

May, 2025 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.

- I attended the annual WI Association for Public Libraries conference at the end of April. Some of the breakout sessions I went to were: From Frenemies to BFF's: How to work with Friends and Foundations. The Library as Time Machine: Using Historical Fiction . . . Reflecting on WI Public Library Standards: Reimagining a Stronger Future. Reading the World Around Us: Rocks as Libraries with Dr. Marcia Bjornerud. Why is the Librarian Paid Less Than Everyone Else. Navigating Change with Strength.
- The Village and Library have received the AED and it will be put up on the wall once the foyer is repainted.
- The Village and Library's new copiers will be installed on June 2nd.
- There was an OCLSB (Oconto County Library Services Board) meeting on 5/21/25.

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

- There are 4 entertainers lined up for the 2025 Summer Reading Program: 6/17/25 will be Ron Lindberg's "Bombastic Bubble Show", 6/24/25 is Caleb Strutz and his "Dragon Training Academy", 7/8/25 is Scott Oberman's "Magic World of Color", and 7/15/25 is J & R Aquatic Animal Rescue. These events will take place at Veteran's Park in Suring.
- We have restarted our game day for adults. It is the 2nd Tuesday of the month at 1 PM.
- InfoSoup Library Road Trip begins May 23rd (Memorial Weekend) and runs through September 1st (Labor Day). Participants can pick up a map booklet at any participating InfoSoup library. Visit any of the participating libraries and get your booklet stamped. For every 10 stamps or codes collected, patrons go to an InfoSoup member library and get an entry form to fill out. Drawing takes place September 22, 2025.
- We have our State Park Pass Program going on all year.
- We have started receiving donations from area sponsors for this years' Summer Library Program. The theme is "Color Our World".
- Samantha and I have started discussing the library having a Trivia Night at one of our local establishments.

- **ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES**

To be a liaison between the Friends of the Library organization and the Library.

- The Friends had their annual Rummage Sale. They made around \$7,200.
- The Friends calendar of events is as follows:

Bridge Ice Cream Social & Brat Fry, 7/20/25, 10AM – 2PM
Friends Annual Book Sale, 8/28-8/30

- **To create and implement a long-term plan for the Suring Area Public Library.**
 - The library is working diligently to accomplish goals set forth in the long-term plan.
- **COLLECTION MANAGEMENT**
Review collection development options that include both traditional and non-traditional materials.
 - We continue to add to our Caldecott Award Winner and Honor's collection.
 - "You Decide" titles are being ordered. A form of "Choose Your Own Adventure" books.

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 done. The withdrawn items will be part of our Labor Day Weekend Annual Book Sale.
- **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 roof has been replaced. Paid in full.

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

