Report to the Orem City Council November 2015

Library Advisory Commission

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- Ben Beeson, Chair
- Courtney Burns, Vice Chair
- Kenneth Bonney
- Gloria Cronin
- James Jones
- Terri Potts Smith
- Suzanne Stratton

- Tom Macdonald, City Council Representative

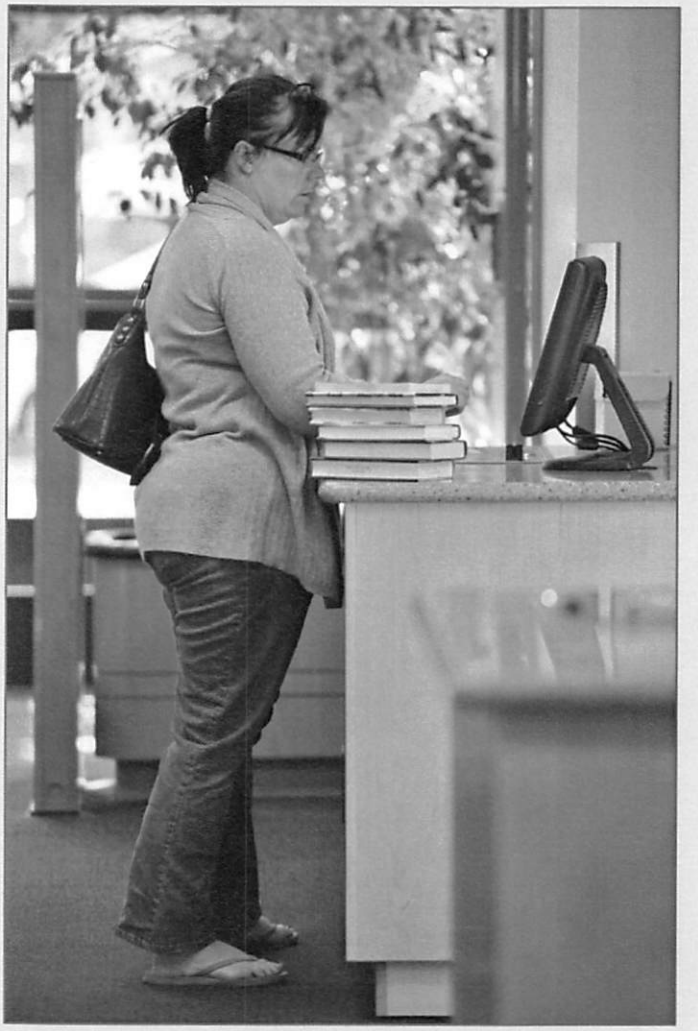
Orem Values Our Library

The Orem Public Library received high marks in a September 2015 survey of residents.

54% - Very Satisfied
25% - Satisfied
8% – Neutral
1% - Dissatisfied
1% - Highly Dissatisfied
11% - Not Applicable (our Outreach efforts continue!)

Circulation continues to be very strong with patrons taking home **over 1 million** items each year.

- 1,144,763 items were checked out in Fiscal Year 14-15



New Carpet

- This year 20 year-old carpet was replaced on all three floors of the Children's Library. Patrons have loved this fresh new look.

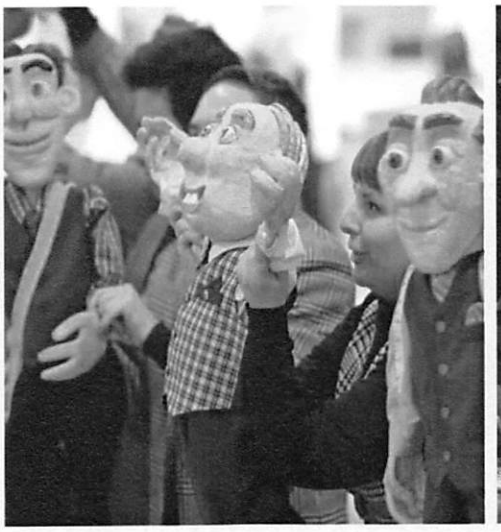
- Thank you for this investment in our building!

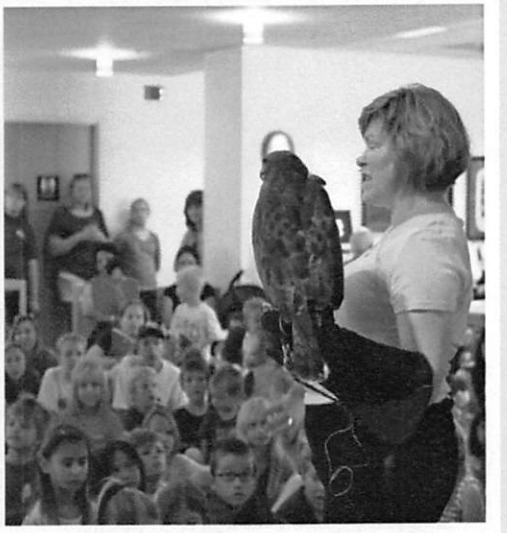
New ILS

- The Orem Public Library is in the process of updating its Integrated Library System or ILS.
- The ILS connects patrons to the Library's 366,500 items, allowing them to browse, learn, hold, and check out.
- The updated ILS will help patrons search and access thousands of subjects, formats, and titles. It will also benefit the overall management of essential Library functions such as: acquisition, cataloging, circulation, etc.
- The Library will be closed on Monday, November 30, for IT improvements in preparation for the new ILS. We plan to "go live" with the new system in early 2016.

Programs at OPL

- Weekly Storytime and Laptime for Children
- Summer Reading for children and teens
- Concerts featuring all types of music
- Plays and puppets
- Author visits and readings
- Community Presentations and Discussion
- Film screenings
- Unique events and opportunities



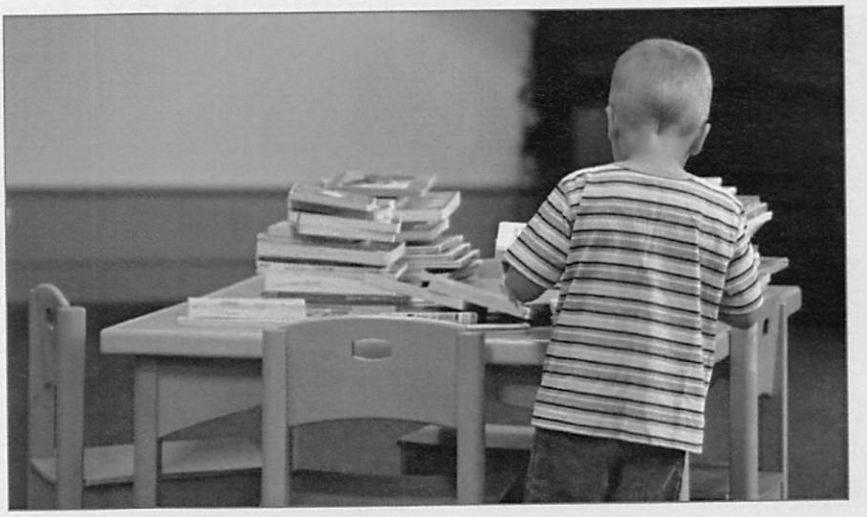


Program Attendance in Fiscal Year 2014-2015

60,257

1,000 Books Before Kindergarten

- Exciting new program focusing on early childhood literacy.
- Parents and children are committing to read together.



Community Support

- We appreciate community volunteers and donations. Thousands of dollars worth of items and thousands of hours are contributed by Orem residents each year.

- The Orem Public Library is an anchor in our community because of the ongoing support of our residents and patrons from other cities.

- We are proud to be Orem's library, a gathering place for individuals and families.

Thank You!

Thank you to the Orem City Council and the residents of Orem for their continued support of the Orem Public Library.