

2008 Annual Report

Whitestone-Hagerman Memorial Public Library



MISSION STATEMENT

The Whitestone-Hagerman Memorial Public Library Board is dedicated to offering a full range of materials, programs and services that advance the personal growth, life-long learning and recreational interests of its community.

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It Takes A Library to Raise a Community



Une bibliothèque est requise pour hausser la communauté

Letter from the Chair

In 2008, the Library Board focused on Library staff and board training, policy development and the technological advancement of library services. These efforts are bringing the library closer to accreditation, which is a goal we hope to attain in the next few years.

The Library continues to gain momentum, with statistics rising in 2008. We now proudly serve over 600 active members, plus many more computer users stopping by to reconnect with home or work.

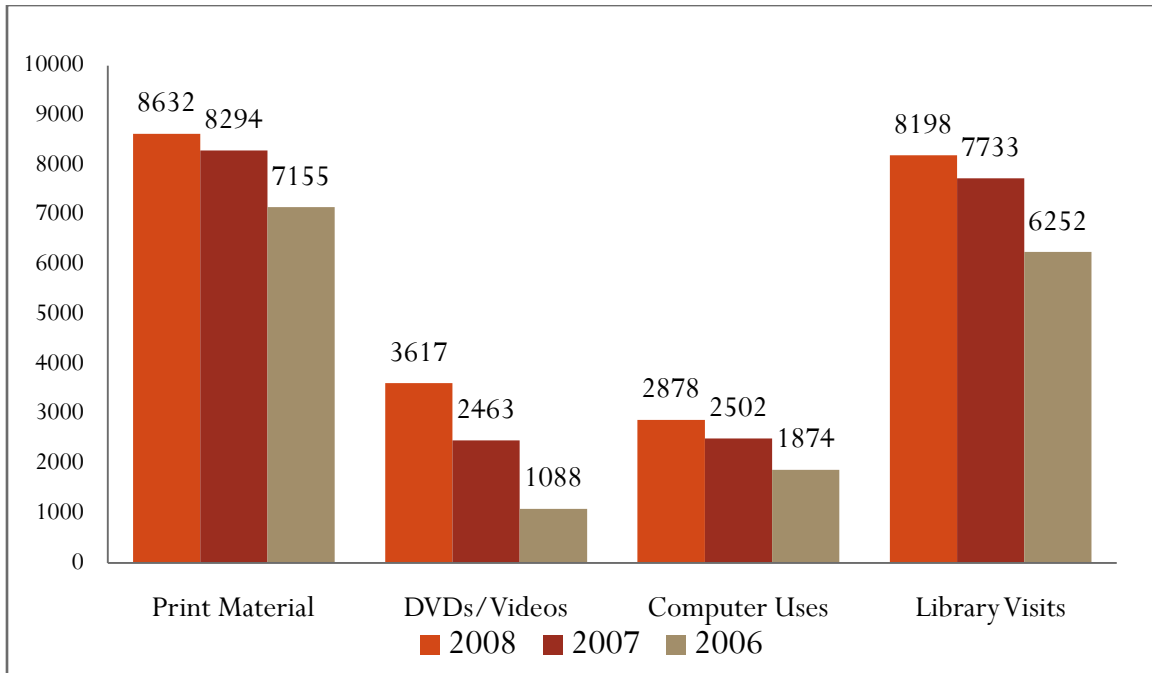
On behalf of the Library Board and Staff, we would like to express our thanks for the continued support from Staff and Council of the Municipality of Whitestone, along with the Provincial and Federal Governments of Ontario.

Ruth Brounley

Library Board Chair

In 2008 we were the proud recipients of the “Excellence in Service to Children and Youth” award at the OLSN Annual Conference.

Library Growth Chart



More Statistics

Municipality of Whitestone Population: **1,030** Census 2006

Library Program Attendees: **883**

Active Library Members: **615**

Our new wireless internet access has been a tremendous success. The service the library provides is no longer limited to the hours we operate. Free wireless internet access is available 7 days a week, 24 hours a day. Registration is quick and easy.



Some of the library programs and services offered this year were:

- TD Summer Reading Program
- 2nd Annual Fear Factor Event
- School Visiting Program
- Pedometer lending program
- 2nd Annual Seniors Day
- Read and Ride Contest
- Onsite Tutoring (in partnership with Whitestone Lake School)

A special thank you goes out to our many volunteers and donors.

Your generosity has a lasting and positive impact on not only the library, but on the entire community.



Some of the additional funding we secured this year ...

- Community Access Program (funded in part by Industry Canada)
- Summer Student Subsidy (Parry Sound Employment Services)
- JASI Automation Grant (FedNor, administered through Ontario Library Services North)
- Connectivity Funding (Ministry of Culture, administered by the Southern Ontario Library Service)
- Leadership Program (administered by Ontario Library Services North)

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