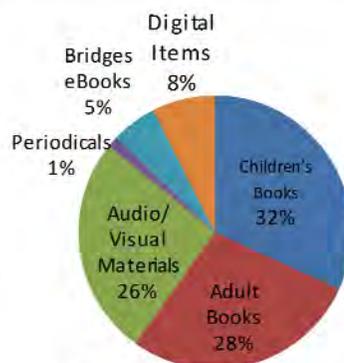
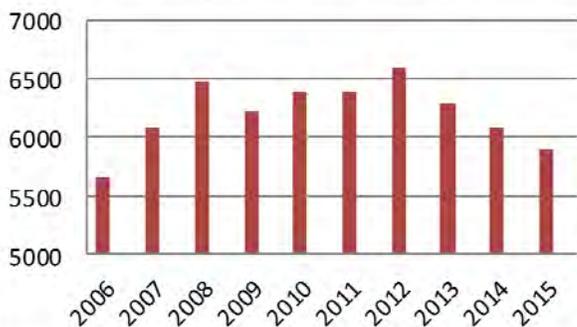
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Lauren Tunncliff  
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## Material Circulation



## Registered Borrowers



Circulation by Type

## Library Board of Trustees

Robert Briggs, President

Ruth Falk, Vice President

Allie Wellhausen, Secretary

Tasha Cole

Pam Herzberg

Paul Jones

Evelyn Rank

Beth Rarick

Phil Tornholm

# Highlights of 2015

**January:** A special program was hosted with author Lauraine Snelling via Skype. Lauraine is the award-winning author of more than 80 books with sales of over 2 million copies. The library also hosted a Legislative Briefing and Page County Public Health provided free blood pressure screening.

**February:** The library expanded its free digital magazine service, Zinio, by adding more titles and partnering with other area libraries. Users now have access to over 150 titles with their library card. The annual magazine giveaway was held on the 9th which helped make room for the next year's magazines.



**March:** The library held a Strategy Game Night which challenged participants to the game Settlers of Catan. A Blind Date with a Book was also hosted which allowed users to choose a mystery book to take home on a date. They then got to rate their date and out of those that participated, the library selected two winners to receive a box of chocolates. A special Quilt Trunk show was held which had over 50 people attend. Library Director Andrew Hoppmann attended a meeting in Des Moines with local legislators to talk about libraries and their role in Iowa.



**April:** National Library Week took place between April 13-20. The library celebrated by handing out free replacement cards, hosting a special volunteer recognition event, waiving fines for patrons and holding a drawing for the Golden Library Card; a special card that enables the bearer to have their fines waived for life! The library also hosted Bill Jamerson who presented a program on the Civilian Conservation Corps (CCC) called Dollar-A-Day Boys.



**May:** Thanks to a grant from the Page County Community Foundation the library was able to install a Self-Check user station, wireless public printer and new technology in the large study room. A traveling exhibit on the History of the Book was also displayed.



**June:** The library kicked off another summer full of programs with Gary Weldon who gave a puppet show for all ages. Special guests this month included: Clarinda Police Chief Keith Brothers, Science Center of Iowa, Yoga with Jessica Hoppmann, Life Net Air Medical Services, Council Bluffs Recycling Center, Superhero Science, ISU Extension, Omaha Henry Doorly Zoo and Blank Park Zoo. Janet Neihart came as well and gave a program on their travels and touring company.



**July:** The library continued its summer library programs throughout the month. A visit from Nancy Madema, Iowa Library Services Program Director, to learn more about the library. Library staff and trustees enjoyed a staff picnic.

**August:** The Friends of the Library held their semi-annual used book sale. Runza held their annual “Great Books for Great Kids” fundraiser in which a percentage of their daily sales were donated to the library.



**September:** After the summer break the library began offering computer classes again with a new class on Windows 10. The library started back into its regular school year programming with weekly Story Hours and monthly Book Babies programs. A one man show on the life and work of Harry Houdini presented by actor Duffy Hudson.

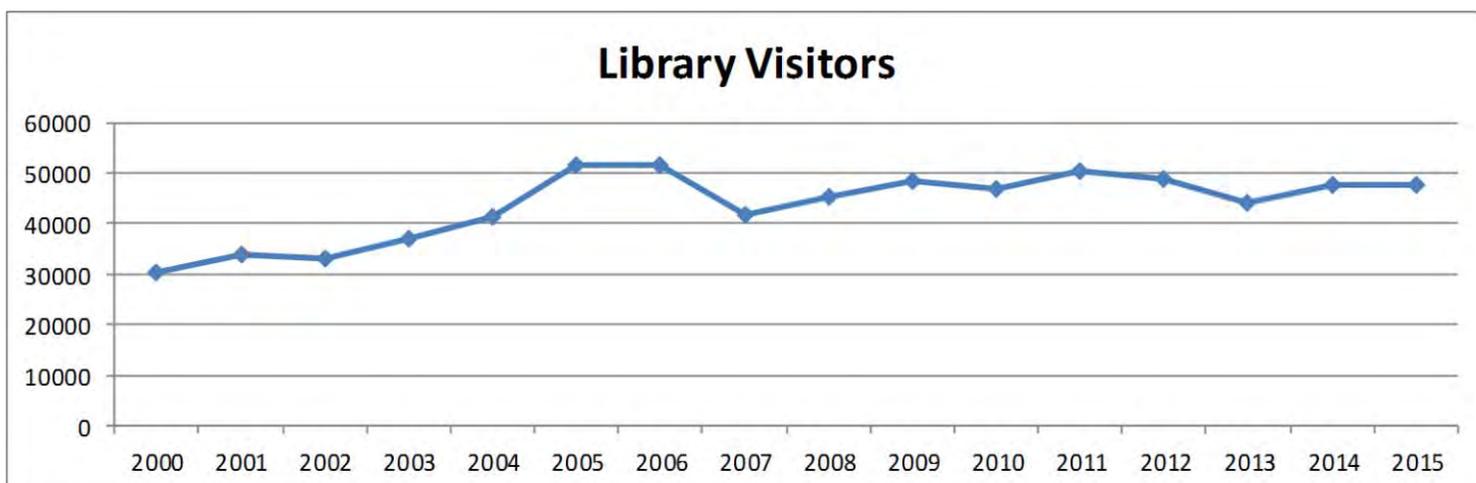


**October:** The library started a Minecraft program for those in grades 6th and up to explore the Minecraft world. The musical group County Gospel Reunion, a Shenandoah based gospel group, comprised of brothers Bill and Rick Sons, gave a great concert. Another concert was hosted with Jerry Barlow who played Celtic Fingerstyle Guitar, sang songs from the British Isles and entertained us with fascinating and funny stories. The Library’s annual Fall Festival which drew over 500 people to the library for crafts, games and a bubble show performed by Omaha Children’s Museum.

**November:** Debbie Pope from Iowa State University’s Extension Office came to Story Hour and talked with the children about science. Once again the Friends of the Library beautifully decorates the library for the holidays.



**December :** The library hosted its annual holiday concert with a selection of holiday music performed by the Bells of Joy Handbell Choir of Bethesda Lutheran Church. Library Director Andrew Hoppmann and Personal Fitness Trainer Jessica Hoppmann gave a great program on wearable and healthy technology. The library also received a visit from Congressman David Young (Iowa’s 3rd District) who got his own library card and toured the library.





2015 Adult Summer Library Program Winners

Pat McAndrews  
Kathy Beam



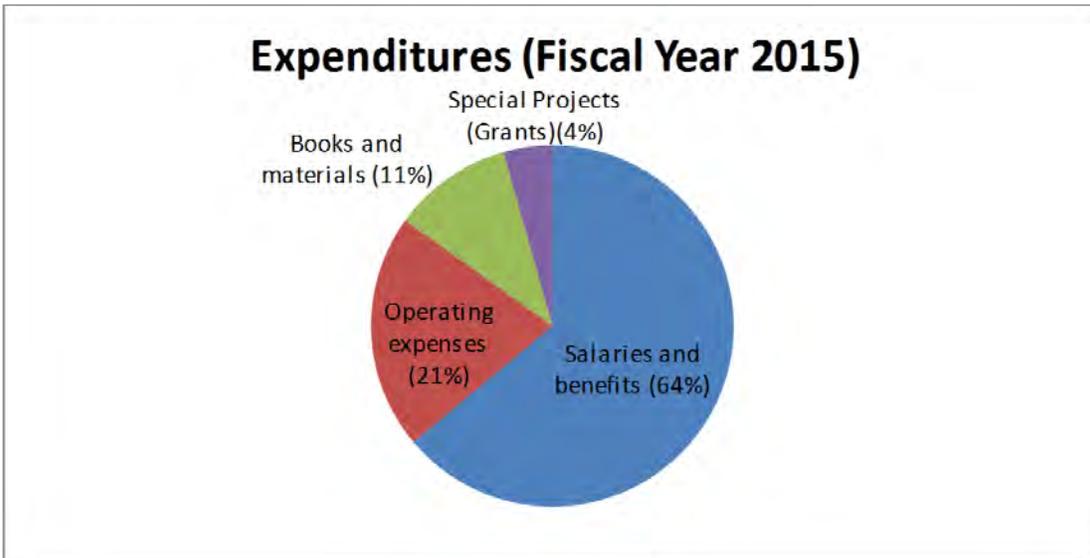
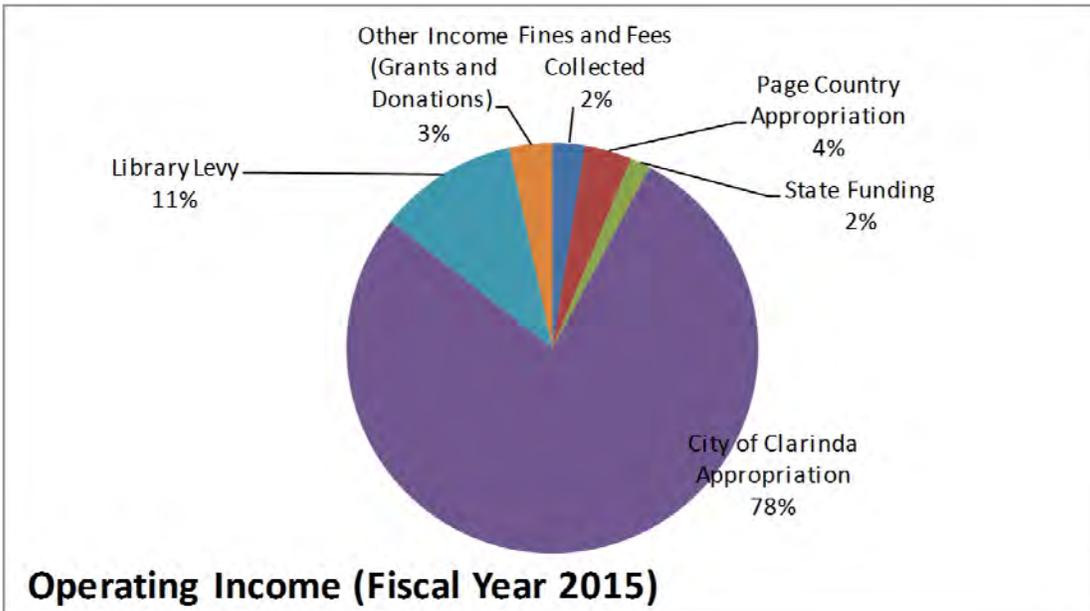
## Revenues and Expenditures (Fiscal Year 2015)

### Revenues

|  |                  |
|--|------------------|
| Fines and Fees Collected (3%)            | \$7,480          |
| Page Country Appropriation (4%)          | \$11,000         |
| State Funding (1%)                       | \$4,715          |
| City of Clarinda Appropriation (78%)     | \$229,976        |
| Library Levy (11%)                       | \$32,507         |
| Other Income (Grants and Donations) (3%) | \$9,957          |
| <b>Total</b>                             | <b>\$295,637</b> |

### Expenditures

|  |                  |
|--|------------------|
| Salaries and benefits (64%)                  | \$188,910        |
| Operating expenses (21%)                     | \$62,194         |
| Books and materials (11%)                    | \$31,661         |
| Special Projects (Grants and Donations) (4%) | \$12,871         |
| <b>Total</b>                                 | <b>\$295,636</b> |



**Did you know...**

The library offers various databases which can be accessed 24/7 on our website.

[www.clarindapubliclibrary.org](http://www.clarindapubliclibrary.org)



WILBOR is now BRIDGES! Log into the statewide online collection of e-books and e-audio books.

<http://bridges.lib.overdrive.com>



## 2015 Memorials

Sharon Andrews  
Mary Brummett  
Pat Casset  
Edna Daugherty  
Billie Jean Eastwood  
Norma Frey  
Dorothea Grant  
Dale Hanson  
In Honor of Andrew &  
Jessica Hoppmann  
Donald Hoppmann  
Ruth Wells Hunter  
In Honor of Mille Jensen  
Thomas McAndrews  
Malaki Mildward  
Maxine Nelson  
Letha Otte  
John Payne  
Karen Runyon  
Elizabeth Thompson  
Golda Thompson  
Myron Tritsch

### Library Foundation

Janet Olenius  
Ruth Falk  
Marlene Paulson  
Tasha Cole  
Allie Wellhausen  
Dale McAllister

### Friends of the Library

Kathy Hansen and  
Liz Robinson, co-Presidents  
Sandra Bramble, Treasurer  
Mary Jo Combs, Secretary

**“THE ONLY THING  
THAT YOU  
ABSOLUTELY HAVE  
TO KNOW, IS THE  
LOCATION OF THE  
LIBRARY.”**

**-ALBERT EINSTEIN**

## Other Library Support (2015)

|                                    |                    |
|------------------------------------|--------------------|
| Friends Of the Lied Public Library | \$2,401.60         |
| Lied Public Library Foundation     | \$13,193.09        |
| <b>Total Support:</b>              | <b>\$15,594.69</b> |

## Lied Public Library Foundation Financial Report

(As of 12/31/15)

### Funds

|                    |                     |
|--------------------|---------------------|
| Cash               | \$42,216.05         |
| Investments        | \$96,129.14         |
| <b>Total Funds</b> | <b>\$138,345.19</b> |

## Friends of the Lied Public Library (2015)

|                  |            |
|------------------|------------|
| Book Sale Income | \$3,074.94 |
|------------------|------------|

## Library Endowment (As of 12/31/15)

### Funds

|  |                     |
|--|---------------------|
| Endowed Fund (includes Opitz & Buckley Trusts) | \$250,000.00        |
| Quasi-endowed                                  | \$35,222.47         |
| Projects Fund                                  | \$43,969.01         |
| <b>Total Funds</b>                             | <b>\$329,191.48</b> |

## ***The Mission of the Lied Public Library***

The Clarinda community will have access to innovative library services delivered in an efficient and effective manner that will:

- Foster young readers through early literacy
- Provide access to current digital resources
- Provide a comfortable and welcoming space