

King Township Public Library

Annual Report 2008



*Connecting residents to each other and their
neighbourhood, and to worlds of
imagination and discovery.*

Message from the Board Chair

The Library's emphasis this year was community heritage and communication.

We received wonderful support from the Ontario Ministry of Culture to develop a printed and internet legacy of Walter Rolling, one of King Township's early and influential educators. A special unveiling of the work was hosted with a few of the students who studied under Mr. Rolling in attendance. The former students gladly shared their warm memories of Mr. Rolling.

The Community Calendar, sponsored by the Library for several years, was nominated for the Ministry of Culture's 2008 Award for Innovation. Its implementation has been unique among users across Canada and the United States. We encourage community groups to post and edit events directly on the calendar and link it to their web site as their own page.

Your Library is a multi-faceted facility that is not only an information centre but a catalyst for connecting our community, past, present and future. Visit your local branch often to experience all the connections and services we can provide.

Gordon Craig

Library Board

Gordon Craig (Chair)

Councillor Jack Rupke

Virginia Atkins

Michael Schwartzkopf

Lt.-Comm. Robert Gwalchmai

Jim Streb

Sylvia Pal

Barry Wallace

Father William Plaus

The Year in Review

- The library was awarded an Ontario Trillium Foundation Grant to purchase some exciting new materials for our children's collections and interactive children's displays for each library.
- Two students were hired through the Canada Summer Jobs programme to help deliver the Summer Reading Club and other children's programmes.
- A summer student from Quebec , hired through the YMCA's Summer Work Exchange , assisted library staff while improving their spoken English.
- The library partnered with Arts Society King, Dufferin Marsh Committee, and Cold Creek Stewardship to present a number of films dealing with environmental themes.
- The Library was awarded a grant from Ontario's Ministry of Culture to create a web page dedicated to Walter Rolling, an early Black educator in King Township.
- The Library system produced its first annual brochure highlighting the many services it provides to residents.
- The Library's Online Community calendar was short-listed for the Ministry of Culture's 2008 Award for Innovation . Our thanks to the many community groups that use and support the calendar.



The Year in Review

- The Library partnered with the King Township Archives to hold *Growing Your Family Tree*, a genealogy workshop.
- The Library increased public access to local history material by digitizing two books by late King historian Elizabeth Gillham.
- Tim Horton's in Nobleton named their local library branch as beneficiary of their 2008 SmileCookie campaign . Their contribution allowed the library to purchase a new children's table for the branch.



- Technical enhancements were made to the library's web site allowing for more timely updating of information.
- A student was hired through Industry Canada, Community Access Programme to digitize newspapers and teach computer courses.
- Library staff participated in both the Schomberg Fair and Main Street Christmas events.



- A new 3 year Strategic Plan was created spanning the years 2008– 2011.
- The Library Board revised and strengthened its Internet and collection development policy.

2008 Financial Statement

REVENUES

Municipal Contribution:

Operating	\$1,045,183
Capital	\$15,187

Grants

Province of Ontario	\$29,146
Other	\$44,832

General Revenue	\$55,117
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Total Revenues **\$1,189,465**

EXPENDITURES

Salaries, Wages, and Benefits	\$850,783
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Materials & Equipment	\$152,769
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Building Maintenance & Utilities	\$66,694
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General Operating Expenses	\$132,423
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Capital Expenditures	\$3,500
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Total Expenditures **\$1,206,169**

Net Expenditures	(\$16,704)
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Fund Balance at Beginning of Year	\$25,795
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Fund Balance at End of Year	\$ 9,091
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2009 Fund Allocation: Retained Earnings **\$3,736**

Grant Reserves **\$5,355**

Audited Financial Statements Available on the Library's web site or by sending a request to the CEO/Chief Librarian.

Donations

The Leonard and Gabryela Osin Foundation

Nobleton Tim Horton's

The Library gratefully acknowledge the many friends that have made significant contributions of their time and financial resources.

Grants

Ministry of Culture

Library Strategic Development Fund

Industry Canada's Community Access Programme

Service Ontario

Canada Summer Works

Ontario Trillium Foundation

Canada Council for the Arts

YMCA –Student Exchange Grant

2008 Library Use Statistics

Patron Visits	129,719
Library Materials Borrowed	164,603
Questions Answered	15,288
In-library Internet Sessions	15,729
Web site Visits	71,610
Programme Attendance	6,212
Meeting Room Rentals	220

Plans for 2009

- Computer reservation software will be installed to allow patrons to reserve computers electronically ensuring equitable access to this high demand equipment.
- Walter Rolling Webpage official launch on February 20th at the King City Library. The web site will tell the remarkable story of Mr. Rolling and early black educator and community leader.
- Expansion of the Online Community Calendar to include a feature that allow meeting rooms to be booked online.
- Installation of debit card systems in Nobleton and Schomberg following a trial period at the King City Library.
- Replacement of the Library's staff and public computer stations in keeping with the library's technology plan.
- An inventory of all print collections across the system will be completed early in 2009.
- The distribution of a newly created Library Services booklet featuring photographs of library users.
- Expanding our line-up of children's programmes including a Teen Book Club, Toastmasters for Youth, children's performers and children's authors.
- A fundraising initiative to help support the installation of an elevator at King City.
- Library staff will be trained on customer service standards to comply with new provincial accessibility legislation.
- Installation of defibrillators units at each branch to assist during medical emergencies.



King City Library 1893

905-833-5101

Monday-Friday 10–8 p.m.

Saturday 10–5 p.m.

Sunday (Mid-Oct-Mid-May) 1–4 p.m.

905-859-4188

Monday 10–2 p.m.

Tuesday-Friday 2–8 p.m.

Saturday 10–5 p.m.

Sunday Closed



Nobleton Library 1968

905-939-2102

Monday 4–8 p.m.

Tuesday 2–8 p.m.

Wednesday 10–8 p.m.

Thursday, Friday 2–8 p.m.

Saturday 10–5 p.m.

Sunday (Mid-Oct-Mid-May 1–4 p.m.)



Schomberg Library 1930

905-775-8717

Tuesday (Sept-June) 9:30–4 p.m.

Tuesday & Thursday 7–9 p.m.

Friday Closed

Saturday 1–4:30 p.m.

Sunday Closed



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