

**Eastpointe Memorial Library**

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***Annual Report :***  
***Fiscal Year 2006/2007***

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Prepared for the Library Commission  
for submission to  
the Mayor and City Council

by Carol Sterling, Library Director

***READING...***  
***...IT BECOMES YOU***

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### **Library Commission**

- Mary Glassco, Chairman
- Denise Giordano, Vice-Chairman
- Margaret Torp, Secretary
- David Wendt (through December 2006)
- David Michalski
- Suzanne Pixley, City Council Representative

### **Library Staff**

- Carol Sterling, Director
- Patricia Price, Assistant Director
- Suzanne Todd, Youth Services Librarian
- Tabea Duggins
- Amy McGee

### **Part-Time Reference Staff**

- David Lamb
- Evelyn Millstein
- Elizabeth Nahat
- Glen Sowles (Through August 18, 2006)
- Michelle Neuwirth (beginning September 5, 2006 through January 27, 2007)
- Julianne Novetsky, Student Assistant (through December 13, 2006 – became Circulation Aide)
- Kathryn Dowgiewicz, Student Assistant (beginning December 4, 2006)
- Stacy Rottiers (beginning December 14, 2006 through February 23, 2007)

### **Part-Time Circulation Aides**

- Laura Clements
- Suzanne Convery
- Breanne Loffredi
- Shawna Poterek
- Julianne Novetsky (beginning December 14, 2006, had been Student Assistant)

### **Part-Time Pages**

- Raphael Moore (through July 22, 2006)
  - Samantha Sadler (through July 29, 2006)
  - Melody Cary (through May 11, 2007)
  - Cathy Sossi (beginning July 26, 2006)
  - Emily Brush (beginning November 20, 2006)
  - Ilyssa Gray
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## **Workshops/Continuing Education**

Sirsi Automated System Strategic Planning and Technology Long Range Planning Meetings  
(Suburban Library Cooperative)  
Carol Sterling, Patricia Price, Amy McGee

Pentamant accounting system training (City of Eastpointe)  
Carol Sterling, Amy McGee, Patricia Price

LSTA (Library Services Technology) Grant Workshop (Library of Michigan)  
Sue Todd

Literature and the Child (Library of Michigan)  
Sue Todd

MLA (Michigan Library Association) Conference- Detroit- (Michigan Library Association)  
Carol Sterling, Sue Todd

Black Belt Librarians: Three Mental Aces to Keep Up your Sleeve for Security Situations  
(Suburban Library Cooperative)  
Patricia Price

Copyright Workshop – Baldwin Public Library, Birmingham, MI  
Sue Todd

MelCat Training (Library of Michigan) Roseville  
Carol Sterling, Patricia Price, Amy McGee, Eddie Duggins

Spring Institute (Michigan Library Association) Frankenmuth  
Sue Todd

MelCat Training (Library of Michigan)  
Patricia Price, Amy MCGee, Eddie Duggins

Expecting the Unexpected -Disaster Workshop  
(Suburban Library Cooperative) Troy  
Patricia Price

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## Library Holdings

	June 30, 2005	Added	Withdrawn	June 30, 2006
Adult Non-fiction	25,962	1,707	482	27,187
Adult Fiction	14,156	1,092	1,688	13,560
Juvenile Non-fiction	11,726	436	706	11,456
Juvenile Fiction	10,859	1,151	1,710	10,300
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>62,703</b>	<b>4,386</b>	<b>4,586</b>	<b>62,503</b>

Audios (Adult)	1,078	0	144	934
Audios (Juvenile)	151	0	2	149
Compact Discs (Adult)	1,746	212	70	1,888
Compact Discs (Juvenile)	179	0	6	173
Kits	241	0	8	233
Videos (Adult)	1,637	41	82	1,596
Videos (Juvenile)	440	36	12	464
Digital Videodiscs	523	159	17	665
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>5,995</b>	<b>448</b>	<b>341</b>	<b>6,102</b>

### Miscellaneous:

• Periodical Titles	124
• Newspapers	8
• Art Prints/Sculpture	66
• Uncataloged Paperbacks	1152

### Circulation Statistics:

Adult Non-fiction	29,137
Adult Fiction	24,750
Juvenile Non-fiction	9,430
Juvenile Fiction	31,652
Paperbacks	1,100
Magazines	3,501
Audiocassettes (Adult)	3,245
Kits (Juvenile)	656
Compact Discs (Adult)	9,509
Compact Discs (Juvenile)	719
Videocassettes (Adult)	3,926
Videocassettes (Juvenile)	3,263
Digital Videodiscs	8,359
To Other Libraries	16,429
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>145,683</b>

### Interlibrary Loan:

	Loaned	Borrowed
SLC	16,429	21,493
OCLC	63	236

### Patron Visits:

114,302

### Reference Questions:

Adult	18,016
Juvenile	3,409
Phone	5,013
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>26,438</b>
Holds Placed	26,544
Holds Filled	22,186

### Registered Borrowers:

June 30, 2006	13,642
Added	1,539
Deleted	1,428
June 30, 2007	13,753

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## Programs/Community Room Use

### Children's

Storytime/Toddler Time/Family Storytime	719
Class Visits	
To Library	779
To Schools	100
2006 Summer Reading Club	
Members	109
Party Attendance-Finale	37
Books Read	1221
Volunteer Meetings	60
Craft Day	51
Tonya Dalles-Storyteller	34
Officer Hill and Tico	42
Volunteer Party	10
Pet Parade	67
Animal Skits	47
Estimation Stations	750
Bookmark Contest	531
National Children's Book Week Raffle`	229
Book Chat (2)	10
Thanksgiving Storytime	10
Santa's Visit	129
Rosco	72
Car & Truck Party (2)	19
Pizza & Pages	122
Booked for Dessert	136
Doll Tea Party	26
Teen Book Club (6)	29
Family Book Club	3
Teen Advisory Board Meetings (8)	56
Craft Programs (6)	109
Brownie Library Scavenger Hunt	19
Game Day	17
Manga (2)	19
Drawing Club	5
Creative Writing	4
2007 Summer Reading Club	
Volunteer meetings (3)	39
Steve Ziemans Magic Workshop	45
Craft Day	33
Classic Movie Nights (8)	101

### General

Children's Computer Center	1,003	hours
Internet Public Access Center	4,041.25	hours
Everyone's Reading-Book Discussion-Arc of justice	6	
MSU Extension Housing	8	meetings
City/Cooperative/Other	39	meetings
Live Homework Help	818	
Adult Literacy	17	hours

### Friends Programs

Book/Video Sale	900
Friends Meetings	11
Everyone's Reading Book Discussion	6

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## Friends of the Library

- Membership: 671 members
- Fund-Raisers:
  - Book/Audio Visual Sale (Sep 28-30) \$1,935.00
  - Entertainment Books \$120.00
  - Ongoing Sales \$1,514.81
  - DVD Rentals \$5,846.20
  - Memorial Garden Donations \$141.00
  - Membership Dues \$1,765.00
  - MISD Grant \$1,000.00
  - \$12,322.01**
  
- Gifts to the Library
  - Pamphlet/Flyer Rack Foyer \$262.32
  - SRC Entertainment \$528.45
  - Children's Bookmark Gift Certificates \$80.00
  - Children's Christmas Program \$90.00
  - Childcraft: felt board, costumes, rug \$1,005.35
  - Plant Care \$780.00
  - Aquarium Maintenance \$1,700.95
  - DVDs \$3,408.19
  - DVD Cleaner/Repair \$4,445.00
  - \$12,300.26**
  
- Officers: Elected March 10, 2007
  - President: Mary Glassco
  - Vice-President: Amanda Olesky
  - Treasurer: Phyllis Kirouac
  - Membership Secretary: Mary Glassco
  - Secretary: Patricia Price
  - Trustee: Phyllis Kirouac
  - Trustee: Barbara Dome

## Library Revenue

- Book Fines/Miscellaneous \$18,971.25
  - Non-Resident Fees \$400.00
  - Copier Revenue \$2,588.80
  - Penal Fines \$45,771.21
  - State Aid \$25,875.78
  - Gift Monies \$635.00
  - Great Parents – Great Start Grant \$1,000.00
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## **Building Improvements/Equipment Purchases**

Building improvements in the 2006/2007 fiscal year consisted of continuing the weeding of the library's collection. Last year a study was done in order to anticipate shelving space necessary for growing collections and areas that could be downsized or rearranged to better address patron needs. Last fiscal year the adult non-fiction area was rearranged.

This year it was found that more shelving was necessary in the AV area and for the Large Print collections. New shelving and cabinets were purchased for music CDs and Large Print books, both very popular collections that continually circulate. New shelving was purchased for children's videos in the AV room, to allow more space for the growing DVD collection and books on CD.

The Friends of the Eastpointe Memorial Library purchased a new flyer/brochure rack for the foyer and a Disc Cleaner/Repair machine. The Disc machine is used to keep the Library's DVD and CD collections in good condition. The Friends also offer disc cleaning and repair to the public for a small fee, to raise money and to help individuals keep their private collections in excellent shape.

Overall, improvements this year have continued to enhance the collection and streamline the work process.

## **Friends of the Library Continue Their Support**

During Fiscal Year 2006/2007, the Friends of the Eastpointe Memorial Library continued to work to obtain funding. They again sold Entertainment Books, receiving a commission of \$5.00 for each book sold. Ongoing used book sales continue throughout the year.

The Friends of the Library provide funding for monthly plant care and maintenance of the aquarium. The Friends have continued to sponsor all the excellent programming for Summer Reading. In addition, Friends purchased the gift certificates to Border's Books awarded to the children whose bookmarks were chosen as winners in the Bookmark Contest.

The Friends of the Library support a DVD rental collection. The group pays for approximately ten new titles per month. Rental is \$2.00 for two days, or \$1.00 for two days for Friends members. Friends retain the rental fees to continue to update the collection. The collection has become so popular, that Friends membership has increased to over 600. Membership is as little as \$5.00/year.

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## **Everyone's Reading 2007**

The book chosen for the 2007 "EVERYONE'S READING" program, which ran from January 15 – April 26, 2007 throughout the Metro Area, was "Arc of justice" by Kevin Boyle. The book relates the true story of Dr. Ossian Sweet of Detroit in 1925. A man was killed while Dr. Sweet was defending his home and family from an angry mob trying to evict his family. The murder charges against Sweet, his wife, and their defenders attracted Clarence Darrow as defense attorney and the recently formed NAACP, which was in the midst of a campaign against racial restrictions in housing.

A book discussion group led by Ms. Helen Fick was held April 19, 2007 at 6:30 p.m. Six participants enjoyed coffee, cookies and a lively discussion of the Ossian Sweet trial and the general history of Detroit in the Jazz Age.

## **PAWS, CLAWS, SCALES AND TALES**

The 2006 Summer Reading Club, "Paw, Claws, Scales and Tales" had 91 members at its close in August. Preschoolers-grade 2 participated in "Animal Kingdom Bingo", grade 3-5 programs were in the K-9 Club", while middle school students joined the "Creature Feature".

During June and July, members were entertained at the "Game Days" and "Craft Day" programs. Young people were also enthralled and entertained by Tonya Dallas, Storyteller. There was a Pet Parade. Staff members of Eastpointe Paws & Claws Store assisted in judging the unique qualities of some pets (winners included hairiest, most unusual, slimmest, smallest, fattest, etc.) and helped hand out certificates. Because he was ineligible for any special prize, the Master of Ceremonies for the Pet Parade was "Bingo", the Director's daughter's dog.

There were animal skits performed by volunteers from area High Schools. Eastpointe Police Officer Richard Hill and Tico demonstrated the unique talents of a police dog. The Summer Reading Club closed with an Ice Cream Social Finale.

## **Grants received/Miscellaneous Donations**

The Friends of the Eastpointe Memorial Library received a \$1,000.00 grant from the Great Parents-Great Start program to purchase pre-school books and other pre-school related items for the Youth Services Department.

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