

**Waunakee Public Library**  
**Library Board Meeting**  
**Board Room**  
**Friday, April 19, 2024 7:45 AM**

- I. Call to order
- II. Roll call: Annie Ballweg, Jean Elvekrog, Kathy Grosskopf, Melissa Hill, Erin Moran, Angie Rojas Agudelo, Cathy Sheffield, Library Director Erick Plumb.
- III. Public Comment
- IV. Consent agenda
  - A. Approve March 15, 2024 Library Board Minutes
  - B. Approve Schedule of Bills
  - C. Approve Financial Reports
- V. Director's Report
- VI. Old Business
  - A. Friends of the Library Update
  - B. Discussion and possible action on Gift & Donation Policy
  - C. Discussion and possible action on Named Gift Policy
  - D. Discussion of Bruce Co. Proposal for Library Grounds
- VII. New Business
  - A. Discuss and possibly take action on Child Safety Policy
  - B. Discuss and possibly take action on Volunteer Policy
  - C. Approve delayed opening until 1 PM on May 10 for Staff Inservice/Training
- VIII. Adjourn

**Next Library Board meeting:** Friday, May 17, 2024 @ 7:45 AM in the Board Room, Waunakee Public Library

Notice is hereby given that the Village Board may attend this meeting. No action will be taken by the Village Board at this meeting.

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**Waunakee Public Library**

**Library Board Meeting**

**Friday, March 15, 2024- 7:45AM**

**201 N. Madison Street, Conference Room**

- I. **Call to order:** Cathy Sheffield called the meeting to order at 7:45 AM
- II. **Roll Call:**
  - A. **Roll call:** Present: Cathy Sheffield, Melissa Hill, Jean Elvekrog, Kathy Grosskopf, Annie Ballweg and Library Director Erick Plumb. Excused: Angie Rojas Agudelo  
Absent: Erin Moran
  - B. **Guests:** No guests
- III. **Public Comment** No public comment
- IV. **Approval of the consent agenda** Annie made a motion to approve. Jean seconded. Passed.
- V. **Director's Report** Courtney and Emily joined the meeting today. Three new Customer Service Assistants have been hired. Emily and Courtney were both involved in the interview process. Emily shared information about the three new hires and how as their trainer, the training has been going. The Create Waunakee Gala on February 17 was successful and showed what an amazing event space the Library is. The Village has hired Kaylyn Staudt as a Communications Director. We look forward to working with her on Library Communications, rebranding and website design. The Village is in the final process of hiring a Village-wide Maintenance Manager, Erick has been involved in this process. Bruce Company will present landscaping plans next week and Erick will be able to show the Board at the April meeting. We will likely begin working with a Beyond the Page Spanish language consultant in Fall to see how we can grow our services and programming. Erick will report at a later date on the next steps that are required to improve the acoustics in Community Hall. Courtney shared how her and Amy have been working to change over to the new Library Market/Calendar software. They are hoping to go Live the week of April 8th. Courtney has been working on developing One Off programs for Adults on weekends and Summer programming. She is hoping to apply for a Beyond the Page grant for an Indigenous Art series this Fall.
- VI. **Old Business**
  - A. **Friends of the Library Update** The Pi Day Sale was very successful. In less than 2 ½ hours, 89 pies were sold and total profits were \$1,866.00. Antiques, collectables and good quality used books are being collected for the Antique/Vintage/Shabby Chic Sale in Community Hall on 5/9 & 5/10, which is Waunakee Garage Sale Weekend.
- VII. **New Business**
  - A. **Discuss and possibly take action on Named Gift Policy** Will revisit in April.

**B. Discuss and possibly take action on Gift Policy** Will rework and add Deed of Gift.  
Will revisit in April.

**VIII. Adjourn** Cathy made a motion to adjourn at 8:37. Kathy seconded. Passed.

**Library Board Meeting: Friday, April 19, 2024 at 7:45 AM**  
**Respectfully submitted, Kathy M. Grosskopf, Trustee and Secretary**

# March 2024

| Account  | Vender                  | Amount          |
|--|-------------------------|-----------------|
| <u>100-551400-210 Outside services</u>                     |                         |                 |
|  | <b>Total</b>            | <b>0.00</b>     |
| <u>100-551400-219 Automation levy</u>                      | SCLS                    | 0.00            |
|  | <b>Total</b>            | <b>0.00</b>     |
| <u>100-551400-290 Leased items</u>                         |                         |                 |
|  | <b>Total</b>            | <b>0.00</b>     |
|  | Gordon Flesch           | 327.41          |
|  |                         | 0.00            |
|  | <b>Total</b>            | <b>327.41</b>   |
| <u>100-551400-292 Maintenance contracts</u>                |                         |                 |
|  | SCLS                    | 0.00            |
|  | Fearing's               | 0.00            |
|  |                         | 0.00            |
|  | <b>Total</b>            | <b>0.00</b>     |
| <u>100-551400-311 Postage</u>                              |                         |                 |
|  | Post Office             | 13.37           |
|  | UPS Store               | 0.00            |
|  | <b>Total</b>            | <b>13.37</b>    |
| <u>100-551400-320 Publications, subscriptions and dues</u> |                         |                 |
|  | Wall Street Journal     | 174.04          |
|  | State of Wi             | 0.00            |
|  | Rotary Club of Waunakee | 0.00            |
|  | WLA                     | 255.00          |
|  | <b>Total</b>            | <b>429.04</b>   |
| <u>100-551400-330 Travel and training</u>                  |                         |                 |
|  | SCLS                    | 0.00            |
|  | UW- Madison             | 0.00            |
|  | WLA                     | 430.00          |
|  | Brittany - parking      | 22.50           |
|  | <b>Total</b>            | <b>452.50</b>   |
| <u>100-551400-340 Programs</u>                             |                         |                 |
|  | Pig                     | 50.93           |
|  | Dunkin                  | 26.98           |
|  | Amazon                  | 652.67          |
|  | Michaels                | 0.00            |
|  | Apple                   | 12.62           |
|  | Trinity Irish Dancers   | 300.00          |
|  | Bernie Witzack          | 275.00          |
|  | Pizza Hut               | 83.93           |
|  | Costco                  | 184.88          |
|  | Laura Eyler             | 96.05           |
|  | Gentle Hearts Kids Yoga | 80.00           |
|  | Waunakee Chamber        | 0.00            |
|  | Minuteman Press         | 0.00            |
|  | Dollar Tree             | 22.50           |
|  | Post Office             | 0.00            |
|  | <b>Total</b>            | <b>1,785.56</b> |
| <u>100-551400-341 Equipment</u>                            |                         |                 |

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|---|-----------------------------|-----------------|
|   | Minuteman Press             | 0.00            |
|   | Amazon                      | 0.00            |
|   | Nassco                      | 0.00            |
|   | Walmart                     | 277.99          |
|   | SCLS                        | 0.00            |
|   | <b>Total</b>                | <b>277.99</b>   |
| <u>100-551400-350 Repairs and maint</u>                           |                             |                 |
|   | <b>Total</b>                | <b>0.00</b>     |
| <u>100-551400-380 Adult books</u>                                 |                             |                 |
|   | Amazon                      | 144.44          |
|   | Baker and Taylor            | 2,985.38        |
|   | Barnes and Noble            | 0.00            |
|   | Dane County Library Service | 0.00            |
|   | <b>Total</b>                | <b>3,129.82</b> |
| <u>100-551400-381 Juvenile books</u>                              |                             |                 |
|   | Amazon                      | 0.00            |
|   | Baker and Taylor            | 2,541.56        |
|   | Penworthy                   | 0.00            |
|   | The Dot Central             | 0.00            |
|   | <b>Total</b>                | <b>2,541.56</b> |
| <u>100-551400-383 Serial subscriptions</u>                        |                             |                 |
|   | Rivistas                    | 0.00            |
|   | <b>Total</b>                | <b>0.00</b>     |
| <u>100-551400-384 - Digital Materials &amp; Computer Software</u> |                             |                 |
|   | Amazon                      | 0.00            |
|   | Kanopy                      | 105.45          |
|   | T- mobile - Hotspots        | 123.20          |
|   | Verizon -Hotspots           | 200.05          |
|   | CDW - Adobe                 | 0.00            |
|   | <b>Total</b>                | <b>428.70</b>   |
| <u>100-551400-385 Kit supplies</u>                                |                             |                 |
|   | Amazon                      | 328.51          |
|   | Minuteman Press             | 42.46           |
|   | Target                      | 0.00            |
|   | Walmart                     | 0.00            |
|   | LL Bean                     | 0.00            |
|   | Wall Monkeys                | 0.00            |
|   | <b>Total</b>                | <b>370.97</b>   |
| <u>100-551400-386 Audio materials</u>                             |                             |                 |
|   | Blackstone Publishing       | 35.99           |
|   | Midwest Tape                | 197.27          |
|   | Amazon                      | 101.96          |
|   | Playaway                    | 275.96          |
|   | <b>Total</b>                | <b>611.18</b>   |
| <u>100-551400-387 Videos</u>                                      |                             |                 |
|   | Amazon                      | 804.16          |
|   | Midwest Tape                | 136.38          |
|   | Debbie Howard               | 0.00            |
|   | Greta Productions           | 0.00            |
|   | <b>Total</b>                | <b>940.54</b>   |
| <u>100-551400-390 Other</u>                                       |                             |                 |
|   | Amazon                      | 97.14           |
|   | Office Depot                | 0.00            |
|   | SCLS                        | 220.42          |
|   | Walmart                     | 36.42           |
|   | Pig                         | 0.00            |
|   | Demco                       | 0.00            |
|   | Thermal Paper Direct        | 0.00            |
|   | Uline                       | 0.00            |

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| <u>100-551400-391 Personnel</u>                        | <b>Total</b>                 | <u><u>353.98</u></u>    |
| <br>   |                              |                         |
| <u>100-551400-392 Public relations</u>                 | <b>Total</b>                 | <u><u>0.00</u></u>      |
|  | Minuteman Press              | 0.00                    |
|  | Fearings                     | 0.00                    |
|  | Mailchimp                    | 45.00                   |
|  | Canva                        | 30.19                   |
|  | <b>Total</b>                 | <u><u>75.19</u></u>     |
| <u>100-551401-210 Building serices</u>                 |                              |                         |
|  | The Electricians             | 0.00                    |
|  | Midwest Alarm                | 0.00                    |
|  | Otis Elevator Company        | 0.00                    |
|  | Bruce Company                | 0.00                    |
|  | JF Ahern                     | 0.00                    |
|  | Fearing's                    | 405.00                  |
|  | <b>Total</b>                 | <u><u>405.00</u></u>    |
| <u>100-551401-350 Repairs/Maintenance</u>              |                              |                         |
|  | Nassco                       | 0.00                    |
|  | Kraemer Air Filter Corp      | 0.00                    |
|  | Menards                      | 137.97                  |
|  | Ace Hardware                 | 25.96                   |
|  | Amazon                       | 0.00                    |
|  | Schilling Supply Company     | 0.00                    |
|  | Capital Coffee               | 0.00                    |
|  | The Electricians             | 0.00                    |
|  | USA Clean                    | 0.00                    |
|  | Waunakee Power Equipment     | 0.00                    |
|  | <b>Total</b>                 | <u><u>163.93</u></u>    |
| <u>430-5514000-810 Equipmenrt replacement /Capital</u> | SCLS                         | 6,108.18                |
|  |                              | <u><u>6,108.18</u></u>  |
| <br>   |                              |                         |
| <u>220 fund</u>  | School Outfitters            | 544.17                  |
|  | Waunakee Chamber of Commerce | 0.00                    |
|  | Tee Public                   | 0.00                    |
|  | <b>Total</b>                 | <u><u>544.17</u></u>    |
|  | <b>Month Total</b>           | <u><u>18,959.09</u></u> |

VILLAGE OF WAUNAKEE  
EXPENDITURES WITH COMPARISON TO BUDGET  
FOR THE 3 MONTHS ENDING MARCH 31, 2024

GENERAL FUND

|  | PERIOD<br>ACTUAL  | YTD ACTUAL        | BUDGET<br>AMOUNT    | VARIANCE            | % OF<br>BUDGET | PRIOR YEAR        |
|--|-------------------|-------------------|---------------------|---------------------|----------------|-------------------|
| <u>LIBRARY OPERATIONS</u>                    |                   |                   |                     |                     |                |                   |
| 100-551400-110 LIBRARY FULL TIME             | 37,145.35         | 111,355.62        | 481,614.00          | 370,258.38          | 23.12          | 103,222.22        |
| 100-551400-120 LIBRARY PART TIME             | 31,147.83         | 86,178.69         | 363,945.00          | 277,766.31          | 23.68          | 80,464.98         |
| 100-551400-130 LIBRARY FICA                  | 4,973.19          | 14,354.56         | 64,686.00           | 50,331.44           | 22.19          | 13,194.37         |
| 100-551400-131 LIBRARY RETIREMENT            | 3,305.71          | 9,915.19          | 42,819.00           | 32,903.81           | 23.16          | 9,484.91          |
| 100-551400-132 LIBRARY HEALTH                | 12,786.18         | 49,625.25         | 156,479.00          | 106,853.75          | 31.71          | 45,684.94         |
| 100-551400-133 LIBRARY LIFE                  | 70.85             | 283.40            | 808.00              | 524.60              | 35.07          | 241.42            |
| 100-551400-134 LIBRARY DENTAL                | 761.21            | 3,044.84          | 8,460.00            | 5,415.16            | 35.99          | 2,767.12          |
| 100-551400-210 LIBRARY OUTSIDE SERVICES      | .00               | .00               | 1,296.00            | 1,296.00            | .00            | 105.00            |
| 100-551400-219 LIBRARY AUTOMATION LEVY       | .00               | 72,018.00         | 72,019.00           | 1.00                | 100.00         | 68,923.32         |
| 100-551400-225 LIBRARY COMMUNICATIONS        | 731.02            | 1,462.04          | 8,700.00            | 7,237.96            | 16.81          | 720.96            |
| 100-551400-290 LIBRARY LEASED ITEMS          | 622.29            | 1,174.29          | 8,940.00            | 7,765.71            | 13.14          | 1,489.18          |
| 100-551400-292 LIBRARY MAINTENANCE CONTRACTS | .00               | 2,107.40          | 2,477.00            | 369.60              | 85.08          | 2,009.39          |
| 100-551400-311 LIBRARY POSTAGE               | 8.54              | 754.95            | 1,500.00            | 745.05              | 50.33          | 137.73            |
| 100-551400-320 LIBRARY PUBS/SUBS/DUES        | .00               | 4,053.04          | 2,924.00            | ( 1,129.04)         | 138.61         | 5,009.73          |
| 100-551400-330 LIBRARY TRAVEL/TRAINING       | .00               | .00               | 2,200.00            | 2,200.00            | .00            | 260.00            |
| 100-551400-340 LIBRARY PROGRAMS              | 1,664.16          | 7,812.50          | 35,000.00           | 27,187.50           | 22.32          | 2,080.11          |
| 100-551400-341 LIBRARY EQUIPMENT             | .00               | 1,961.73          | 7,500.00            | 5,538.27            | 26.16          | 861.78            |
| 100-551400-380 LIBRARY ADULT BOOKS           | 3,656.20          | 6,574.82          | 50,000.00           | 43,425.18           | 13.15          | 4,197.90          |
| 100-551400-381 LIBRARY JUVENILE BOOKS        | 1,817.01          | 6,006.84          | 28,000.00           | 21,993.16           | 21.45          | 2,404.06          |
| 100-551400-383 LIBRARY SERIAL SUBSCRIPTIONS  | 103.20            | 183.19            | 8,572.00            | 8,388.81            | 2.14           | 74.99             |
| 100-551400-384 LIBRARY COMPUTER SOFTWARE     | 447.77            | 10,592.26         | 22,721.00           | 12,128.74           | 46.62          | 11,609.19         |
| 100-551400-385 LIBRARY KIT SUPPLIES          | 270.35            | 1,001.00          | 4,500.00            | 3,499.00            | 22.24          | 218.45            |
| 100-551400-386 LIBRARY AUDIO MATERIALS       | 489.49            | 1,151.13          | 8,500.00            | 7,348.87            | 13.54          | 972.18            |
| 100-551400-387 LIBRARY VIDEOS                | 354.72            | 1,245.92          | 8,000.00            | 6,754.08            | 15.57          | 1,510.81          |
| 100-551400-390 LIBRARY OTHER                 | 688.95            | 1,587.72          | 16,000.00           | 14,412.28           | 9.92           | 1,979.86          |
| 100-551400-391 LIBRARY PERSONNEL             | .00               | .00               | .00                 | .00                 | .00            | 144.00            |
| 100-551400-392 LIBRARY PUBLIC RELATIONS      | 113.00            | 158.00            | 6,000.00            | 5,842.00            | 2.63           | 104.00            |
| <b>TOTAL LIBRARY OPERATIONS</b>              | <b>101,157.02</b> | <b>394,602.38</b> | <b>1,413,660.00</b> | <b>1,019,057.62</b> | <b>27.91</b>   | <b>359,872.60</b> |
| <u>LIBRARY BUILDING</u>                      |                   |                   |                     |                     |                |                   |
| 100-551401-110 LIBRARY BLDG FULL TIME        | 5,033.41          | 14,972.81         | 66,272.00           | 51,299.19           | 22.59          | 16,121.16         |
| 100-551401-120 LIBRARY BLDG PART-TIME        | 2,164.49          | 6,236.43          | 34,334.00           | 28,097.57           | 18.16          | 5,066.95          |
| 100-551401-121 LIBRARY BLDG OVERTIME         | 645.10            | 1,314.10          | .00                 | ( 1,314.10)         | .00            | .00               |
| 100-551401-130 LIBRARY BLDG FICA             | 586.05            | 1,699.34          | 7,696.00            | 5,996.66            | 22.08          | 1,587.44          |
| 100-551401-131 LIBRARY BLDG RETIREMENT       | 391.82            | 1,123.80          | 4,573.00            | 3,449.20            | 24.57          | 1,096.22          |
| 100-551401-132 LIBRARY BLDG HEALTH           | 1,713.47          | 6,397.39          | 20,940.00           | 14,542.61           | 30.55          | 6,001.75          |
| 100-551401-133 LIBRARY BLDG LIFE             | 5.89              | 21.20             | 71.00               | 49.80               | 29.86          | 22.16             |
| 100-551401-134 LIBRARY BLDG DENTAL           | 163.97            | 655.88            | 1,968.00            | 1,312.12            | 33.33          | 560.16            |
| 100-551401-210 LIBRARY BLDG SERVICES         | 405.00            | 2,392.38          | 29,753.00           | 27,360.62           | 8.04           | 225.00            |
| 100-551401-220 LIBRARY BLDG UTILITIES        | 1,923.60          | 3,634.51          | 24,000.00           | 20,365.49           | 15.14          | 3,840.48          |
| 100-551401-221 LIBRARY BLDG GAS HEAT         | 1,076.69          | 4,447.37          | 18,000.00           | 13,552.63           | 24.71          | 7,876.71          |
| 100-551401-350 LIBRARY BLDG REPAIRS/MAINT    | 1,472.75          | 3,055.66          | 21,000.00           | 17,944.34           | 14.55          | 2,904.30          |
| 100-551401-390 LIBRARY BLDG OTHER            | .00               | 200.00            | 200.00              | .00                 | 100.00         | 185.00            |
| <b>TOTAL LIBRARY BUILDING</b>                | <b>15,582.24</b>  | <b>46,150.87</b>  | <b>228,807.00</b>   | <b>182,656.13</b>   | <b>20.17</b>   | <b>45,487.35</b>  |

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VILLAGE OF WAUNAKEE  
BALANCE SHEET  
MARCH 31, 2024

LIBRARY SPECIAL REVENUE FUND

ASSETS

|           |                 |            |                   |
|-----------|-----------------|------------|-------------------|
| 220-11110 | COMMINGLED CASH | 133,363.26 |                   |
| 220-11801 | CASH ON HAND    | 968.71     |                   |
|           | TOTAL ASSETS    |            | <u>134,331.97</u> |

LIABILITIES AND EQUITY

FUND EQUITY

|           |                                 |            |                   |
|-----------|---------------------------------|------------|-------------------|
| 220-34300 | FUND BALANCE                    | 124,317.37 |                   |
|           | BEGINNING FUND BALANCE          | 124,317.37 |                   |
|           | REVENUE OVER EXPENDITURES - YTD | 10,014.60  |                   |
|           | TOTAL FUND EQUITY               |            | <u>134,331.97</u> |
|           | TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY    |            | <u>134,331.97</u> |







**1030243: Waunakee Library Forever Fund**

2/1/2024 To 2/29/2024

**Balance**

|                   |            |
|-------------------|------------|
| Beginning Balance | 320,092.43 |
|-------------------|------------|

**Contributions/Gifts**

|                |      |
|----------------|------|
| Contributions* | 0.00 |
|----------------|------|

*\*Contribution totals include net gift amounts for credit card gifts. Each credit card gift is assessed a merchant processing fee by the donor's credit card company of approximately 4%.*

|              |      |
|--------------|------|
| Transfers In | 0.00 |
|--------------|------|

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**0.00**

**Portfolio Gains (Losses)**

|                      |        |
|----------------------|--------|
| Interest & Dividends | 150.25 |
|----------------------|--------|

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|------------------------|----------|
| Unrealized Gain / Loss | 5,147.55 |
|------------------------|----------|

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| Realized Gain / Loss | 375.04 |
|----------------------|--------|

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|---------------------|--------|
| Investment Expenses | (0.06) |
|---------------------|--------|

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**5,672.78**

**Grants/Distributions**

|                      |      |
|----------------------|------|
| Grants/Distributions | 0.00 |
|----------------------|------|

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|---------------|------|
| Transfers Out | 0.00 |
|---------------|------|

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| MCF Support | (266.74) |
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**(266.74)**

**Ending Balance**

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**\$325,498.47**

**Available to Grant as of 2/29/2024**

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**\$0.00**

# WAUNAKEE PUBLIC LIBRARY MONTHLY ACTIVITY REPORT

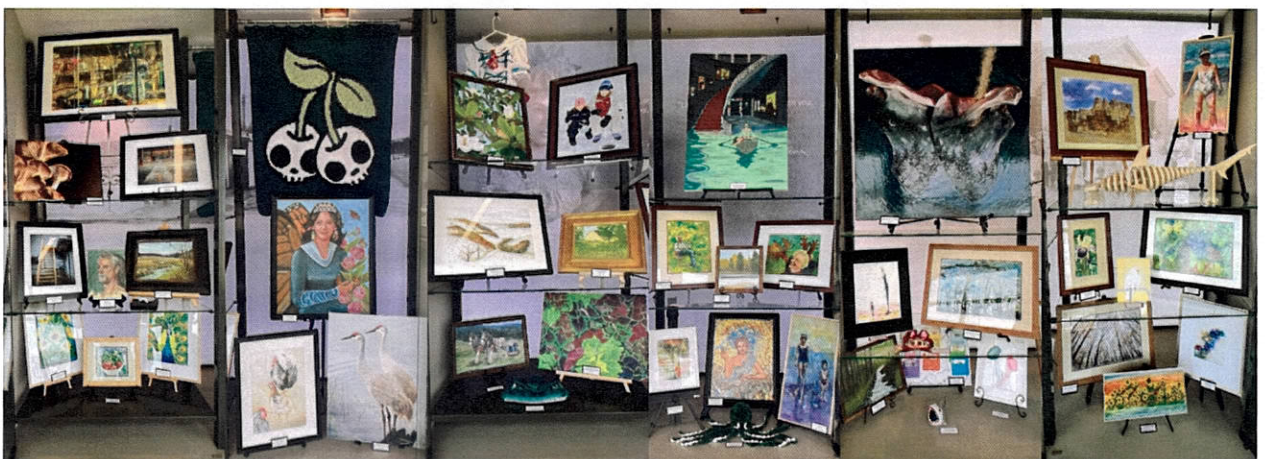
March 2024

|  | 2024   |            |            | 2023   |            | % Change   | % Change  | YTD      |
|--|--------|------------|------------|--------|------------|------------|-----------|----------|
|  | March  | Prev Month | Yr-to-date | March  | Yr-to-date | Prev Month | Prev Year | % Change |
| # of Days Library was open                       | 30     | 29         | 86         | 31     | 88         | 3.4%       | N/A       | N/A      |
| <b>CIRCULATION</b>                               |        |            |            |        |            |            |           |          |
| Physical circulation                             | 23,354 | 22,422     | 68,527     | 25,347 | 72,467     | 4.2%       | -7.9%     | -5.4%    |
| Digital circulation                              | 5,369  | 4,979      | 15,797     | 4,259  | 12,824     | 7.8%       | 26.1%     | 23.2%    |
| Library Total                                    | 28,723 | 27,401     | 84,324     | 29,606 | 85,291     | 4.8%       | -3.0%     | -1.1%    |
| Per Day library was open                         | 957    | 945        | 2,947      | 955    | 2,909      | 1.3%       | 0.3%      | 1.3%     |
| Average of Deforest, Monona and Verona libraries | 26,482 | 25,738     | 78,869     | 28,353 | 79,426     | 2.9%       | -6.6%     | -0.7%    |
| <b>By Category</b>                               |        |            |            |        |            |            |           |          |
| Books  |        |            |            |        |            |            |           |          |
| Juvenile Fiction                                 | 3,141  | 2,927      | 9,041      | 3,219  | 9,238      | 7.3%       | -2.4%     | -2.1%    |
| Juvenile Non-Fiction                             | 1,482  | 1,590      | 4,549      | 1,630  | 4,878      | -6.8%      | -9.1%     | -6.7%    |
| Easy Readers                                     | 1,774  | 1,661      | 5,129      | 1,832  | 5,377      | 6.8%       | -3.2%     | -4.6%    |
| Picture books                                    | 4,491  | 4,376      | 13,582     | 5,134  | 15,669     | 2.6%       | -12.5%    | -13.3%   |
| Total Juvenile                                   | 10,888 | 10,554     | 32,301     | 11,815 | 35,162     | 3.2%       | -7.8%     | -8.1%    |
| Young Adult                                      | 782    | 655        | 2,149      | 742    | 1,987      | 19.4%      | 5.4%      | 8.2%     |
| Adult Fiction                                    | 3,143  | 2,959      | 9,243      | 3,436  | 9,559      | 6.2%       | -8.5%     | -3.3%    |
| Adult non-Fiction                                | 2,447  | 2,618      | 7,592      | 2,641  | 7,421      | -6.5%      | -7.3%     | 2.3%     |
| Large print                                      | 856    | 813        | 2,495      | 977    | 2,613      | 5.3%       | -12.4%    | -4.5%    |
| Total Adult                                      | 6,446  | 6,390      | 19,330     | 7,054  | 19,593     | 0.9%       | -8.6%     | -1.3%    |
| Magazines  | 451    | 375        | 1,223      | 407    | 1,173      | 20.3%      | 10.8%     | 4.3%     |
| Audio  | 817    | 798        | 2,373      | 939    | 2,397      | 2.4%       | -13.0%    | -1.0%    |
| DVD and Blu-ray                                  | 2,804  | 2,506      | 7,721      | 2,976  | 8,308      | 11.9%      | -5.8%     | -7.1%    |
| Software and video games                         | 158    | 190        | 506        | 160    | 381        | -16.8%     | -1.3%     | 32.8%    |
| Kits   | 859    | 814        | 2,540      | 1,147  | 3,209      | 5.5%       | -25.1%    | -20.8%   |
| Electric Resources                               | 0      | 0          | 0          | 0      | 0          | N/A        | N/A       | N/A      |
| E-reader, laptops, equipment                     | 92     | 77         | 231        | 73     | 164        | 19.5%      | 26.0%     | 40.9%    |
| E-books  | 5,369  | 4,979      | 15,797     | 4,259  | 12,824     | 7.8%       | 26.1%     | 23.2%    |
| % of total circulation                           | 18.7%  | 18.2%      | 18.7%      | 14.4%  | 15.0%      | 2.9%       | 29.9%     | N/A      |
| <b>PROGRAMS</b>                                  |        |            |            |        |            |            |           |          |
| Children   |        |            |            |        |            |            |           |          |
| Number   | 39     | 40         | 117        | 37     | 103        | -2.5%      | 5.4%      | 13.6%    |
| Attendance                                       | 1,359  | 1,337      | 3,730      | 969    | 2,947      | 1.6%       | 40.2%     | 26.6%    |
| Young adult                                      |        |            |            |        |            |            |           |          |
| Number   | 6      | 6          | 17         | 7      | 15         | 0.0%       | -14.3%    | 13.3%    |
| Attendance                                       | 25     | 34         | 94         | 90     | 139        | -26.5%     | -72.2%    | -32.4%   |
| Adult  |        |            |            |        |            |            |           |          |
| Number   | 21     | 19         | 60         | 12     | 40         | 10.5%      | 75.0%     | 50.0%    |
| Attendance                                       | 379    | 347        | 1,022      | 178    | 510        | 9.2%       | 112.9%    | 100.4%   |
| <b>NEW PATRONS ADDED</b>                         | 94     | 86         | 314        | 96     | 281        | 9.3%       | -2.1%     | 11.7%    |
| <b>PUBLIC MEETING ROOM BOOKINGS</b>              | 27     | 34         | 93         | 26     | 81         | -20.6%     | 3.8%      | 14.8%    |
| <b>STUDY ROOM BOOKINGS</b>                       | 510    | 569        | 1562       | 458    | 1330       | -10.4%     | 11.4%     | 17.4%    |
| <b>PUBLIC PC SESSIONS</b>                        | 422    | 408        | 1,170      | 532    | 1,403      | 3.4%       | -20.7%    | -16.6%   |
| <b>UNIQUE WIRELESS USERS</b>                     | 1,631  | 1,622      | 4,927      | 2,141  | 6,408      | 0.6%       | -23.8%    | -23.1%   |
| <b>CURBSIDE TRANSACTIONS</b>                     | 36     | 46         | 113        | 29     | 113        | -21.7%     | 24.1%     | 0.0%     |
| <b># OF VISITORS TO LIBRARY</b>                  | 13,148 | 13,890     | 38,758     | 12,532 | 34,962     | -5.3%      | 4.9%      | 10.9%    |

**Library Activity Report**  
**Library Director Erick Plumb**  
**April 19, 2024**

**Library Activity in March/April**

- The Village reopened the Village Maintenance Manager position after deciding not to make an offer to the previous applicants. While this delays the start of the position, hiring the right candidate to establish this new position is critically important. In the interim, Jeff and his guys continue to do a great job taking care of the building. We are, however, at the point where we need more help to cover the Library on weekends, particularly for off-hour events. To that end, I am advertising for a 10 hr/wk Weekend Building Supervisor position who will focus on Friday-Sunday hours. Hopefully, we find someone great. Until then, I have asked Courtney not to schedule any private events in Community Hall on Sundays in the Summer when we are closed. Demand has outstripped our ability to cover these hours. We will re-evaluate once a new person is hired and as the Village-wide maintenance situation plays out in the coming weeks and months.
- We hired two new pages/shelvers: Miranda Whiting will work 15 hours a week. We also hired Violet Marx who will be our substitute page, and she'll work a couple shifts a week to stay in practice. We're excited to have them join the squad ahead of our busy summer schedule.
- We launched new room/event scheduling software on April 8. The imaginatively named "LibraryCalendar" system replaces our previous product that has been "sunsetted" by the vendor. So far, patrons and staff have adjusted well to the change.
- Kaylyn Staudt started her position as Village Communications Manager. Already, she has made an impact; the Village is hosting weekly Communications Briefings to share information about events and happenings.
- The Library is once again hosting the WRAP (Wisconsin Region Arts Program) exhibit. History Hall's display cases are housing artwork by local artists. WRAP runs into mid-May. Thanks to Kylie West for her work arranging this event.



- We are transitioning away from monthly staff meetings to lengthier, quarterly meetings and Inservice sessions that will include training in addition to discussion. The Library has scheduled a training session for staff on Friday, May 10. UW-Madison School of Information professor Dorothea Salo will deliver a talk on privacy issues facing libraries in 2024. We'll also do training on meeting room AV, preview the Summer Reading Program, unveil the preliminary master plan

for the Library's grounds, and more. The day's program will run approximately 8 AM-12 PM pending Board approval.

- The Book Bike has a new look! The book bike was well-utilized at community events across the Village last year, but it definitely was fairly plain-looking. No longer: Amy Sampson contracted with local artist Emily Balsley who came up with the custom-artwork. It turned out wonderfully and should bring some smiles this summer when WPL is out-and-about.



- Honeysuckle for the new portions of our wooden alley fence has been ordered and should be delivered and installed by Bruce Co. in June.

### **Youth Services Report by Brittany Gitzlaff.**

March is always an interesting month as we approach spring break, and planning for all things summer really begin to take off. School visits are set, reading sheets are being prepared, and plans are underway. We also had a busier than normal spring break week, and noticed a lot of new faces. We offered a few extra programs, and of course, the kids' favorite activity was a library scavenger hunt. Once again we were able to bring back the Trinity Irish Dancers for a performance, and as always, it packed Community Hall full. This month I attended the Power Up Conference at UW-Madison. This two-day conference is geared towards youth services managers, and it's one of my favorite CE opportunities. My favorite sessions this year were about serving disabled people, expanding outreach opportunities, and connecting with Latino families outside of the library

### **Adult Outreach Report by Courtney Cosgriff**

In March, I hosted 7 programs and my book club. Amy and I attended additional meetings on Library Market calendar software. We also trained all staff on the new software and are ready to go live on April 8th. I attended the Dementia Friendly Coalition meeting. We are participating in their Caregiver Resource Fair in May. I attended an SCLS Inclusive Services meeting. I assisted Emily with the Page interviews. I had my quarterly check in with Paulette.

### **Community Engagement Report by Amy Sampson**

This month Courtney and I finalized our set up of Library Calendar, transferred events from the old system, and started training staff. We are set to launch on April 8th! I met with Fatima from WNC and Bex from Literacy Network to plan for our next semester of English Classes, which will be virtual over the summer. I also started contacting local businesses around town to solicit prizes for our summer reading program. The Building Connections planning group and I scheduled our next two programs for May and June. Our fourth blood drive was held on March 12th and we set a new record of 51 donations, surpassing our goal of 42!



## NAMED GIFT POLICY

*(Changes in italics)*

### PURPOSE

This policy serves as a guideline to members of the Waunakee Public Library (herein the Library) that wishes to honor persons or entities making *significant* contributions to the Library.

### DEFINITIONS

The Library's properties, facilities, rooms, spaces and features within those facilities, and programs available for naming shall be collectively referred to as "Named Gifts."

### POLICY

#### 1. Authority

Authority for approving all Named Gifts rests with the Library Board at the recommendation of the Library Director. *Named Gifts are accepted or rejected on the basis of suitability to the Library's mission, décor, and availability of space for display, as well as the understanding that the Library has the authority to make whatever disposition is deemed advisable, which may include sale, transfer to another agency, and so forth.*

#### 2. Requirements for Named Gifts

- a. No commitment for Named Gifts shall be made prior to approval of the proposed gift by the Board at the recommendation of the Library Director.
- b. Each proposal for a Named Gift shall be considered on its merits with all due attention given to both the long-term and short-term appropriateness of a Named Gift.
- c. Any proposal for a Named Gift shall be subject to review by the Village of Waunakee's legal counsel, if appropriate.

- d. In reviewing a request for a named gift, consideration shall be given to:
- i. the significance of the proposed gift as it relates to the realization of *a specific project fulfilling the Library's need*;
  - ii. the urgency of need for project funds;
  - iii. the eminence and reputation of the individual or entity whose name is proposed; and
  - iv. the relationship of the individual or entity to the Library.
- e. The gift shall constitute a significant portion of the total cost of the item to be named. The gift shall either: (1) fund the total cost of the item to be named; or (2) provide a substantial portion of the total cost.
- f. The donor must agree to pay a minimum of 50% of their gift within *one* years from the date their gift commitment is made. The balance, if any, must be paid within the following two years. Pledges exceeding three years must be approved by the Library Board at the recommendation of the Library Director.

## FORMS OF RECOGNITION

1. All Donors shall be recognized as follows:
  - a) All donors of gifts of \$2,500 or more will be publicly recognized (e.g., newsletter, website, temporary on-site signage).
  - b) Donors of gifts of \$5,000 or more may also elect to have their name displayed in association with specific features of the facility *or grounds* (e.g. a certain room or area), subject to availability.

***Revised April 19, 2024***



## GIFT AND DONATION POLICY

The Waunakee Public Library welcomes the support of the community through gifts of money or real property. These gifts help enrich and improve public library resources.

### 1. Authority

- A. According to the Wisconsin State Statutes s. 43.58 (Power & Duties), “the library board shall have exclusive control of the expenditures of all money collected, donated or appropriated to the library fund.”
- B. The funds described in this policy are included within the scope of this statement of authority.

### 2. Types of Gifts and Terms of Acceptance

- A. The Library does not accept gifts of books, pamphlets, periodicals, audiovisual materials, and other items without the approval of the Library Director. Such items will be accepted only if they enhance the library’s collection, such as materials relating to local, state, or regional history or culture. Any special collections of gift books that are deemed usable may be integrated into the regular collection rather than be kept together as a separate entity.
- B. Gifts of money, real property, art objects, portraits, antiques, and other museum objects are accepted or rejected on the basis of suitability to the library’s mission, décor, and availability of space for display, as well as the understanding that the library has the authority to make whatever disposition is deemed advisable, which may include sale, transfer to another agency, and so forth.
- C. Requirement of special housing or special handling of any item proposed as a gift may render it unacceptable.

### 3. Deposit Materials

- A. Requests to have materials temporarily housed in the library, i.e., materials that are not outright gifts, will be considered on a case-by-case basis. Generally speaking, such requests will not be honored unless their benefit to the community as determined by the Library



Director outweighs the extraordinary administrative procedures required to service them and they cannot be reasonably be made available to the community through any other source.

#### 4. **Special Library Funds**

- A. The **Library Special Revenue Fund**, designated as the 220 Fund on the Village of Waunakee's Income Statement as maintained by the Finance Director, is where miscellaneous income is deposited. Late fees, lost material revenue and other patron charges for service are deposited here; and associated expenditures will be transacted in Fund 220. The Library Director, under the supervision of the Library Board, may use special revenue fund money on special projects or services.
- B. The **General Library Donation Account**, designated as 100-48540070 on the Village of Waunakee's Income Statement as maintained by the Finance Director, is where monetary contributions from individuals and groups to the library are deposited. Money from the sale of real property, art objects, portraits, antiques, and other museum objects donated to the library will also be deposited in this account.
- C. **The Forever Fund** is an endowment established through the Madison Community Foundation for the purpose of enhancing the library's programming and services. Interest earned annually from this endowment will be used to fund library programming, technology, and staff training.

*Adopted December 2, 2016*

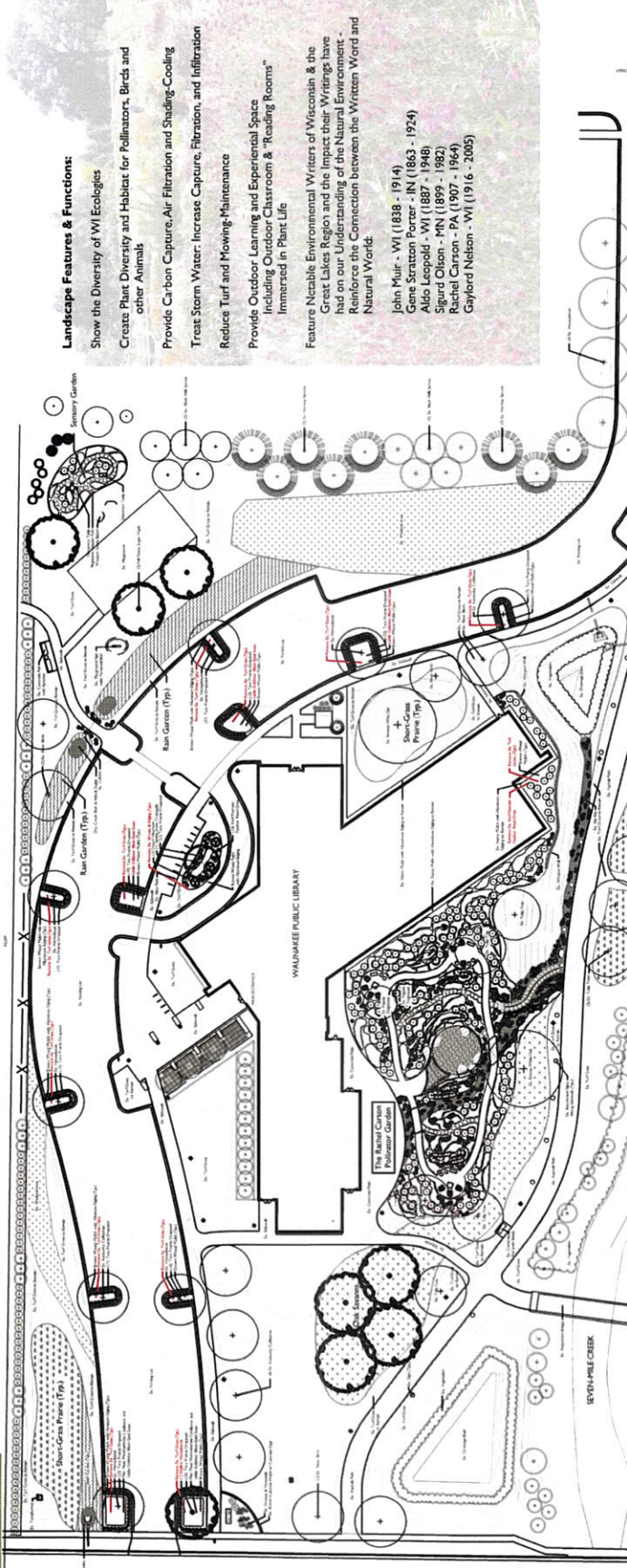
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# The WAUNAKEE PUBLIC LIBRARY Learning Landscape:

Exploring Connections Between the Written Word and Natural World

Goal: Create an Inviting, Diverse and Immersive Landscape that Provides a Learning Space Featuring the Ecosystems of Wisconsin and how Writings have Shaped our Thinking about the Natural Environment.



### Landscape Features & Functions:

- Show the Diversity of WI Ecologies
- Create Plant Diversity and Habitat for Pollinators, Birds and other Animals
- Provide Carbon Capture, Air Filtration and Shading-Cooling
- Treat Storm Water: Increase Capture, Filtration, and Infiltration
- Reduce Turf and Mowing-Maintenance
- Provide Outdoor, Learning and Experiential Space including Outdoor Classroom & "Reading Rooms" Immersed in Plant Life

Feature Notable Environmental Writers of Wisconsin & the Great Lakes Region and the Impact their Writings have had on our Understanding of the Natural Environment - Reinforce the Connection between the Written Word and Natural World.

- John Muir - WI (1838 - 1914)
- Gene Stratton Porter - IN (1863 - 1924)
- Aldo Leopold - WI (1887 - 1948)
- Sigurd Olson - MN (1899 - 1982)
- Rachel Carson - PA (1907 - 1964)
- Gaylord Nelson - WI (1916 - 2005)

**Authors who have Shaped our Understanding of the Natural Environment**

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Others:  
Gene Stratton Porter - *Fictions, a Gift of the Lakeshore, The Harvester*  
Sigurd Olson - *Writings, Wisconsin, Learning Place, Reflections from the North Country*  
Gaylord Nelson - *Beyond Earth Day, Filling the Program, Callard Nelson: Champion for Our Earth*

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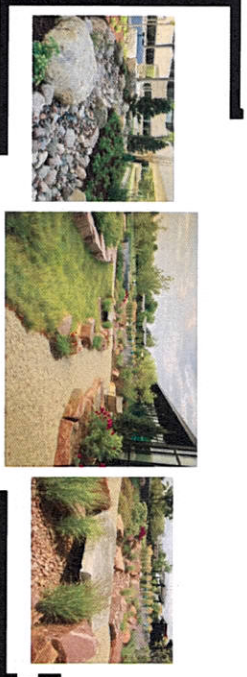
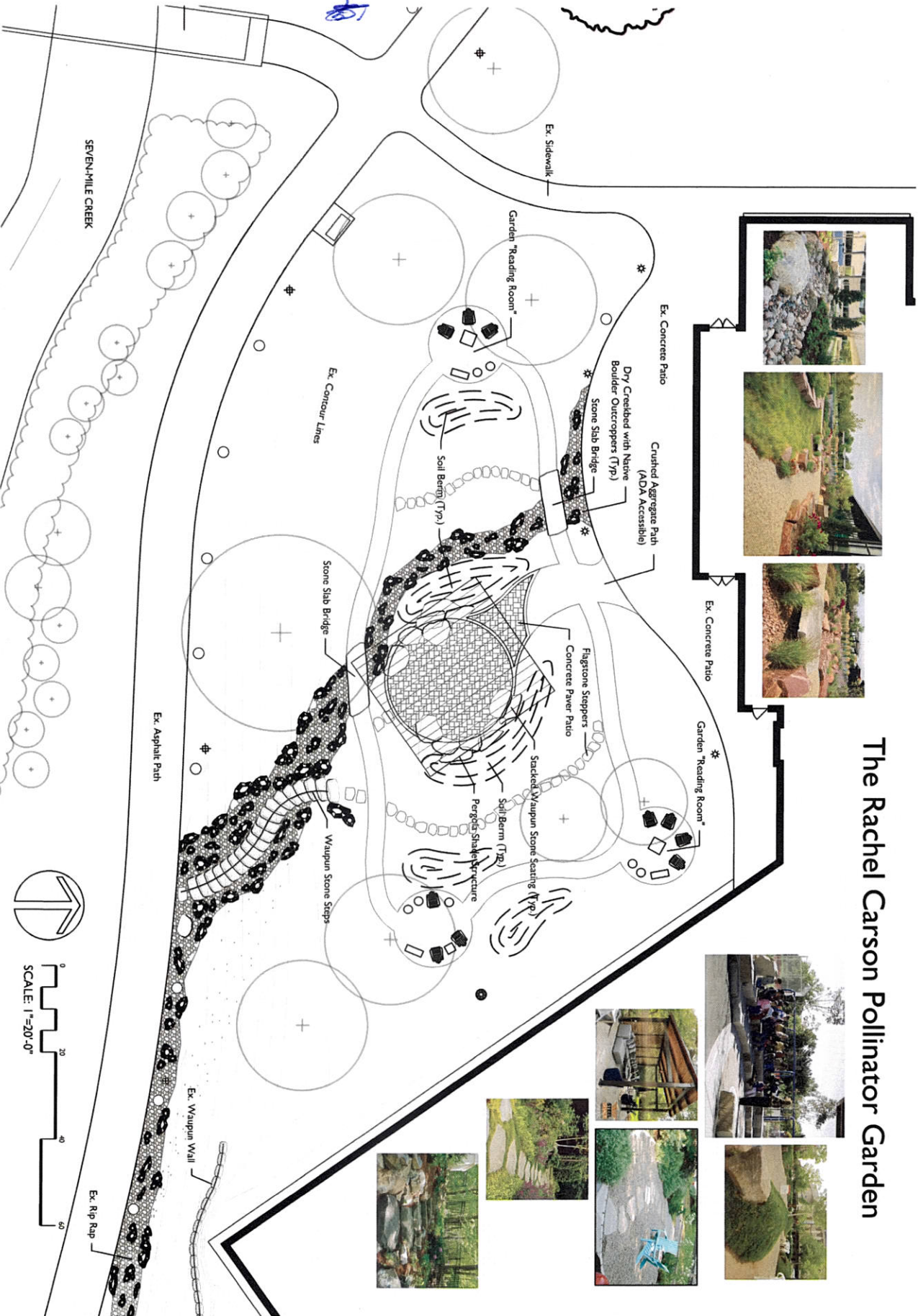
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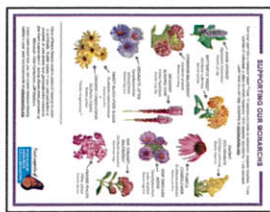
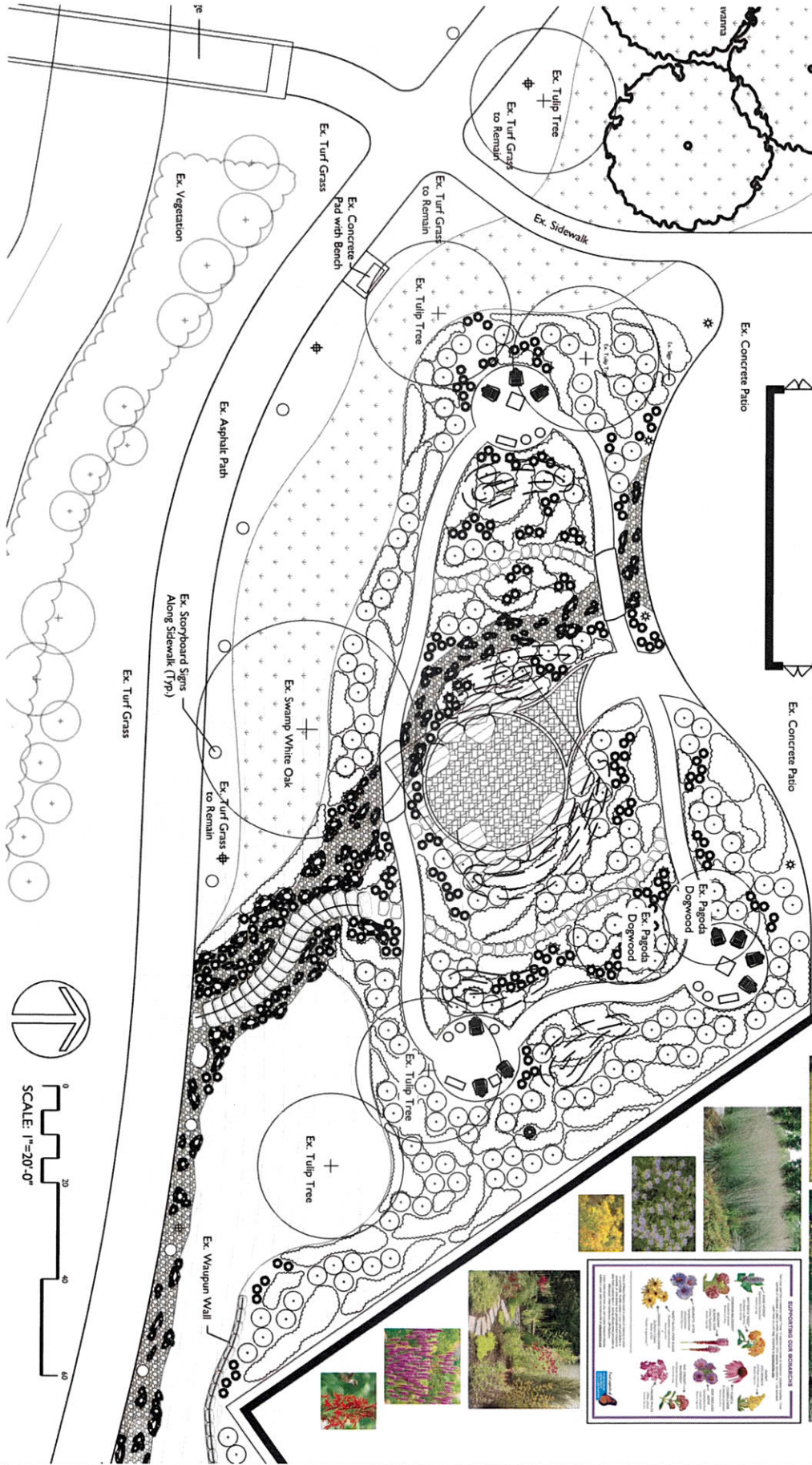
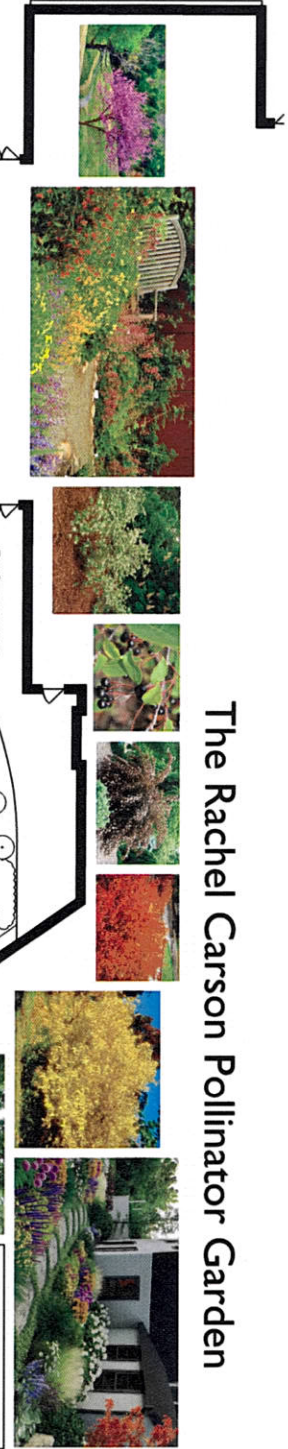
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## CHILD SAFETY POLICY

- I Purpose of Policy
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- IV Library Closing

### **I. Purpose of Policy**

(A) The Waunakee Public Library welcomes children and to use its facilities and services. Parents/guardians or caregivers are responsible for the behavior and welfare of children using the library. The Waunakee Public Library shall not be responsible or liable in any way for any consequences of parents/guardians or caregivers forfeiting their responsibilities. The public library does not serve *in loco parentis* (in place of a parent). Though staff will respond with care and concern, they cannot assume responsibility for children's safety and comfort when they are unattended.

(B) A caregiver must be at least 12 years of age.

(C) The library's definition of supervision is within sight or sound of a child.

### **II. Requirements and Responsibilities**

(A) All children must follow the library's Appropriate Behavior Policy. Responsibility for the welfare and behavior of children using the library rests with the parent, guardian, or responsible caregiver.

(B) The library recommends that children using the library independently have the telephone number of someone who can assist them in an emergency and have a library card account with up to date contact information.

(C) Children age 8 or younger must have a parent or caregiver accompanying them unless the child is participating in a library program designed for independent participation. However, parents or caregivers who do not attend the program with the child should remain in the building.

(D) Children ages 9 and older who are able to maintain proper library behavior may use the library unattended; otherwise a parent, guardian or responsible caregiver should adequately supervise them.

(E) Children behaving inappropriately will be informed of the rules. Parents or caregivers accompanying the child(ren) will be informed of the rules as well. If inappropriate behavior continues, the child shall be asked to leave the library for the remainder of the day.

### **III. Library Staff Intervention**

(A) Staff may, as needed:

1. Use reasonable judgment when estimating the age of a child or work with a child to determine their age.
2. Inform children behaving inappropriately of the library rules.
3. Notify parents, guardians, or responsible caregivers whose children need additional supervision.
4. Contact the Police to assist with violations of the Behavior Policy or to ensure the safety of unattended children.

(B) Library staff will not transport any child from the library to another location.

### **IV. Library Closing**

Parents or guardians are responsible to pick up children from the library at the time of closing. If a child under the age of 16 has not been picked up 15 minutes after the library closes, staff will contact the Police Department to wait with the child until he/she is picked up. Two staff members will wait until an officer or the child's ride arrives, whichever occurs first. Staff will be paid for this time. The youth services manager will contact the parent and inform them of the policy. Library staff will document the incident.

This policy replaces any previous policy regarding Child Safety.

*Approved January 17, 2020*



## LIBRARY VOLUNTEER POLICY

### **Purpose**

The Waunakee Public Library welcomes community volunteers to supplement the efforts of paid library staff in delivering quality public service, and the work done by volunteers helps the library make the best use of fiscal resources. The Library's volunteers:

- Assist in implementing programs and services that further library goals and objectives at a level not funded in the regular budget.
- Establish a pool of volunteers to assist with large projects and projects occurring on an intermittent basis, or to provide regular on-going assistance.
- Create a strong link with the community by developing a group of citizens who, through their volunteer work, become knowledgeable about the Library's services and needs.
- Provide meaningful work experiences for people with disabilities, and others.

Volunteers do not replace paid library staff but do provide assistance with various assignments and are expected to act in accordance with library policies and standards for customer service.

### **Definition of Volunteer**

A volunteer shall be considered an individual, 12 years of age or older, that assists with work done at the Waunakee Public Library, without remuneration. Exceptions to the age requirement may be made by the Library Director.

### **Becoming a volunteer**

- Potential volunteers must complete a volunteer application, which is available on our website or at the Library.
- The Library Volunteer Coordinator on staff will interview applicants when there are open positions to fill.
- Volunteers are selected based on their qualifications to meet the demands of open positions.
- If there are no openings, applications will be kept on file for 6 months.
- Volunteers under the age of 18 must have written parental permission, either as a signature on the printed form or in addition to the online form.
- A background check may be conducted.
- Individuals referred by local law-enforcement, social services agencies or schools will follow the same application process as all library volunteers. Supervising staff will make all reasonable efforts to complete necessary documentation of hours worked.

### **Assignment and Training**

- The number and type of volunteer assignments are based on the needs of the library and supervisory time available.
- Volunteer assignments may be adjusted as needs of the library change.
- Volunteers work under the supervision and ongoing support of library staff.

### **Work Rules and Expectations**

Volunteers are expected to follow all policies of the Waunakee Public Library, as well as the following guidelines:

- Personal items must be placed in designated area(s)
- All volunteers must wear a nametag during volunteer hours.
- Please call the library at 608-849-4217 if you will be late or need to miss a shift.
- Please direct patrons to library staff if they ask for assistance.
- Ask a librarian if you have questions about something you've been assigned to do.
- All injuries, minor or serious, must be reported to the Circulation Supervisor, Youth Services Manager, or other available staff member.

Volunteer service at the library is "at-will," and as such, the arrangement may be terminated by the volunteer or the library at any time.

### **Recognition**

The Library appreciates the importance of recognizing volunteers for the work that they do for the Library and community. The Volunteer Coordinator and Library Director will plan recognition events and/or gifts of appreciation annually for our dedicated volunteers. The Library Board approves usage of the 220 Special Revenue Fund for any costs associated with volunteer recognition purposes.

***Proposed April 19, 2024***



# Number of Unique Titles Challenged in the U.S. by Year



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# MORE THAN 100 TITLES WERE CHALLENGED IN 17 DIFFERENT STATES

Colorado

Connecticut

Florida

Idaho

Illinois

Iowa

Kentucky

Maryland

Missouri

North Carolina

Ohio

Pennsylvania

Tennessee

Texas

Utah

Virginia

Wisconsin

April 2024

# Waunakee Public Library

## Children's Programs

## Storytimes

### **Pokemon Club**

Monday, April 1 - 3:30 p.m.

Join fellow Pokémon player to enjoy all things Pokémon. Grades K-4.

### **My First Book Club\***

Tuesday, April 2 - 3:30 p.m.

Join as we snack and read an assortment of books together. Grades K-2.

### **LEGO League**

Wednesday, April 3 - 3:30 p.m.

Join us to freely build your own creation or participate in the monthly LEGO building challenge. Grades K-4.

### **Escape Room: Lost in the Woods\***

Thursday, April 4 - 4:00 & 5:30 p.m.

Oh no, we're lost in the woods! Bring your clue-finding and puzzle-solving skills to make your way through an escape room! Ages 5 & up.

### **Gentle Heart Kids Yoga\***

Saturday, April 6 - 10:00 a.m.

Welcome to "Gentle Heart Yoga," a tender exploration of movement and mindfulness designed for children aged 1 to 5.

### **STEAM Break\***

Wednesday, April 10 - 3:30 p.m.

Join us in building, experimenting and creating. Experiments and activities relate to all things STEAM. For grades 1-4.

### **Young & the Restless**

Saturday, April 13 - 10:00 a.m.

This open play time is an opportunity for kids to be active. Ages 0-5.

### **Running Amok\***

Monday, April 15 - 3:30 p.m.

We will be doing active games to get moving during those winter months. Grades K-4.

### **Kid's Club\***

Wednesday, April 17 - 3:30 p.m.

Join us for a club just for kids! Grades K-3.

### **Kid's Dance Party**

Friday, April 19 - 3:30 p.m.

Come shimmy, shake, and dance up a storm to our favorite songs!

### **Storycrafters**

Saturday, April 20 - 10:00 a.m.

Meet at the library for a story, song, and a craft! This program is recommended for all ages and their caregiver.

### **Maker Monday\***

Monday, April 22 - 3:30 p.m.

Make a fun miniature scene to display among your books. Grades 1-4.

### **Open Art Studio**

Wednesday, April 24 - 3:30 p.m.

Come flex your creative muscles at our Open Art Studio!

### **PAWS to Read\***

Thursday, April 25 - 4:00 p.m.

Come read a story with Dalton, a certified Pet Partners Therapy Dog and Read With Me Program Dog! Grades K-4

### **Little Bodies, Big Feelings**

Friday, April 5 @ 9:45 a.m.

Come play, sing, and read with us about our emotions and healthy ways to address them at our fun storytime for all ages.

### **All Ages Storytime**

Friday, April 12 @ 9:45 a.m.

### **BabyTime**

Wednesdays, April 3, 10, 17, & 24 @ 9:45 a.m.

Ages 0-1.

### **Preschool Storytime**

Tuesdays, April 2, 9, 16, & 23, & 30 @ 9:45 a.m.

Wednesdays, April 3, 10, 17, & 24 @ 10:45 a.m.

Ages 3-5.

### **Tiny Tots**

Tuesdays, April 2, 9, 16, & 23, & 30 @ 10:45 a.m.

Thursdays, April 4, 11, 18, & 25 @ 9:45 a.m.

Ages 1-3 & caregiver.

### **Jammie Jams**

Monday, April 1, 8, 15, 22, & 29 @ 6:30 p.m.

Wear your coziest pajamas and join us in the Library for an evening storytime! All ages.

### **Bilingual Storytime / Hora del Cuento Bilingüe**

Friday, April 26 @ 9:45 a.m.

We will be reading, singing and rhyming in both Spanish and English. For all ages.

## TEEN Programs

### **Preteen Book Club**

Wednesday, April 3 @ 6:30 p.m.

We're reading *Escape! The Story of the Great Houdini* by Sid Fleischman.

### **Crafternoon: Decorate Your Light Switch**

Tuesday, April 9 @ 4:30 p.m.

We'll have colorful tape and paint for you to make your light switch a little more exciting.

### **4th Annual Junk Food Olympics**

Saturday, April 13 @ 2:00 p.m.

Come compete in the 4th Annual Junk Food Olympics!

### **Crafternoon: Book Animals**

Tuesday, April 16 @ 4:30 p.m.

We're going to create some animals - out of old books!

### **TACOS**

Friday, April 19 @ 4:00 p.m.

TACOS members- it's our monthly meeting!

### **Anime Club**

Tuesday, April 23 @ 4:30 p.m.

We'll vote on which anime to watch, craft, and eat snacks..

### **TACOS Presents Make and Create Art Gallery**

Sunday, April 28 @ 1:00 p.m.

Make art during the event and then choose to take it home or display it at the library for two weeks. Grades 1 and up!

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## Adult Programs

### **The Foods, People, and Innovations That Feed Us—A Sweeping History of Food and Culture with Smithsonian Curator Paula J. Johnson - VIRTUAL**

Tuesday, April 2 - 1:00 p.m.

Virtually step into the Smithsonian Institution's National Museum of American History with Curator Paula Johnson as she discusses the book *Smithsonian American Table: The Foods, People, and Innovations That Feed Us*.

### **Writer's Group**

Thursday, April 4 - 1:00 p.m.

Are you looking for a way to simply connect with other local authors and writers? Join the Writer's Group!

### **Survive & Thrive: Tim Decorah's Story**

Thursday, April 4 - 6:30 p.m.

Tim Decorah is a married father of three and a accomplished Waunakee teacher of 32 years. He has been sharing his story since an anxiety disorder threatened to derail his life. Join us as Tim shares his story and offers tips for managing anxiety.

### **Saturday Social**

Saturday, April 6 - 9:00 a.m.

Join us in the den on the first Saturday of the month to meet new people in a warm and welcoming space. There will be complimentary coffee/tea and donuts to enjoy.

### **From Murder to Atonement—Confronting My Son's Killer with Diane Foley & Colum McCann**

Tuesday, April 9 - 1:00 p.m. - VIRTUAL

Join us for a one-of-a-kind conversation with National Book Award-winner Colum McCann as he is joined by Diane Foley, the inspiration behind the heartrending book *American Mother*.

### **Growing Up Farley:**

#### **A Story of Addiction, Love, and Forgiveness**

Tuesday, April 9 - 6:30 p.m.

Tom Farley chronicles his life long journey with his brother, the late actor Chris Farley. Touching on lessons learned from Chris and his struggles with addiction, Tom begins by speaking about his brother's addiction and the affects it had on his family.

### **Hot Topics in Prevention**

Tuesday, April 16 - 1:00 p.m.

Learn from our panel of experts what trends we are seeing in the spaces of alcohol, drugs, and mental health in Waunakee

## BOOK CLUBS

### **Wednesday Night Page Turners**

Wednesday, April 10 - 6:30 p.m.

*The Celebrants* by Steven Rowley



### **Books in the Overlook**

Tuesday, April 16 - 6:30 p.m.

*Yellowface*

by R.F. Kuang



### **The Sustainable Studio**

Tuesday, April 16 - 6:00 p.m.

Join us in making colorful crepe paper flowers. Registration required.

### **A Literary Examination of Power, Love, and Art with Xochitl Gonzalez**

Wednesday, April 17 - 7:00 p.m.

We cannot wait for you to join us as we chat with award-winning and bestselling author Xochitl Gonzalez about her newest novel *Anita de Monte Laughs Last*.

### **A Good Yarn**

Wednesday, April 17 - 10:00 a.m.

Bring your current knitting/crochet project for a social hour with a group of like-minded fiber friends!

### **From Idea to First Draft: A Writing Workshop for Aspiring (Teen) Novelists**

Thursday, April 18 - 6:30 p.m.

Join award-winning YA author, Jamie Pacton, as she walks you through the process of going from idea to outline to first draft.

### **Spring Tea Party**

Sunday, April 21 - 1:00 p.m.

Join us in a spring Tea Party celebration! Light snacks and tea will be served.

### **Mental Health and Suicide Prevention**

Tuesday, April 23 - 6:30 p.m.

Learn from our experts strategies to lead a healthy life & support those around us struggling from mental health challenges.