

July, 2024 Director's Report to Trustees

- **SERVICE AND SERVICE PROMOTION**

Maintain regular and open communications with all governing bodies, boards, librarians and the general public regarding the operations of the Suring Area Public Library.

- The Oconto County Planning Committee continues to have monthly meetings. All 6 Oconto County Librarians attend these monthly meetings. The committee is continuing to revise the Oconto County 5-Year Plan.

Create and implement a wide range of programming for all segments of the population with an emphasis on children, teens, families, and senior citizens.

- Maker Monday (7/8/24) had 9 in attendance. We made feathers out of denim.
- Summer Reading Program is going well. On Wednesday, July 25th, the Alan's will be performing at Veteran's Park at 10 AM. Tom Pease will be performing on Tuesday, July 30th at 2 PM at Veteran's Park. These events are free and open to all. There are 29 adults registered for the adult program.
- Trustee Training Week is coming up. It is 8/19 - 8/23, 2024. The sessions include: Everything You Want to Know About Book Challenges...and a Bit You Probably Don't; Wisconsin Library Law; Making Each Other Look Good: The Library Board and the Library Director; Organization and Governance Best Practices for Boards; Robert's Rules Refresher. I will be showing these sessions in our Learning Center for anyone who would like to come and watch.
- InfoSoup Road Trip is going strong! Right now, we have 13 signed up. Anyone can pick up a booklet that has all 49 InfoSoup Library locations listed. Visit a participating library and do one of the following: check out an item, participate in a program or activity, post a selfie from the library using #LibraryRoadTrip on Facebook, sign up to use a public computer. For every 10 stamps or codes you collect, to to an InfoSoup member library and get an entry form for a chance to win prizes. InfoSoup Road Trip runs through Labor Day weekend. We have had patrons from other libraries stop in to get their booklets stamped.
- We also have our State Park Pass program in progress. The program runs to the end of the year. The pass is good for 1 day at any WI State Parks.

- **ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES**

To nurture the Friends of the Library organization.

- The Friends Annual Bridge Social takes place Sunday, July 28th, from 10 AM – 2 PM. In the event of inclement weather, the Social will be at Veteran's Park under the shelter.
- There are a lot of items for the Friends Book Sale. The Book Sale takes place Thursday – Saturday of Labor Day weekend. The Friends will also have a mini furniture rummage sale at Mae Adams garage (Brook Street) on Friday and Saturday of Labor Day weekend.
- Friends meetings are the 1st Monday of the month at 5 PM.

- **To create and implement a long-term plan for the Suring Area Public Library.**

- There was a Long Range Planning Committee meeting June 3rd. The committee went through the progress that has been made on the goals that were set up. So far, we are doing a pretty good job accomplishing those goals. Just a reminder that the goals are ongoing.

- **COLLECTION MANAGEMENT**

Review collection development options that include both traditional and non-traditional materials.

- The collection is always expanding and changing. We've added Stay Sharp Kits, Playaways, Launchpads, Wonderbooks and more.

Develop and implement a weeding schedule to keep up-to-date with the ever-changing needs/wants of library patrons.

- Weeding of our collection is complete for this year. We still look at items that are on the list that we think may still circulate if we put them on display.

- **FACILITIES MANAGEMENT**

Actively assess the care and maintenance of the library building and grounds as well as evaluate the functionality of the library and recommend and/or make changes as needed.

- The library has created a Building Maintenance Committee.

The Suring Area Public Library connects people with information, ideas, and experiences to provide education and enjoyment.