

Novi Public Library 2007 Year in Review

August 25, 2008

Objective

To share with City Council and Novi residents some of the Library's successes in the past year.



Public Service

- Novi Public Library is certified as a Class VI library, putting us in the same class with Farmington Community Library, West Bloomfield Public Library and Canton Public Library.
 - An average of 800 patrons visit the library daily, totaling 269,815 visits this year.
 - There were 55 days when over 1,000 visitors used the Library.
- Novi Public Library circulated more material than any of the other 56 public library members of its consortium
 - ▶ 580,438 items were circulated an increase of 6.5% from last year.
 - The library's international language collection expanded to include 17 languages other than English.
- The Board of Trustees hired a new director in November 2007
 - > The Board also has two very active student members.



Youth Services/Specialized Services

- I,491 youth, teen and adults participated in the Summer Reading Program – an increase of 14%
 - 75 teen volunteers assisted with registrations and other activities.
- Eleven teams of 5th and 6th grade Novi students participated in the fifth annual Battle of the Books
- Specialized Services (Homebound/Outreach)
 - 3,469 items were delivered to offsite Senior resident and assisted living locations. 52 programs were offered to our Senior Community with a total attendance of 1,029.



Communication

- Monthly E-newsletter started in May 2008 and is currently being sent to 173 people
 - E-newsletter sign-up is on the Library's home page.
- Library cable show, Beyond Books, first aired on Channel
 13 in August 2007
- Library Web site obtained a new online address: <u>www.novilibrary.org</u>



Facilities

- Novi residents overwhelmingly approved bond to build new library
 - New library is expected to open in early 2010.
- The Building Authority contracted with BEI Associates and Diamond & Schmitt Architects to build a new library of approximately 55,000 sq. ft – more than doubling the available service space
- Activities at the current building continued to grow
 - The library provided meeting space for more than 18,000 people.
 - Programs sponsored by the Library attracted 16,725 participants.



Year in Preview

- Launch the new web site on Monday, August 26, 2008.
 - The site includes new functionality and searching options, including online book clubs and RSS feeds for new materials.
- Macy's fundraiser September 20, 2008
- For \$5, Novi residents can purchase a 20% coupon for use on September 20 at any Macy's store.
- Coupons will be sold at the Library from now until September 20 and at Macy's on September 6
- All 100% of the proceeds from the coupon sales will be donated to the Library.
- Groundbreaking ceremony scheduled for Wednesday, November 12 at 9 AM
- Check the library Web site for more information closer to the event

