

2017 Annual Report



A vital centre to collaborate, connect and explore the world in which we live.

● messages

When we look back on 2017 there are a lot of 'C' words that come to mind; **C**anada, **C**reativity, **C**ollaboration, **C**ommunity, and **C**omputers ring the loudest. As Board Chair and CEO/Chief Librarian, we are lucky to be supported by Board members, staff and dedicated volunteers, who share great ideas, connect with the community and strive to create programs, collections and services that meet, and often exceed, the needs of users of all ages.

The Library's vision is to be *a vital centre to collaborate, connect and explore the world in which we live* and with this statement in mind we were excited to launch Chromebooks, hotspots, and Seasonal Affective Disorder (SAD) lamps to help your spirits and make your days brighter. We conducted programs outside the Library at parks, restaurants and other community spaces. We refined services based on your needs and feedback.

A definite highlight of 2017 was the Canada 150 celebrations that allowed us to truly *touch our past* and preserve it in special edition library cards, participate in Town events, journey through walking tours, and offer fun and interesting programs for all ages.

We look forward to 2018 and *embracing our future* and can't wait to connect you, tinker with technologies, share stories, and pop up all over.



Sue Dixon, Chair



Deb Duce, CEO/Chief Librarian



● at a glance

Visitors to the Library & Annex

160,305



Website Visits

104,286



Total Items Borrowed

168,021



Items in the Collection

62,189



WiFi Sessions

20,888



Public Computer Use

24,816

Downloads (OverDrive & Hoopla)

26,412



Programs &
Outreach
For Adults
& Kids

667



New Card Holders

1,018



Renovations &
Improvements



Canada 150 Infrastructure Grant
Friends Multipurpose Room

Raised Garden & Landscaping

Replacement of HVAC

June 12 to August 17

Kids



Read **4059** Books

Teens



Read **278** Books

Adults



Read **447** Books



finances

Expenditures

SW&B: \$617,337

Operations: \$153,059

Collections: \$128,034

Capital: \$194,771

Total: \$1,093,202

Revenue

Province: \$42,958

Municipal: \$947,313

Fines & Fees: \$47,832

Donations: \$31,367

Other: \$23,732

Total: \$1,093,202

Library Funding as Proportion of Town Budget

Town, Local Boards & Shared Services: 92.6%

Library: 7.4%

Income Tax Clinics

421 Returns Completed by dedicated volunteers

● highlights



#Readfor15Muskoka

Thanks Mayor Aitchison



How-To-In-10

Learning, sharing & having fun.



Seedy Saturday

Sow, grow, plant, and sustain.



Volunteer Thank You

Smiles, treats & thanks to our volunteers who help in so many ways.



March Break Fun

Having fun while blowing off a little STEAM (science, tech, engineering, art, and math).



TD Summer Reading Club Launch in River Mill Park

Fun, treats, music, face painting & stories with Miss Canada, Ciara Thompson.

Celebrations of Artists in the Community

Art in an Hour - local artists and community members creating art in an hour that was displayed for the summer.

Art in the Library partnership with the Huntsville Art Society and displays of schools

HPL Author Events - Books & Bunch

- July 9th Jennifer Robson & Kate Hilton at 3 Guys & a Stove
- Sept. 23rd Amy Stuart & Andrew Pyper at Hidden Valley Resort

'Under One Skin' show by Kate Brown



Technology Fun for All

Youth Tech Extravaganza - annual celebration

Robotics Fair in Gravenhurst - our 2nd time

Technology on the Run

- HPL taking technology to every library in the District of Muskoka.

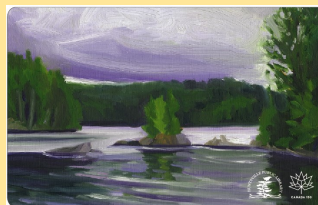
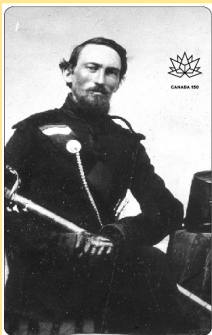
Hotspots & Chromebooks to sign out & online courses - all with your HPL card.

New Gadgets & Gizmos

- Vinyl cutter, ozobots, dot & dash

Library *FIRST* Lego Robotics Team

Canada 150 Library Cards



truly touching the past

Canada 150 Quilt

Community led program with Mary Spring and Teri Howell. HPL shared the Annex for 3 days of quilt making. One quilt has found a home at the library.



March Break Fun

Muskoka Heritage Place shared costumes & historical images for Canada 150 Green Screen Fun.



Library Historical Walking Tours

A walking tour to visit the library locations throughout the lifetime of HPL. Including a stop at our first site.



The Library Board would like to thank those who generously made donations and showed their support for the Huntsville Public Library. We would also like to thank these groups and businesses for their support of library programs, collections, facilities and initiatives.

3 Guys And A Stove	Mary Spring
Anne MacDonald	Muskoka Family Focus - Huntsville
Applause Toy Store	Nutty Chocolatier
Art in an Hour Participants	Patricia Axbage
Belly Ice Cream	Paul Sass & Community Income Tax Program Volunteers
Colour Cavalcade	Reel Alternatives
Community Living Huntsville	Reflections of Muskoka
Friends of the Library	Rotary Club of Huntsville
Hands The Family Help Network.ca	Rotary Club of Huntsville / Lake of Bays
Helena Renwick & the BIA	Royal Canadian Legion Huntsville Branch 232
Hidden Valley Resort	Ryan O'Connor
HPL Author Events - Jennifer Robson, Kate Hilton, Amy Stuart & Andrew Pyper	Saturday Afternoons
Huntsville Art Society	Soapstone
Huntsville Community Living	Seven Main Café
Huntsville Denture Clinic	TD Bank
Huntsville Fire Department	Teen Advisory Group
Huntsville Horticultural Society	Teen LEGO Builders Club Volunteers
Huntsville/Lake of Bays Chamber of Commerce	Teri Howell
Jane Stuart	Town of Huntsville
Kate Brown	Two Horse Gallery
Kath Roberts	Wendi Barker & Shady
Keith North Peigan	Whimsical Bakery
Kimberly-Clark Inc.	YMCA Simcoe/Muskoka

●thank you



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