



## 2005 Annual Report



### New NExpress System

After more than a year of preparation and a long day spent putting new barcodes on every book in the Library, we proudly launched the new NExpress Shared Automation System on June 20, 2005. By the end of the year, 1,839 people, or about 49% of the residents of Tonganoxie, were signed up for a new card and our circulation had increased almost 20%. In January, the Library began offering evening hours Monday to Thursday and we organized our first Adult Winter Reading Program, "It's a Mystery Why More Folks Don't Read History." Author, Historian and Kansas Humanities speaker Don Coldsmith wrapped up the eight-week program on March 12 with his "A Circle of History" presentation. Together with the Tonganoxie Recreation Commission, the Library offered monthly Teen Café events and pre-school craft times, as well as separate Summer Reading wrap-up pool parties for the kids and teens. The Library became the first wireless Hot Spot in town in September, thanks to Sunflower Broadband. By the end of the year, we were preparing to hire more staff to cope with increased traffic and increased circulation...and decided that we need to purchase an automated door counter to ensure that our numbers for 2006 are more accurate than 2005!

-Sharon Moreland  
Library Director

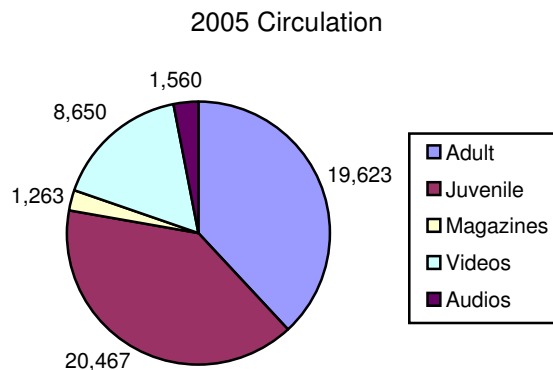
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### The Statistical Story

- 51,563 items circulated in 2005, an increase of 17.82% over 2004
- 3,884 new materials added to the collection, 13.5% more than 2004
- 2,025 new library cards issued
- 1,839 active library card users
- 30,724 library visitors
- 19,846 items in the collection
- 869 entertained at story time

### What this means

- Each customer would have checked out 28 library items this past year, 5 more per customer than last year.
- Every item could have been checked out 2.6 times in 2005.



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Hours:  
 Mon to Thursday 9 to 8  
 Friday 9 to 5  
 Saturday 9 to 1

Comments:

"The Library is awesome. The selection has improved considerably! And I love the adult book display in front. I've picked a lot of great books by the 'cover.' Thank you."

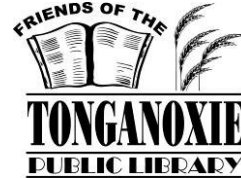
"The Library is the Bomb Diggity!"

"The Library has really changed recently! I'm glad you guys supply a decent young adult area. A lot of the books that are always out at school are books I can find here."

## A Friend Indeed...

The Friends of the Tonganoxie Public Library continued their tremendous support to the Library in 2005. Here's a brief look at the year:

The Friends were awarded a \$500 challenge grant from the Friends of Kansas Libraries to promote our group and recruit new members. New residents now receive a library card holder with this logo on it in their Welcome Bags and embroidered canvas book bags are on sale at the Library for \$15.

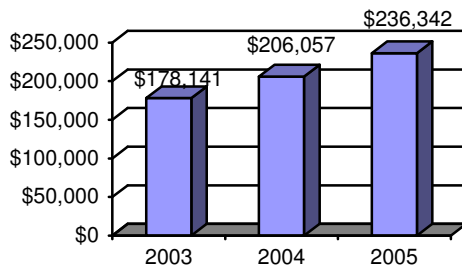


## The Financial Story

By extending the Library's hours to 8 p.m. four nights a week and adding four additional computers, we qualified for an annual development grant of \$18,000 from the Northeast Kansas Library System. We dedicated 18% of the budget to new materials and 46% for staff. Grants, donations and miscellaneous income accounted for 16% of our revenues. Carry over in the General Fund kept the Library operating during the first six weeks of 2005. Contracted services, such as accounting, computer maintenance and janitorial, comprised our fastest growing budget lines.

2005 Revenues		2005 Expenditures	
Grants	\$ 33,162	Labor	\$ 110,168
Donations	2,045	Operating	39,584
Misc.	10,024	Projects	9,923
Carry over	30,364	Contracts	14,410
Ad Valorum	168,211	Materials	43,257
Emp Ben	31,618	Cap Impr	19,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$275,424</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>\$236,342</b>

Total Expenditures, 2003-2005



June 11 – Tonganoxie Days Library Run. Despite thunder and heavy rains, runners from all over the region made their way to Tonganoxie to complete and help the Friends raise \$1,123.

October 29 – Halloween Party and Carnival. Members of the Friends, the Recreation Commission, Historical Society, Library, B&J Country Mart, FBLA and Girl Scouts troop 3393 worked together again to spook hundreds of children.

December 3 – Holiday Open House. The Holidays were celebrated with baked goods, carolers and "Reading Night" and "Game Night" themed gift baskets. Proceeds were donated to the Library, along with a \$2,000 grant from the Friends, to start a new music CD collection for the Library.

