

**Lester Public Library
Director's Report
September 2024**

News

- Monday, September 23, I received a phone call from Laura Sauser, Executive Director of the Wisconsin Library Association, notifying me that Terry Ehle, Youth Services Coordinator was selected as 2024 Wisconsin Librarian of the Year. Terry will officially receive the award at the Wisconsin Library Association Annual Conference Awards Ceremony November 7, 2024.
- Article in the Fall 2024, Volume 22/No.3, issue of *Children & Libraries the Journal of the Association for Library Service to Children*, "Practice the Practices, Kids Learn Big in Dramatic Play Areas, by Terry Ehle, Tammy Feuerstein, and Sally Taylor. The entire article is included in the October Packet.
- The library hosted the annual Manitowoc Calumet Library System (MCLS) Battle of the Books. Team Two Rivers came in fourth. Terry Ehle, Youth Services Coordinator emceed the event. At the event, MCLS presented the 2nd Quarter 2024 MCLS Staff Recognition Recipient Award to Terry Ehle, Youth Services Coordinator. There was no better time to give Terry the much-deserved award and recognition than in front of a crowd for one of the many programs she funnels so much work and energy into.
- Friday, September 20, Manitowoc Public Library hosted staff training for library staff across the Manitowoc Calumet Library System. There were two afternoon sessions 1) Best practices for serving neurodivergent patrons and 2) Public library policy under Chapter 43 of Wisconsin State Statutes. Lester Public Library staff in attendance – Mary Massey, Marie Steeber, and Tanya Terp, Customer Service Clerks and Alan Wambold, Reference Assistant.

Library Foundation

The Fall Lester Public Library Foundation Book Sale was a success. The sale brought in \$1537.00. After sales tax, of \$73.19, the total came to \$1463.81, divided by 2 – half going to the Foundation and half going to the library - \$731.91 going to the Foundation and \$731.90 going to the library.

Library Legislation – No Report

Activities

- 09/01/24 – Attended and photographed Kites Over Lake Michigan. This was the 19th and final year for the kite festival.
- 09/03/24 – Lester Public Library Management Team Meeting
- 09/03/24 – Two Rivers City Council Meeting
- 09/04/24 – Lester Public Library hosted the Manitowoc Calumet Library System's annual Battle of the Books

09/05/24 – Two Rivers Business Association Meeting
09/06/24 – Help Desk Shift
09/09/24 through 09/13/24 – Vacation
09/16/24 – Two Rivers City Council Meeting
09/17/24 – Presented to the Two Rivers Rotary Club
09/19/24 – Help Desk Shift
09/20/24 – Help Desk Shift
09/23/24 – Help Desk Shift
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09/25/24 – Manitowoc Calumet Library System Board Meeting, attended online
09/26/24 – Help Desk Shift
09/26/24 – Introduced the Lighthouses of the Great Lakes presentation
09/27/24 – Met with David Pennefeather, President, Lester Public Library Board of Trustees
09/30/24 – Community Health Needs Assessment Interview with Natasha Kahn, Community Health Strategist, Manitowoc County Health Department

Jeff Dawson, Director, Lester Public Library 10/1/2024