

March, 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.

- I will be going up to visit the Wabeno Library Wednesday, 3/27 to meet the Director and help her with any questions or concerns she may have.
- Our electronic sign has been giving us problems but we are in the process of ordering parts and will hopefully get it to work yet this week.

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

- The Library has started up an informal exercise get together on Thursdays at 4 PM. We play exercise routines from You Tube whether it be walking in place, walking outside, Yoga or targeting certain areas of the body.
- Maker Monday (3/11/24) had 12 in attendance. Those in attendance created their own painting by following Picasso's technique.
- We have had several people attend Hook & Knit on the 1st & 3rd Wednesday of the month.
- There will be more Bug Tussel programs coming up in June. I will be getting a schedule this week.
- Sam and I have started discussing the Summer Reading Program and some of the things we'd like to do. There are 3 entertainers lined up, and we would like to set up a "Tail Trail" where we would set up pages of a story in local businesses and parents and their kids would go around town reading the story. They would get a card stamped at each business and earn incentives. We will send out sponsor letters the beginning of April.
- The Easter Eggstravaganza that normally takes place outside the Suring Nursing Home took place at school this year and was sponsored by the Library, Friends of the Library and Baking on the 45th Parallel. There were lots of games, Bingo, coloring, cookie decorating and more. The kids were even able to get their picture taken with the Easter Bunny! There were 105 in attendance.
- There is no school on Monday, April 1st so I will be showing the movie "Migration" at 1 PM on that day for the kids.
- The Annual Art Show was a huge success! There were over 140 people in attendance, with refreshments as well. Everyone enjoyed themselves.
- We are having a card making class on Saturday, 4/27 at 10 AM. This is open for all ages.

- **ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES**

To nurture the Friends of the Library organization.

- Chocolate and Cheer will take place April 25 from 6 – 8 pm at Randy's Place Bar and Bowl; Annual Rummage Sale is May 9 – 11 and 16 & 17th; Bridge Social is July 21st on the old Suring Bridge; Annual Book Sale is Labor Day Weekend.

- **To create and implement a long-term plan for the Suring Area Public Library.**
 - Long term planning committees haven't met in a while.

- **COLLECTION MANAGEMENT**
Review collection development options that include both traditional and non-traditional materials.
 - One of our patrons has made a monetary donation to start a Native American collection in our library. I have put in an order for books for the collection.

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 ongoing.

- **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 trim in the library is complete and looks fantastic! Thank you to Sarah School.
 - The library is taking over the flower garden.

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