



**JAMES  
KENNEDY**  
*Public Library*

# FY 14 Annual Report

July 1, 2013 to June 30, 2014

***JKPL is a Star Library!***



The JKPL received a 4 star rating in the \$200,000 to \$399,999 expenditure range category in *Library Journal's* "America's Star Libraries 2014: the LJ Index of Public Library Service" published this month. We are the only Iowa library to be ranked in this category and we are number 15 out of the more than 1,200 libraries in this expenditure category. Last year we were 17th so our national ranking has increased. This is the 7th year that *Library Journal* has released this index and the JKPL has been a star library all seven years. *Library Journal*, a national publication for libraries, publishes this index which compares libraries within an expenditure

range, based upon four measures of use per capita – visits, circulation, program attendance, and public Internet terminal use. The data for this index came from 2012 data released by the Institute of Museum and Library Services.

Submitted by:  
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November 2014

**MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT:**



Greetings,

Thank YOU to our faithful staff, volunteers, friends, patrons, and supporters. Without you, we wouldn't be a STAR library for seven -- yes, seven -- consecutive years! This is a national honor for not only the James Kennedy Public Library, but also for Dyersville. In the past year, we have received feedback from the community and Dubuque county that we are a preferred library due to the helpfulness of our staff and the breath of our collection (books, media, programs, and online resources). That is exactly what the Star award is all about. With your continued support Dyersville's James Kennedy Public Library will remain on the national map as a community rich in resources for all ages. Haven't stopped by for a while? Come on in and ask the staff for a book recommendation, how to download music, magazines and books or what's coming up for programs. This vast array of services saves the average patron \$750 per year -- books you can check out for free, movies you can attend for free and music and magazines you can download for free, not to mention all the other resources. We look forward to seeing you soon and many times over!



Lynn Osterhaus, President

**Assuming a value of \$5.00 per program, JKPL users SAVED \$50,175 while learning and playing at their library!**

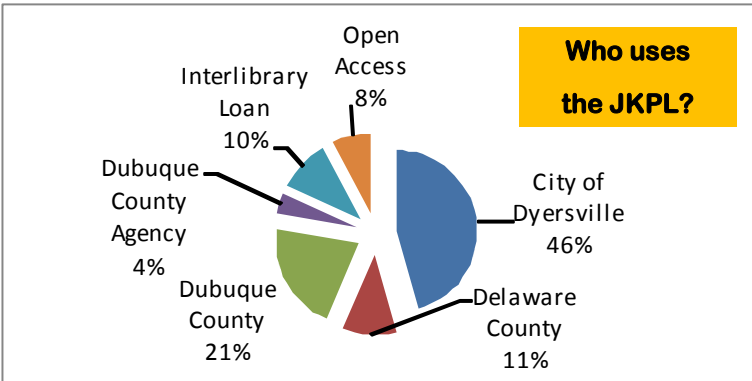
Audience	# of programs	Attendance
Children	281	4,613
Young Adults	63	447
Adults	336	4,975

The JKPL was one of 3 rural Iowa public libraries and one of 75 nationally that was selected to receive a \$2500 grant from the National Science Foundation to host this science based reading, viewing, and discussing series. Diane May, head of the Science Department at Beckman Catholic High School, served as the science scholar who lead and moderated discussions on eight books.

**10,035 people attended the 680 programs offered to children, adults and seniors!**

**Number of people entering the library**  
77,682

**Number of People with Library Cards**  
4,785

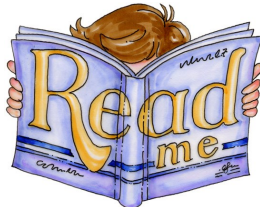


# Physical Items (print, audio, video, games, etc.) added to the Library Collection (purchased and donated)

4,862

## PRINT MATERIALS & SERVICES

- Books
- Magazines
- Large Print Materials
- Book Clubs & Discussions
- Author visits



*Physical Collection: 58,960 Print Books,  
231 Magazines & Newspapers*

## AUDIO MATERIALS

- Books in standard & MP3 CD
- Playaway
- Downloadable Audio
- Classes



*Physical Collection: 2,461 Audiobooks*

## Computer Use

3,961 Internet sessions

7,417 hours

12 classes offered

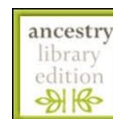


## COMPUTER SERVICES

- Public Access Computers with Internet
- Wifi
- Children's Computers
- Classes

## ELECTRONIC & DIGITAL SERVICES

- eBooks and downloadable audiobooks
- Zinio - electronic magazines
- Databases: Ebschost, NoveList, FirstSearch, Newsbank, Learning Express, G.O.L.D, & Ancestry Library Edition.
- Classes
- Website with online catalog
- Social Media: Facebook & Twitter



## Downloadable Materials

8,550 eBooks

9,001 downloadable audio

123 electronic magazine titles

## VIDEO SERVICES

- Feature Films
  - Television Series
  - Children's Films
  - How-tos, documentaries, and more
  - Movie Programs
- Collection available: 5,595 Movies & TV series on DVD or VHS*

## GAMING SERVICES

- Wii Console & Games
- Board Games
- Puzzles
- Puppets
- Gaming Programs and Tournaments



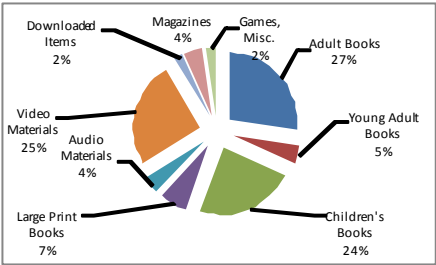
*Collection: 601 Wii & Xbox Games,  
Board Games, & other items*

## SPACE & EQUIPMENT

- Meeting & Study Rooms
- Community meeting space
- Gaming equipment
- Soft Seating
- Fireplace
- Projection system

Type of Material	# Checked Out
Adult Books	39,037
Young Adult Books	7,043
Children's Books	34,301
Large Print Books	9,717
Audio Materials	6,014
Video Materials	36,390
Downloaded Items	2,829
Magazines	6,102
Games, Misc.	3,491
<b>Total</b>	<b>144,924</b>

**Number of Items of all types checked out from the James Kennedy Public library**  
144,924



**Dollars SAVED by Dyersville Area residents by using the James Kennedy Public Library Collection:**  
**\$3.62 Million!**

**Operating Budget**

<b>Revenues:</b>	<b>2014</b>
Dyersville	328,800.00
Library Agency	9,618.00
State Funding	15,344.00
Fees (copier, printer, etc.)	4,916.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$358,678.00</b>
<b>Expenditures:</b>	
Wages & benefits	\$234,324.00
Building (utilities & contracts)	40,211.00
Supplies & marketing	12,243.00
Equipment & repairs	6,544.00
Programs	2,009.00
Books & materials	63,347.00
<b>TOTAL OPERATING BUDGET</b>	<b>\$358,678.00</b>
<b>CAPITAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>\$23,558.00</b>

**The "average" person checked out 30 items. Based on an estimated value of \$25.00 per item, each library user saved \$750.00**

**128 Volunteers shared their time and talent at the library for 3,780 hours. THANK YOU!**

**Friends of the Library sponsored over \$5,000.00 worth of special library services and programs. THANK YOU!**

**Trust Account**

Income	Expenditures	Remaining
<b>\$16,753.00</b>	<b>\$14,623.00</b>	<b>\$42,484.00</b>

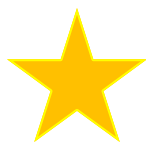
*Of Special Note...*

- ⇒ The library's Adopt-a-book program brought in \$770.00. With this program, people donate the funds for specific items that they want added to the collection and then are the first to read it.
- ⇒ The library raised \$2,882.00 at the Marketing Committee's Fundraising Events— Quilt Raffle, Fall Wreath-it-up, Christmas Cookie Walk and Build-a-Basket. These funds were allocated to enhance the library's physical and electronic collections.
- ⇒ The library received grants from Humanities Iowa, Shopko, Black Hills Energy, Dyersville Community Foundation, and the National Science Foundation to support library programming and equipment.

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*The library has a website that you can use to discover upcoming events, find out materials the library owns, learn about library policies, and follow links to online library services.*

**Check it out at [www.dyersville.lib.ia.us](http://www.dyersville.lib.ia.us)**

**We're also on Facebook & Twitter!**