

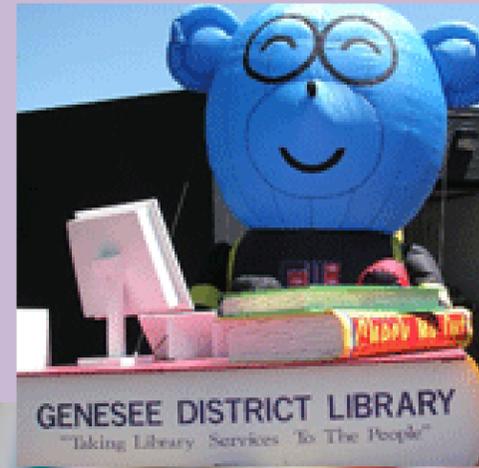


The Genesee District Libraries

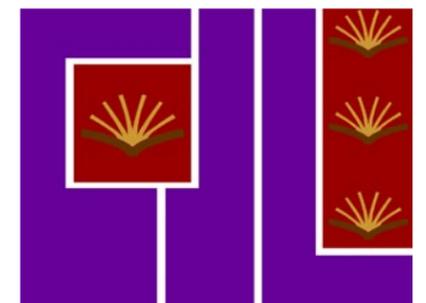
| Library | Address | Phone Number | Hours | Building Owner* |
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| Baker Park | G-3410 S. Grand Traverse Burton 48529 | 810-742-7860 | M-Tu, Th 12-8; W 10-6; F-Sa 9-5 | City of Burton |
| Burton Memorial | G-4012 E. Atherton Rd Burton, 48519 | 810-742-0674 | M-Th 9-9; F-Sa 9-5 | City of Burton |
| Clio Area | G-2080 W. Vienna Rd. Clio 48420 | 810-686-7130 | M-Th 9-9; F-Sa 9-5; Su 12-6 | City of Clio, Vienna Twp. and Thetford Twp. |
| Davison Area | 203 E. Fourth St. Davison 48423 | 810-653-2022 | M-Th 9-9; F-Sa 9-5; Su 12-6 | City of Davison, Davison Twp. and Richfield Twp |
| Fenton Winegarden | 200 E. Caroline St. Fenton, 48430 | 810-629-7612 Children's Center: 714-0917 | M-Th 9-9; F-Sa 9-5; Su 12-6 | City of Fenton |
| Flint Township McCarty | 2071 S. Graham Rd. Flint 48532 | 810-732-9150 | M, W 10-6; Tu, Th 12-8; F-Sa 9-5 | Flint Township |
| Flushing Area | 120 N. Maple St. Flushing 48433 | 810-659-9755 | M-Th 9-9; F-Sa 9-5 | City of Flushing and Flushing Twp. |
| Forest Township | 123 W. Main St. Otisville 48463 | 810-631-6330 | M-Th 12-6; F-Sa 9-5 | Forest Township |
| Gaines Station | 103 Walker Gaines 48436 | 989-271-8720 | M-Th 12-6; F closed; Sa 9-5 | Village of Gaines |
| Genesee Township | 7397 N. Genesee Rd. Genesee 48437 | 810-640-1410 | M-Th 9-9; F-S 9-5 | Genesee Twp. |
| Genesee Valley Center | 3293 S. Linden Rd. Flint 48507 | 810-732-1822 | M-Sa 10-9; Su 12-6 | Genesee District Library |
| Goodrich | 10237 Hegel Rd. Goodrich 48438 | 810-636-2489 | M-W 12-8; Th 10-6; F-Sa 9-5 | Village of Goodrich and Atlas Township |
| Grand Blanc McFarlen | 515 Perry Rd., Grand Blanc 48439 | 810-694-5310 | M-Th 9-9; F-Sa 9-5; Su 12-6 | City of Grand Blanc and Grand Blanc Township |
| Headquarters | 4195 W. Pasadena Ave., Flint 48504 | 810-732-0110 | M-Th 9-9; F-Sa 9-5; Su 12-6 | Genesee County |
| Linden | 201 N. Main, Linden 48451 | 810-735-7700 | M,W-Th 12-8; Tu, F, Sa 9-5 | City of Linden |
| Montrose Jennings | 241 Feher St., Montrose 48457 | 810-639-6388 | M, W 10-6; T, Th 12-8; F-Sa 9-5 | City of Montrose, Montrose Twp., and School District |
| Mt. Morris | 685 Van Buren, Mt. Morris 48458 | 810-686-6120 | M-Th 9-9; F-Sa 9-5 | City of Mt. Morris |
| Swartz Creek Perkins | 8095 Civic Dr., Swartz Creek 48473 | 810-635-3900 | M-W 12-8; Th-Sa 9-5 | City of Swartz Creek, Clayton Township, Gaines Township, and Mundy Township |
| Vera B. Rison | 1386 W. Coldwater Rd., Flint 48505 | 810-789-2800 | M, W, F, Sa 9-5; T, Th 12-8 | Beecher Community Schools |

*Contributed facilities by building owners. GDL occupies certain premises, which are located in government owned buildings, without charge or at a nominal charge of \$1. The estimated fair rental value of the premises is reported as support and the corresponding expenses are shown in the period in which the premises are used. GDL does not actually own or control the locations. GDL furnishes services and personnel for these various locations.

GENESEE DISTRICT LIBRARY



2007 Annual Report





Mission Statement

Our mission is to offer innovative ways to make the library and its services accessible to our diverse communities.

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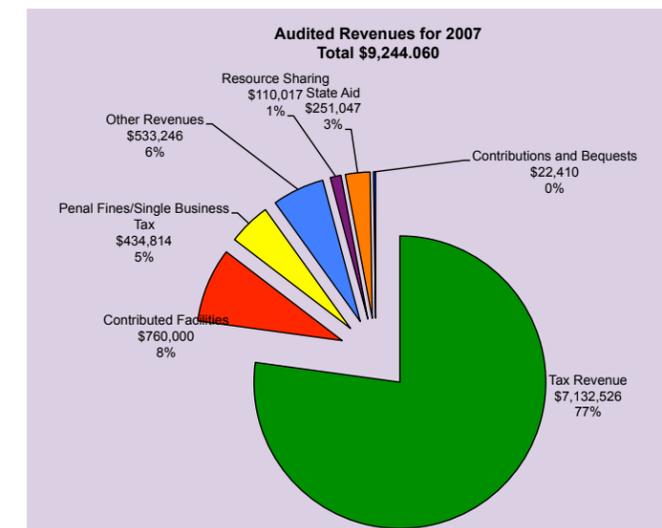
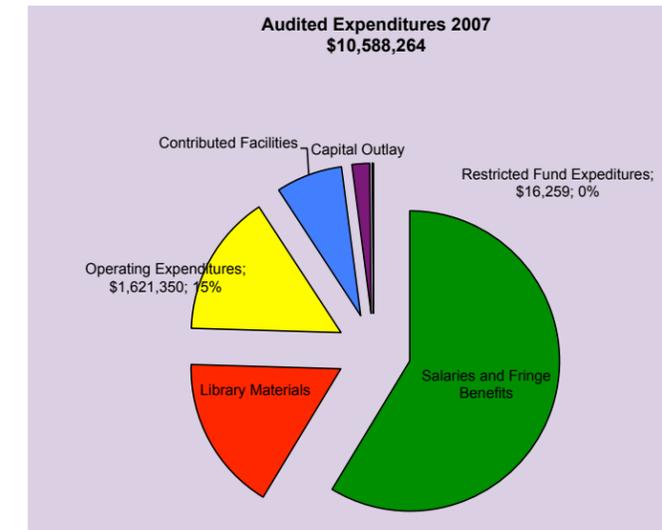
The Millage Renewal Election

The Millage Renewal Election for support of Genesee District Library was held on May 8, 2007. The proposal was passed by a vote of 19,186 yes's to 8,239 no's. The millage assesses property tax in Genesee County outside the City of Flint at .7481 for ten years.

We at GDL are very pleased with the overwhelming support of our constituents and that we can continue operating the library with the same millage as the previous ten years. We pledge to continue to offer the same excellent service to our patrons as GDL continues to grow.



2007 Expenditures & Revenues



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| Salaries and Fringe Benefits | \$6,213,341 |
| Library Materials | \$1,776,237 |
| Operating Expenditures | \$1,621,350 |
| Contributed Facilities | \$760,000 |
| Capital Outlay | \$201,077 |
| Restricted Fund Expenditures | \$16,259 |
| TOTAL | \$10,588,264 |

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| Tax Revenue | \$7,132,526 |
| Contributed Facilities | \$760,000 |
| Penal Fines/Single Business Tax | \$434,814 |
| Other Revenues | \$533,246 |
| Resource Sharing | \$110,017 |
| State Aid | \$251,047 |
| Contributions and Bequests | \$22,410 |
| TOTAL | \$9,244,060 |



Technology

- All 19 branches had wireless Internet access by the end of the year.
- LCD monitors in most branches highlight GDL's upcoming events and programs.
- Policies for Internet and computer use were updated and approved by the Board of Trustees. Both are online.
- WinWay Resume Builder was added to all public access computers. A patron can create a resume automatically by just filling in information when prompted.

Human Resources

Staff Development Day

Genesee District Library closed on October 15 so that the entire staff could get together all at once. Staff members were given awards. Tammy Velliquette (Montrose Jennings Library Branch Librarian) and Darwin McGwire (Clio Area Library Branch Librarian) were given the Richard Handwerker and Kay Hill Customer Service Awards. This award is very special because the awardees are nominated by their peers. Excellent speakers talking about safety, customer service, and stress management.

5 employees were added to the system in newly created professional and paraprofessional positions.

2007 Numbers

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| 2,433,940 items checked out |
| 154,211 cardholders |
| 760,790 items on Genesee District Library shelves for our patrons |
| 109,293 items added to the collection during the year |
| 1370 magazine and newspaper subscriptions |
| 955 programs with an attendance of 26,967 |
| 2,462,942 number of logins on public computers |
| 202 public access computers |
| 34 certified librarians on staff |
| 48% Cardholders as a percentage of the population |
| 767 people attended computer classes |



Events & Service Additions in 2007

Vera B. Rison Library Opening

The nineteenth GDL branch located in the Beecher area re-opened on February 10. The grand opening was held on March 4.

Black History Month Awards Brunch was held on February 24 with Susan L. Taylor of Essence Magazine as the keynote speaker. Four people were honored for their service to the community. They were Judge Archie L. Hayman, Pastor Larry A. Holley, Chief Theresa A. Stephens-Lock, and Dr. Lillie McCain. Over 400 people attended.

Big Bag of Books Service. This service for Genesee County book discussion groups really took off in 2007. There are now 31 bags that have a dozen copies of an outstanding discussion book. An information packet is included about the book and author, as well as questions to get the talking started. The bags are checked out for six weeks.

Ecommerce was installed allowing credit card payments for library fees and donations online.

During **National Library Week in April, amnesty was given to any patron** who returned overdue or lost items no questions asked. A total of \$9,723.00 in fees was waived.

The Volunteer Appreciation Evening was held in conjunction with author Matthew Bogdonos's visit. The volunteers enjoyed a private reception with him prior to his talk to the public.

Several members of the **GDL staff took part in a "commercial" for television.** They talked about how they felt about providing library service to Genesee County residents. It is now shown on the LCD monitors in the libraries.

Genesee District Library was **proud to participate in most Genesee County festival parades** throughout the summer. The Book Mouse float with a 10 foot blue inflatable mouse is always a big hit.

Downloadable videos and Playaways (mp3 players loaded with a book that can be checked out) were added to the assortment of media available for our patrons.

Security cameras were installed in all 19 libraries.

Emergency procedures were written and approved. They are in each library in a flip chart format that can be quickly and easily accessed.

Homebound Service was incorporated into the Talking Book Center (Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped). Homebound Service provides books by mail to patrons who are not able to visit a library. The Talking Book Center provides recordings to those who are blind, have a visual impairment, or cannot handle a physical book.

The Talking Book Center hosted a Vendor Fair for its patrons on May 11. Representatives from businesses and organizations that serve the visually impaired and blind came to talk about and demonstrate their products and services.



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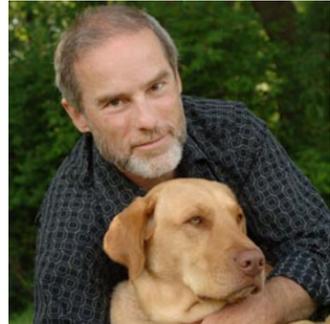
Black History Month Awards Brunch



The Book Mouse Float



Meet The Authors



Author John Grogan & Marley

These GDL sponsored events continued to grow in both attendance and popularity of the authors. In 2007, they met these wonderful people.

- Susan B. Taylor, Editorial Director of Essence Magazine, February 24
- Nancy Lindley, premier Michigan rose grower and author of *Roses for Michigan*, March 11
- Matthew Bogdanos, author of *Thieves of Baghdad*, April 13
- John Grogan, author of *Marley and Me*, April 22
- Sandra Brown, the popular author of many bestselling mysteries and romances, June 20
- Julee Rosso, co-author of *The Silver Palate*, November 8
- An Author Fair was held at the Genesee Valley Center on December 1 giving local authors an opportunity to let the public know about their works

Sunday Concerts



Sherm Mitchell

The concerts continued through 2007 at the Grand Blanc McFarlen Library. The Michigan musicians played to full houses on those afternoons when we could all slow down and just enjoy some of the best in the state.

- Brazil and Beyond, January 21
- Mr. Majestic, February 25
- Jeremy Kittel Jazz Band, March 4
- Mr. B: Mark Lincoln Braun, April 29
- Tumbao Bravo, September 23
- Sherm Mitchell Orchestra, October 7

Other Programs for Adults

- Identity Theft Awareness programs from the Michigan Attorney General's Office
- Popular local Personal Chef Jodi Wollitz
- Resume and Interviewing Classes
- AAA Driving Program for Seniors
- Heirloom Discovery Days
- Learning and Earning: Starting a Successful Investment Club
- Computer classes on many topics were taught by GDL's Trainer in the branches



Teens' and Children's Programs & Services

TeenFusion continued to grow. The circulation of teen fiction grew almost 20% in 2007. Programs for teens were popular. The Henna Tattoo and Design programs were attended by mothers and daughters. The Ann Arbor Children's Science Museum brought their Crime Lab: CSI Workshop program to GDL libraries throughout the summer. Duct tape Creations was a popular program, also. The first Wii Video game tournaments were held in the fall. There were programs for drama and storytelling as in standup for the age group.

Childrens Services: Paleontology, geology, zoology, and art were topics of programs for young people in 2007. There was entertainment with magicians, puppets, and storytelling. Experts on the recreational skills of yo-yo and hackey sack presented programs. There were theater and craft programs. Curious George visited with hundreds of pre-schoolers at several branches. Heritage programming included making egg rolls, henna tattoo and design, and remarkable programs with African tales and musical instruments.

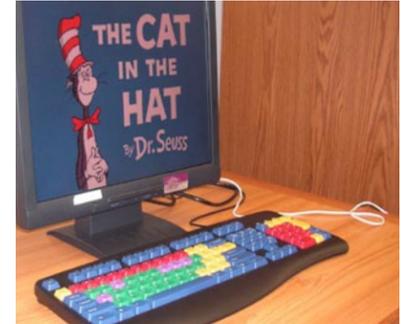
The Summer Reading Club had a 20% increase in members with 4,099 children registering to become members. The end of the summer celebration at Crossroads Village brought out 2,166 children and their families.

Uncle Harry's Express. This popular annual event took place on November 17. More than seven hundred children and adults visited Crossroads Village for a train ride, magic show, and a hot dog lunch.

Visits to Genesee County Schools were made by our Children's Librarians and branch librarians. Many more classes visited our libraries.

Tumblebook Library was added to the research databases for children. There are many stories and informational databases available for children 24/7 from anywhere.

The Kid's Computers were replaced and updated. Several branches that didn't have them before are now able to offer these fun, educational computer games and programs to children from 2 to 8 years. They have colorful keyboards, outstanding animation, kid-sized mouse, and sound. They are not connected to the Internet.



A Kid's Computer



Geologist Charles Barker