



Oak Harbor Public Library

Meeting the needs of our community

Greetings!

As 2017 begins, the Library would like to take the opportunity to look back fondly on 2016. We enjoyed our year here. Thanks to our generous supporters, we were able to expand our operations. The Library continues to offer classes, programs, and storytime. This year's Summer Reading Program was exciting. Thanks to the presenters, participating kids, and the parents who made sure their kids could attend. The tween and teen program continues to grow, and the adult programs are also expanding.

The Library hosted many presenters this year. Some of the more exciting adult programs included history talks, the Truth about the Amish, UFOs, Organizational Skills, and Railroad Crossing Safety. Some fun programs were the card-making class, adult coloring, relaxation techniques and essential oils therapies. Thirteen adult patrons completed their 100 book challenge this year.

Seven young readers complete the 1000 Books Before Kindergarten with over 9200 books were read. What an accomplishment!

The Library has purchased three hot spots to lend out. This has been a well-received addition to our library. Anyone with a valid Oak Harbor library card can now take the internet with them.

The Library congratulates all our readers.

2016 Highlights

The highlight of the library year has to be the Summer Reading Program. The theme was "Ready, Get Set, Read!" Once the program was announced, parents and kids lined up to register.

The Halloween program was also lots of fun. And "Tea With Miss Brenda" thrilled a lot of young readers and their parents



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Congratulations to our *1000 Books Before Kindergarten* finishers!



Kinsley and Blake



Carter



Nina and Elsie



Delia



Thanks to the estate of Billie Rae Zorn Day, the Library was able to landscape the library yard. Two beautiful benches were purchased in her memory. All signature bricks were cleaned and retouched and the sidewalks were repaired. Judge Wargowski also honored the Library in his estate. Display cases were purchased in his memory. These cabinets are used for showcasing local history items.

The Library also digitized the Ottawa County Exponent newspaper, previously only available on microfilm. These papers go back to 1897 until the last issue which was October 16, 2015. Half of the project was funded through a grant from the Ottawa County Community Foundation. The digital version is accessible online at www.oakharborpl.advantage-preservation.com



Building Projects

The ceiling and light fixtures in the staff room were replaced

Kids Rock Our World



Pull out a camera and the kids go wild.