

The Voice of the Marquette County Libraries

WHAT CAN YOU GET FOR \$5.50 A MONTH?

\$5.50 doesn't go very far these days. It might cover lunch at a fast food restaurant, a couple gallons of gas, a used paperback book, or a video rental. Or it can buy you one month's use of your local library's resources.

Of course, libraries don't charge a monthly fee for a library card and there's no ticket booth at the door. But \$5.50 a month is about what taxpayers in the Winnefox Library System pay for library service. This is based on the amounts levied by cities, villages, towns, and counties for library service and the average home cost in this area.

For that you get direct access to the collections of books, magazines, videos, and other materials in 30 public libraries in five counties and indirect access to materials in libraries around the country through Interlibrary Loan. Through the library's web site you get access to online resources such as Overdrive audiobooks and the Heritage Quest and Auto Repair databases, and research assistance at any time of the day or night through the AskAway reference service.

Libraries offer other benefits to the community as well. The summer programs that most libraries offer encourage children to read and help them retain reading ability over the summer (studies have shown that children who participate in public library summer programs do better in school the next fall). Library meeting rooms give community groups a comfortable place to meet. And libraries are often a repository for local history and genealogy resources.

All in all, libraries are one of the best bargains around. For an insignificant amount you get access to a whole world of literature, information and knowledge.



PACKWAUKEE

Packwaukee Library has had a busy spring with checkouts for books and DVDs/videos increasing. We brought joy to late winter by celebrating Dr. Seuss' birthday with Penny Tolbert, one of our librarians. We ran a contest for guessing the M&Ms in the jar in February. Not only did Russell Garrison get a prize for the closest guess, he got the jar of M&Ms as well.



Russell Garrison



Dustin Garrison
and Penny
Tolbert

Most recently Packwaukee teamed up with UW-Extension and presented an evening program on Slow Cookery. It was well attended and the warm artichoke dip and chocolate fondue were enjoyed by all.

We're looking forward to summer with Summer Literacy Program plans. We appreciate donations from local organizations like Thyme Shares Master Gardeners, Call of the Wild Campground Fun Club, and the Packwaukee Historical Society; as well as many of our patrons. In these hard economic times, our libraries are even more vital and essential.

ENDEAVOR

We had about 60 children participate in our Easter egg hunt. We also had a jellybean counting contest, which was sponsored by Cliff and Mary Sauer. They gave prizes for the nine winners in three age categories. We thank them for their generosity.

Our summer program will begin on Wed., June 25 and conclude on Aug. 5, and will meet on Wednesdays at 1:00 p.m. The theme this year is "Be Creative at Your Library." We will have entertainers on the first and last weeks. The children will have opportunities to be creative by learning dance, making puppets, music, drawing, and writing a story.

Also this summer, we will have our official grand opening of the new Ada Mills Donner and Melvin R. Donner Civic Center, on July 19, during the Endeavor Chicken Broiler Fest. It was one year ago that ground was broken for this wonderful building, including library, community room, and village offices.

WESTFIELD

This Spring, the library offered several programs for various ages. Especially popular was “Myth, Folklore, and Legend: The Video Legacy of Joseph Campbell.” The group was recognized as an official Joseph Campbell Roundtable group. There may be another round table series next fall, so if you are interested, let the library know.

A Twilight Party was held for teens and tweens on the week the DVD was released. Party-goers enjoyed vampire cuisine including dirt cake and red (blood) punch. Top door prizes included a new copy of the book, a CD soundtrack from the movie, and other themed prizes. A Twilight quiz told participants which Twilight character they are most like. Finally, a viewing of the movie was held.

A new adult book club began in March. So far, the group has read *My Antonia* by Willa Cather, *The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Nighttime* by Mark Haddon, and *The Worst Hard Time* by Timothy Egan. There is currently room for one or two more people. Call Margret Fladvid for more information. 296-2254

The Summer Library Program will again offer reading challenges for each age. Sign up for all ages begins June 10. Here is a listing of weekly family programs:

Thursday, June 18: 2-3 PM

Earth, Music... Magic! with Bill Kehl

- Animated, fun-filled and dynamic musical experience designed to be enjoyed by people of all ages.

Wednesday, June 24: 2-3:30 PM (Outside)

Crafts and Games

- Food Art Fun
- Tie Dye a T-Shirt or Handkerchief (If you choose a T-shirt, you must bring your own)
- Team Pictionary on Easels

- Chain Story - each participant adds a new sentence to the story without knowing the full story. Hilarity is sure to ensue.
- Volunteers will be on hand to help you with each of these projects

Wednesday, July 1: 2-3 PM

The Amazing Al

- Thomas Stariha’s magic show features 18 illusions.

Wednesday, July 8: 2-3 PM

“Mystery Animals”

- Live animals will show us how they can help solve mysteries.

Wednesday, July 15: 2-3:30 PM

Create a Kids’ Newspaper

Bring your ideas for this highly creative group project. First, you’ll help decide on a name for the publication. Then, either on your own, or with a team, you will create one or more parts of the newspaper that will be printed up for distribution at the final program on July 29. We will also try to post it on the library’s website.

Wednesday, July 22: 2-3:30 PM (Outside)

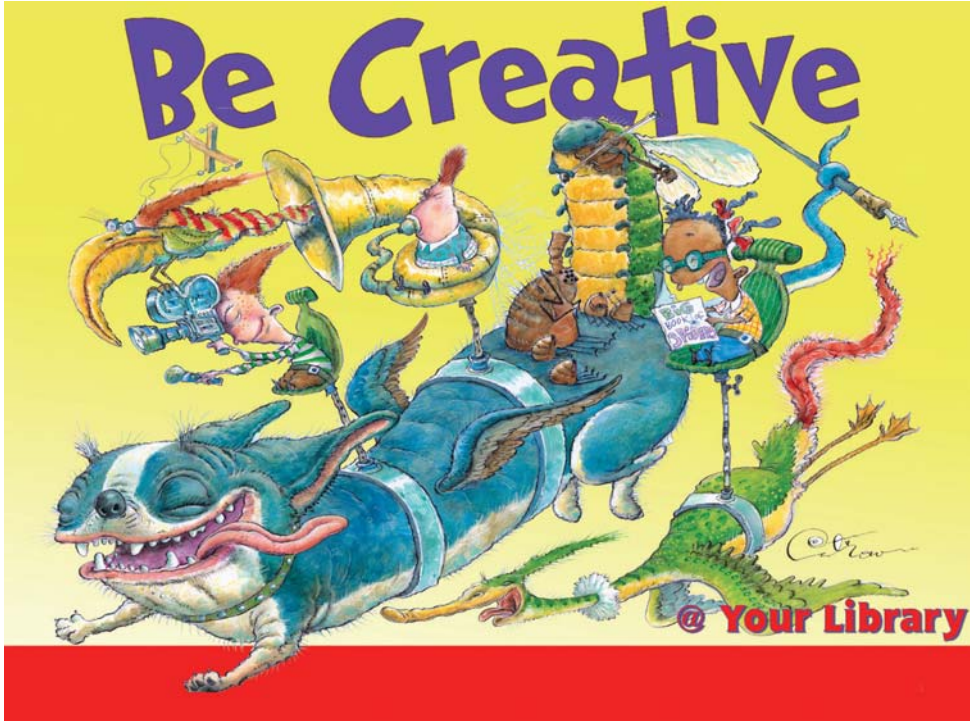
Art with Otella

- Local artist, Otella Brantmier, will coordinate the creation of two community art pieces: A giant painting and a sculpture that each incorporate found objects. Participants are asked to bring objects to embed in the painting and/or sculpture.
- Finger paints and paper (and art smocks) will be available for younger children

Wednesday, July 29: 2-3:30 PM (Outside)

Barter Market Fair & Re-Purposeful Inventions & Art Exhibit

- Re-Purposeful Inventions & Art Exhibit in the community room
- Barter fair in the library’s back yard. What better way to repurpose your stuff than to trade your unwanted items and books for something else?



Marquette County Libraries

ENDEAVOR PUBLIC LIBRARY

400 Church Street Endeavor, WI 53930
608-587-2902

www.endeavorlibrary.org

Monday 10-6
Wednesday 10-6
Thursday 10-6
Friday 12-5
Saturday 10-1

ETHEL EVERHARD MEMORIAL LIBRARY

117 East West Third Westfield, WI 53964
608-296-2544

www.westfieldlibrary.org

Monday 9-6
Tuesday 9-6
Wednesday 9-6
Thursday 9-6
Friday 9-12
Saturday 9-12

MONTELLO PUBLIC LIBRARY

128 Lake Court Montello, WI 53949
608-297-7544

www.montellolibrary.org

Monday 10-7:30
Wednesday 10-5
Thursday 10-7:30
Friday 9-2
Saturday 10-1

NESHKORO PUBLIC LIBRARY

132 South Main Street Neshkoro, WI 54960
920-293-4026

www.neshkorolibrary.org

Monday 9-5
Wednesday 9-5
Friday 12-50

OXFORD PUBLIC LIBRARY

129 South Franklin Ave. Oxford, WI 53952
608-586-4458

www.oxfordlibrary.org

Monday 10-12 & 2-5:30
Tuesday 2-7
Wednesday 2-5:30
Thursday 10-12 & 2-5:30
Friday 2-5:30
Saturday 9-12

PACKWAUKEE PUBLIC LIBRARY

N3511 State St. Packwaukee, WI 53953
608-589-5202

www.packwaukeeelibrary.org

Monday 12-7
Tuesday 12-5
Wednesday 12-5
Thursday 12-7
Friday 12-5
Saturday 10-2

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