

Library Board and Staff

Leonia Library Staff Members

Matt Latham - Director
Elizabeth Bender - Assistant
Director, Head of Children's
Services
Shinae Hyun - Head of User
Services
Jane Barnes - Daily Operations
Manager, Head of Circulation
Madeline Carnatz - Administrative
Assistant
Colleen Boerner - Senior Library
Assistant
Lisa Higgins - Bookkeeper
Harriet Burdock - Archivist
Douglas Jeter - Custodian
And our part-time clerk and page
staff

Library Board of Trustees

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Collaboration and Community

The library has a strong dedication to community and collaboration with local organizations and groups. In 2015, the library collaborated or partnered with many local civic, charity, and government organizations to provide services and events to the community.

Education and Entertainment

The library greatly expanded the number and variety of programs and events it offers to the community. The modern public library provides the means for education, entertainment, collaboration and exploration. Our classes, workshops and events reflect our dedication to



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2015 at the Leonia Library

2015 saw many changes for the Leonia Library - a new Director, a new Makerspace, new programs, new services, and more!

Highlight Programs / Events

- Makerspace Grand Opening
- Summer Concert and OpenMic Series
- 6th Annual Halloween Haunted House
- Lunar New Year Celebration
- STEAM Crafts for kids and teens
- Sewing classes for adults and teens
- Home Brew Basics
- Organic Gardening
- Computer Classes
- History of Leonia Lecture
- Beekeeping Basics
- Flat Rock Hawk Visit



2015: By the Numbers

- **130,455** people visited the library
- **3,047** people attended library programs
- **159** programs were offered by the library
- **99,803** items were borrowed
- **8,248** times people used library computers
- **3,316** new items were added to the collection
- **11,706** questions were answered by staff
- **209** times the meeting room spaces were used by community groups
- **24** art and community exhibits displayed at the library

Library Budget: By the Numbers

- **\$817,982** - 2015 allocated budget
- **\$50,782** additional expenses supplemented by donation/fines
- Annual Appeal - **\$18,490** in donations
- **\$4,400** - Grants awarded



Leonia Library Makerspace

Through generous donations and grants from Community Chest of Leonia, Friends of the Leonia Library and Leonia residents the library created a Makerspace at the library. Our mobile space provides access to STEAM (Science, Technology Engineering, Arts, and Math) tools and training for all ages. Staff taught dozens of hands-on classes and crafts, ranging from circuitry to 3D modeling/printing to coding to robotics. Our space includes a 3D printer, button maker, circuitry kits, Raspberry Pi, Arduino, LEGO Mindstorms and more. Regular programs and access to tools are now offered at the library for FREE.

New Services

- Makerspace - tools, classes and training
- Study buddy volunteer program - teens volunteer to help kids with schoolwork and studying.
- Weekly Conversational ESL Class with instructor Donna Keith
- Scanning station
- Fax station
- Public computer self-printing station
- Mobile laptop classroom
- Expanded graphic novel, comics and Manga collections
- Improved WiFi