Lester Public Library Director's Report February 2024

News

- Princh in our new printing system (replacing PrinterOn). It should work much easier than the old system. Patrons can print with Princh from their own devices, including smartphones, tablets, laptops, and chromebooks. Patrons do not have to download any apps or software; they can simply print by opening a web browser and visiting print.princh.com or scan the QR code found on the various signage being deployed. Using Princh does not require a library account, so new visitors can complete their print jobs without having to create any user accounts or passwords. Princh is committed to our library's and patrons' privacy; for example, the patrons' uploaded documents are not accessible by staff, Princh or any other third party, and they are automatically deleted from the system after 24 hours. The system is live and patrons can start using it immediately, but it will take us a few days to create marketing and handouts and update the website. Chris Hamburg has provided staff training on Princh.
- Tourism Director, Joe Metzen, invited Dawson to record two, two minute segments for the "Two Minutes with Two Rivers Podcast." This is a paid advertising series to promote activities in Two Rivers via WOMT Radio and its affiliates. Dawson recorded the sessions in regards to the World on the Move: 250,000 Years of Human Migration exhibit coming to LPL in March and the segments will be aired during the weeks of March 14 and March 28.
- As of February 29, have live, searchable access to our TR newspapers from 1872 to present. This is the project where we shipped our microfiche for processing. It is available to staff (all city staff computers), through the library's public computers, or to anyone connected to LPL's public Wi-Fi. It is not available off site – exactly like our access to Ancestry.com. Here's the link we are putting on the library's website: https://lesterlibrary.newspapers.com/

Library Foundation – No Report

<u>Library Legislation</u> – No Report

Activities

02/01/24 – Two Rivers Business Association Monthly Meeting

02/01/24 – Introduced Environmental Advisory Board Presentation, 'Strengthening Ecosystems with Native Plants'

02/05/24 - Lester Bentley Committee, moved paintings to City Hall for storage

02/05/24 - Two Rivers City Council Meeting

02/06/24 - Lester Public Library Management Team Meeting

- 02/06/24 World on the Move Library Staff Meeting
- 02/06/24 Educational Horizons Foundation Board Meeting, Two Rivers High School
- 02/08/24 City of Two Rivers Safety Committee Meeting
- 02/09/24 Manitowoc Calumet Library Automated Resource Sharing
 Consortium (LARS) Participants Council Meeting, Chilton Public Library
- 02/09/24 Manitowoc Calumet Library System Directors Meeting, Chilton Public Library
- 02/09/24 Met with Stanley Palmer, President, Lester Public Library Board of Trustees
- 02/13/24 Explore Two Rivers Board Meeting, City Hall
- 02/13/24 Lester Public Library Management Team Meeting
- 02/13/24 World on the Move Library Staff Meeting
- 02/13/24 Lester Public Library Board of Trustees Meeting
- 02/14/24 Lester Public Library All Staff Meeting
- 02/14/24 City of Two Rivers Department Heads Meeting
- 02/19/24 Two Rivers City Council Meeting
- 02/22/24 Introduced "Shipwreck Coast" part of a new programming series partnership with the Friends of Point Beach State Forest
- 02/23/24 Recorded 2 segments for Two Minutes with TR, WOMT Radio ads for the World on the Move exhibit.
- 02/26/24 World on the Move Library Staff Meeting
- 02/29/24 Hosted the City Council work session in the Community Room
- 02/29/24 Introduced "Maritime History of Lake Michigan" part of a new programming series partnership with the Friends of Point Beach State Forest

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