

**Lester Public Library
Director's Report
August 2022**

News

- Ariel Yang, Dementia Care Specialist from the Aging, Disability and Resource Center of the Lakeshore, presented serving patrons with dementia at the library all staff meeting. Ariel presented how to identify patrons with dementia and offered tips on serving them with care and empathy.
- The library re-subscribed to the Green Bay Press Gazette, August 14, 2022. The daily newspaper will update patrons on area news and sports.
- The library will be hosting the First LEGO Robotics League during their season which runs from the end of August through the beginning of November. Our hope is to advertise this incredible STEAM program to our community in order to encourage more youth to participate. Our plan is to partner with the league to provide additional programs utilizing robotics and other STEAM concepts at the library. The "field" is set up down by the fireplace. This is where the team builds the solution to the *problem* they are given for the season. The field is sitting on a table with a skirt. We are setting this up far away from the youth room to minimize touching and mischievous behavior. The field is for looking NOT for touching and displays a sign describing the program along with *no touching*. The team meets 2-3 times per week in the evenings. The team is made up of about six students with adult supervision.
- The HVAC air handling unit for the air conditioner had two coils fail during August. Schaus Mechanical is estimating the repairs to be around \$13,000.
- The summer reading program - TReasure Quest: Shipwrecked Edition - wrapped up Saturday, August 27. 216 individuals on 61 teams followed clues to locations around Two Rivers and tried to unravel puzzles and decipher codes to reach the conclusion. Congratulations to the 17 teams who persevered and were able to open that final lock! And look forward to a whole new Quest next summer.
- Baker & Taylor, where we purchase most of our book, was a victim of ransomware, a form of malware, viral software that effectively shut down their entire operation. From ordering to delivery Baker & Taylor has been shut down starting around August 18. LPL staff will utilize Amazon and Emery Pratt to fill orders on bestsellers and other popular materials until Baker & Taylor is operational.

Library Foundation – No Report

Library Legislation – No Report

Activities

08/02/22 – Attended National Night Out at Walsh Field

08/03/22 – Help Desk Shift

- 08/05/22 – Met with Mike Mathis, Two Rivers Parks and Recreation Director and Terry Ehle, Youth Services Coordinator at Zander Park to discuss the Story Walk grant submission
- 08/09/22 – Lester Public Library Board Meeting
- 08/10/22 – Lester Public Library All Staff Meeting
- 08/10/22 – Attended Tom Pease performance on the library lawn
- 08/11/22 – City of Two Rivers Safety Committee Meeting
- 08/15/22 – through 08/19/22 – Vacation
- 08/22/22 – Met with Mike Mathis, Parks and Rec Director; Terry Ehle, Youth Services Coordinator; and Sally Taylor, Public Relations, to work on the West Foundation Grant.
- 08/23/22 – Lester Public Library Management Team Meeting
- 08/24/22 – Lester Bentley Committee, Two Rivers Historical Society, Meeting, Hamilton Wood Type & Printing Museum
- 08/24/22 – Toured Paul Carleson, President, Lakeshore Technical College, through the library as potential partner for the library's Scholar for Life series.
- 08/25/22 – Provided a library tour for Katie Stone, Lester Public Library Board of Trustees Member approved by City Council
- 08/30/22 – Lester Public Library Management Team Meeting
- 08/30/22 – Met with Brenda Koprowski of the Lester Bentley Committee of the Two Rivers Historical Society
- 08/30/22 – Two Rivers City Council and Staff Toured the Van Der Brohe Arboretum, Two Rivers
- 08/31/22 – City Department Heads Meeting

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