

# ANNUAL REPORT 2021-2022

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# OBJECTIVES

## SHORT TERM OBJECTIVES

To present a positive image of the LRC by:

- Providing consistent, courteous, and caring service to our patrons.
- Providing for the instructional needs of our students and faculty.
- Maintaining a clean and orderly work place.
- Maintaining Higher Learning Commission accreditation by meeting all necessary standards.
- Meeting the college's audiovisual needs.

To ensure that LRC Library Technicians and work-study students are provided with the knowledge and training necessary to support an active and productive work place.

To survey students and faculty for annual comparative data, in order to evaluate the library's strengths and weaknesses.

To coordinate with instructors to provide library materials to continually support our evolving curriculum.

To continue to improve the collection of full-text databases to meet the academic needs of our students and faculty on and off campus.

## LONG TERM OBJECTIVES

To continue to encourage additional funding for library services by fostering positive relationships with generous donors.

To continue to critically evaluate the collection, current vendors, and services.

To improve the library facility with the following:

- New carpeting
- New furniture (chairs, computer workstations, study tables)

To continue organizing audiovisual equipment and remove outdated hardware.

To secure a suitable replacement for the outgoing Dean of the LRC.



# ACCOMPLISHMENTS

The collection was weeded significantly during the summer of 2022. All books with a copyright date older than 20 years and that had not circulated in the last 10 years were weeded unless they directly supported ACC curriculum. Books that were weeded no longer provided value to the collection; many contained outdated information, were damaged, inaccurate, or were irrelevant to a scholastic library.

The library proctored 197 VUE, 23 Empco, and 65 instructor tests.

160 students were provided with library orientations.

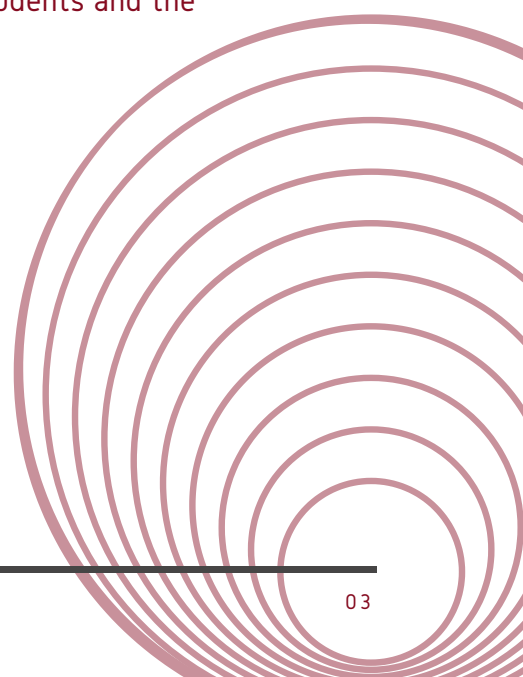
The library continued collaboration with other Michigan community college librarians and with local public library staff. Most notably, LRC staff worked with Alpena Public Library's Special Collections Librarian, Don LaBarre, to scan and catalog historical ACC student newspapers into an easily accessible database.

Library staff provided 198 hours of audiovisual assistance for college and community events.

Partnership continued with OMiA (Michigan Overdrive academic library consortium) to provide patrons access to eBooks and audiobooks through Overdrive/Libby.

The library has continued to offer a growing collection of free textbooks for students to use in the library.

Library staff began the process of re-envisioning the future of the library, including creating a more open-concept layout and providing a welcoming environment for students and the community.



# IN HONOR OF ELAINE WAGNER



In the summer of 2022, a portion of her donation was used to purchase brain teaser games and beautiful new furniture, including solid wood magazine racks and a coffee cart. Elaine's famous saying while working at the library was, "Make sure you take your break!" In her honor, we created a coffee corner and "living room" in the library for our patrons to enjoy. Students can often be found studying and relaxing in Elaine's corner of the library.

The library would like to make mention of a special donor, Elaine Wagner. She worked for the library many years ago as a LRC Library Technician and passed away on October 26, 2021. She generously left \$10,000 as a bequest to be used by the library.



We would like to thank the Elaine Wagner Family for their generosity.

# LIBRARY USAGE



63

DIGITAL  
AUDIOBOOK  
& EBOOK  
CHECKOUTS



463

PHYSICAL  
MATERIAL  
CHECKOUTS



17,756

TOTAL  
PATRON  
VISITS



44

TOTAL  
INTERLIBRARY  
LOAN EXCHANGES

# COLLECTION



2

DATABASES  
(PROQUEST & EBSCO)



16,829

PHYSICAL  
MATERIALS  
(BOOKS & MEDIA)



2,021

EBOOKS  
(OVERDRIVE)



825

DIGITAL  
AUDIOBOOKS  
(OVERDRIVE)



# PATRON SURVEY RESULTS

## COMMENTS FROM PATRONS:

"I feel as though it helped me understand the idea of how to use my sources available to me to assist me in writing a paper, or any homework for that matter."

"The library is always super helpful to me."

"I thought it was extremely helpful that we have access to so many different resources, and the orientation helped me be able to figure out how to use them!"

"The library is perfect for what I need."

"[The library] is a great opportunity to get one out of their zone to study in a more reliable place."

79%

SAID LIBRARY STAFF KEEP PATRONS INFORMED

99%

SAID LIBRARY STAFF ARE HELPFUL

99%

RATED THE LIBRARY EXCELLENT OR GOOD

71%

FELT CURRENT HOURS ARE ADEQUATE; 20% FELT HOURS SHOULD BE INCREASED