Annual Report of the
Donnellson Public Library

July 1, 2016 – June 30, 2017

The Donnellson Public Library is open 45.5 hours per week, and has a total of 1,754 patrons registered. Of these, 697 are municipal residents, and 774 are from rural areas in Lee County. 34 are from Franklin, which supports the library through a tax option. We serve 95 patrons from Fort Madison, Keokuk, Montrose, and West Point through our open access agreement. The rest of the registered patrons are from Van Buren County, or outside of Lee County.

Circulation Statistics:	**2013-2014**	**2014-2015**	**2015-2016**	**2016-2017**
Total circulations for all Materials:	25,533	27,448	23,021	25,921
Adult non-fiction books	1,490	1,399	1,247	1,452
Adult fiction books	4,692	3,721	3,714	4,388
Large Print books	1,832	3,462	2,533	4,565
Juvenile non-fiction books	760	562	1,439	653
Juvenile fiction books	3,750	4,292	3,725	1,734
Young Adult Fiction	1,330	891	628	665
Magazines and periodicals	2,167	1,845	1,560	1,588
Reference	14	16	13	8
Audio Books	1,485	4,255	2,473	3,464
Videos & DVD's	5,547	5,180	4,727	4,969
Music CD's	352	139	18	195
Temporary items (includes not cataloged)	520	286	222	351
Other Items	1,594	1,400	467	868
E-books circulated	375	512	597	1,021
Patron Services:				
People entering the library	13,379	13,157	12,666	13,444
New Patrons registered	118	147	108	104
Interlibrary loans borrowed	270	254	254	381
Loans to other libraries	484	381	351	466
Reference questions asked	1,183	1,243	1,004	1,118
Reference questions answered	1,180	1,241	1,001	1,108
Telephone calls answered	2,404	2,109	1,876	2,034
Photocopies	7,229	7,065	4,878	7,453
Children's programs	74	92	65	59
Children in attendance	932	1,251	995	1,567
Programs for adults	24	48	48	51
Adults in attendance	353	204	206	642
Visitors to Genealogy	312	270	193	131
People using the Internet	2,649	2,964	2,163	3,180
Volunteer hours worked	2,444	3,550	1,876	2,325

Materials:	**Books**	**Video & DVD**	**Audio Books**	**Music CD's**	**Mags**
Withdrawn	1,163	150	127	5	1602
Added	1,133	105	96	4	956

Total Items in our library collection: 22,904
(There are also 9,548 downloadable
Audio books from WILBOR, and 16,227 e-books in the shared collection)

In June of 2012, the Donnellson Library joined the WILBOR consortium so that our patrons could download electronic books, or audio books to their various portable devices. The consortium owns downloadable audio books, and e-books. We have had about 85 circulations per month among our patrons for this service.

The Donnellson Library offers free programs for children throughout the year. Our preschool Story Hour takes place each Tuesday, at 10:00. In the summer, we offer an 8-week reading program geared toward school-aged kids, 6-12. During the school year, we offer arts and crafts activities on early-out days. We are adding a Toddler Time program for kids 1 ½-3 during the coming year.

We offer two programs for adults at the library, the Donnellson Book Core (a book club,) and the Writer's Bloc. These programs meet once each month. The Writer's Bloc is facilitated entirely by volunteers, and is a group for aspiring authors and illustrators. The Donnellson Book Core has a volunteer secretary, and the library orders the books for the group. We intend to add more programming for adults now that we will have a designated room for this in the new library.

The Donnellson Library has a lively group of regular volunteers who help in the Genealogy Department, and with book covering, kids' programs, etc. We have also had extra volunteer hours this year, consisting of those people volunteering on our fund-drive, and designing and maintaining a website for Richard Proenneke, and two Facebook pages.

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