

September, 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 Board had their meeting on 9/19 and the new Five Year Library Plan was approved.
- The library once again received the Innovation and Improvement Grant (\$1,800) as well as the Youth Services Grant (\$375) and Library Services Grant (\$508) from Nicolet Federated Library System. We are adding to our Launchpad collection with the funds from these grants as well as purchasing craft supplies toward programming.
- I will be attending the Annual WLA Conference at the KI Center in Green Bay at the end of October, beginning of November.

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 (9/16/24) had 9 in attendance. They colored on disks of wood and we read the book "THE DOT".
- We will be showing the movie "The Fabulous Four" on Monday, October 14th at 5 PM.
- Hook & Knit begins again in September. It is the first and third Wednesday of the month at 2 PM in the library.
- Summer Reading Program for the kids has been completed. The adult program has also ended. Stats: Ages 5-10 years, 16 kids that counted their minutes read; Teens 11-18, 17 completed BINGO sheets; 12 Adults completed BINGO sheets; 146 attended our performers at the park.
- Our State Park Pass program is still in progress. The program runs to the end of the year. The pass is good for 1 day at any WI State Parks.
- Bug Tussel will again be having a class in the Learning Center on Thursday, October 17th at 10 AM, "Video Streaming". Learn the basics of streaming movies and TV shows. The class is FREE.
- The Library was once again chosen to provide "Science In A Bag" kits during the Wisconsin Science Festival which takes place October 14-20. Families can pick up a kit or kits during the festival while supplies last. More info can be found at WiSciFest.org.
- This month is National Library Card Sign-up Month. We have Oops cards, Take and Make Crafts, Trivia and more.

- **ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES**

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

- The Friends Book Sale was a huge success. \$1,200 was taken in which is the most money made at the Book Sale at this point.

- The Friends once again collected school supplies to donate to Suring School and St. John's School in Hayes.
- 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.**
 - 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 are adding Child Fiction Wonderbooks to our collection. We were just adding to our Picture Book collection but decided to also do chapter books. They have been circulating well.
- Develop and implement a weeding schedule to keep up-to-date with the ever-changing needs/wants of library patrons.**
 - We have now decided to weed at least twice a year.
- **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.
 - We will be setting up a meeting between the Village Building and Grounds Committee and the Library Building Maintenance Committee.

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