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Need a space to promote your
community organization?

Check out the library's display areas!

Contact Jodi at 608-758-6593 or
jrichards@hedbergpubliclibrary.org.

LIBRARY ART, EXHIBITS & DISPLAYS

DECEMBER

Paintings by Kristin Cunningham

JANUARY

Acrylic & Oil Paintings by Katie Swanson

Paintings by Marcy Bennett

Model Trains by WIS-ILL HO Modular

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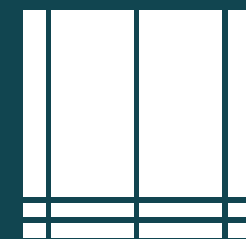
FEBRUARY

Oil & Acrylic Paintings by Sam Van Galder

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LIBRARY MATTERS

HEDBERG PUBLIC LIBRARY

WINTER 2022-2023



TEEN VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

- **Be our mascot!**
- Help us bring Mosi the Giraffe to life at programs and events.
- **Don't want to wear the costume?** You could be Mosi's Zookeeper!
- Stop in or visit our website to fill out a Volunteer Application.




JANESVILLE

Mobilizing 4 Change

Janesville Mobilizing 4 Change is a state-certified prevention agency with a focus on reducing substance use and promoting mental wellness. They have a long and rich history in serving the youth of Janesville, WI and surrounding areas.

Scoopie Sunday
Sunday, December 18, 10:30 a.m.-2 p.m.
Milton Avenue Culvers
A portion of the proceeds will be used to implement youth substance use prevention activities in the community.

Teens are more likely to drink alcohol during the holiday season.

Prevent underage drinking by obtaining a free alcohol lock top or refrigerator lock.

Call 741-2105 to reserve yours.

Supplies are limited.

Learn more about JM4C, including how to become a member of the coalition, by visiting jm4c.org.



MOSI IS BACK
Volunteer to be our mascot at library events!

LIBRARY SYSTEM MERGER
Introducing Prairie Lakes Library System



**HEDBERG
PUBLIC LIBRARY**
Building Community

HedbergPublicLibrary.org

MAIN STREET HOURS

316 South Main Street
Janesville, Wisconsin 53545

Monday - Thursday 9 a.m. - 8 p.m.
Friday & Saturday 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Sunday CLOSED

HPL EXPRESS HOURS

Uptown Janesville • 2500 Milton Avenue
Janesville, Wisconsin 53545

Monday - Saturday 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Sunday CLOSED

LIBRARY CLOSINGS

Saturday, December 24
Monday, December 26
Saturday, December 31; closed at 1 p.m.
Monday, January 2
Tuesday, February 21; open at 12 p.m.

CONTACT US

Information Desk 608-758-6600
Children's Desk 608-758-6585
Questions@HedbergPublicLibrary.org

PROGRAM REMINDERS

Never miss out on a program when you subscribe to receive weekly calendar reminders. Visit our website for details.

MEDIA RELEASE

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Please note: Programs may be filmed by JATV public access.

ON THE COVER

The library's mascot, Mosi, mingles with students at the P4J Fall Festival. Volunteers needed. SEE BACK FOR DETAILS.

A MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR



PRAIRIE LAKES LIBRARY SYSTEM GETS GREEN LIGHT



Hedberg Public Library has been a member of the Arrowhead Library System (ALS) since it was established in 1974.

In Wisconsin, library systems, like ALS, were created to support public libraries with services and resources that work well in a collaborative environment, such as Interlibrary Loan, automation systems (cataloging, circulation, acquisitions), IT assistance, marketing, programming, grant projects, and consulting.

Recently the member libraries in ALS merged their automation system with libraries from the Lakeshores Library System (LLS), becoming part of the SHARE automation system. This merger of the automation systems proved very successful and has given patrons access to a larger collection of items, improved delivery, and reduced costs.

With the successful merger of automation systems, it made sense for the libraries in ALS and LLS to explore merging the systems themselves, creating additional efficiencies, leveraging resources, reducing overhead costs, and strengthening collaborative efforts.

A Joint Merger Committee of ALS and LLS members, which serve Racine, Rock, and Walworth counties, reviewed a proposed merger, found it to be a good idea to move forward with the proposal, and took steps to merge the two systems. Committee members representing all three counties voted in favor of the merger, which creates the Prairie Lakes Library System (PLLS), effective January 1, 2023, replacing ALS and LLS.

"This merger process has been years in the making, really, but the last 10 months have been an intense stretch of research, planning, and collaboration," said Steve Platteter, director of Arrowhead Library System.

Steve Ohs, Administrator of Lakeshores Library System added, "It's tremendously rewarding to see the partnerships we've forged become solidified, the research the exploration committee completed used to inform our communities, and the strategic goals of this merger be embraced so enthusiastically not only by every library in both systems but also by all three counties."

As a patron you shouldn't notice any changes to requesting materials or using your library, but behind the scenes, the efficiencies in merging the systems will likely reduce overhead and administration costs, resulting in additional resources to support library services for all patrons.

We are excited about this change moving forward and look forward to bringing you improved services and resources as a member of the Prairie Lakes Library System.

Bryan J. McCormick

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Library Director



COMMUNITY SERVICES OFFICE HOURS

Stop in to visit with an expert. *No appointment necessary.*

SECOND HARVEST

STUDY ROOM 4
Tuesday, December 13, 2-4 p.m.
Friday, December 23, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

ECHO PATH PROGRAM

STUDY ROOM 5
Tuesdays from 2-4 p.m.
December 13 • January 10
Fridays from 10 a.m.-2 p.m.
December 23 • January 27

LEGAL ACTION OF WISCONSIN*

STUDY ROOM 5
Thursdays from 3-7 p.m.
December 1-29
** for low-income residents facing housing challenges*

ROCK COUNTY ADRC ELDER BENEFITS SPECIALIST

STUDY ROOM 4
Thursdays at 11:30 a.m.
January 19 • February 16

HEDBERG PUBLIC LIBRARY FOUNDATION

We appreciate the generosity of the individuals who gave to the HPL Foundation during July - September. **Interested in supporting your library?** Visit our website to learn all the ways you can give to HPL.

Joann Anderson
Beloit Memorial Hospital
Dr. S.W. Chang
Community Foundation of Southern Wisconsin
G.R. Cope
Gregg and Helen Dickinson
Delores Dilley
Friends of Hedberg Public Library
Nancy Hough
Janesville Noon Lions
Joann G. Rivas Revocable Trust
Katchen Ringelstetter
Rock County 4H Fair

In Memory of:

Kay Harrison
Joan Malin
Teresa Terrill
Arlene Ferguson
John Ringelstetter



THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT

Tell Us Why You Give

We'd love to hear, in your own words, why you choose to give to your library. Use the QR code or visit our website to share your reasons.



"Really love the kindness of the workers. They have a lot of knowledge."
- MARCOS B.

FRIENDS OF HEDBERG PUBLIC LIBRARY

WHO ARE THE FRIENDS OF HPL?

The Friends of HPL are a nonprofit volunteer group that supports the library in many ways. The Friends operate **The Ground Floor** in the lower lobby, selling used books, gifts, snacks, and beverages.

Membership dues and proceeds from the shop and other fundraisers enhance the library and its services.

Memberships start at just \$20.

Use our safe and secure PayPal link online OR fill out our membership form to become a Friend of HPL!

The Ground Floor
shop | eat | drink | read
at Hedberg Public Library

Happiness is a cup of coffee & a good book.

Lucky for you, we have both!



Friends of HPL get 20% off their purchase.

LOVE YOUR LIBRARY? BECOME A FRIEND!



Scan the QR code with your phone's camera to learn more about the Friends of HPL!



MURDER MYSTERY FUNDRAISER CELEBRATES OLD HOLLYWOOD

The Friends of HPL's 13th annual fall fundraiser, A Night at the Library was held on Saturday, October 22 and welcomed more than 70 people as they celebrated Old Hollywood.

Committee chair, Elizabeth Hough, was pleased with the turnout.

"Between the library's renovation and the pandemic, we haven't been able to properly host this event at the library since 2018," she said. "We didn't know what to expect and

Save the Date



An Evening of Jazz with

CHRISTOPHER'S PROJECT

FRIDAY, APRIL 28, 7 P.M.

Hedberg Public Library • 316 South Main Street

Mark your calendars for the HPL Foundation spring fundraiser!

Join us for an An Evening of Jazz with a Milwaukee jazz staple. Led by Saxophonist Christopher Pipkins, Christopher's Project is a 3-time winner at Showtime at the Apollo in NYC, a recipient of The Black Excellence Award in Music, and is currently on the Milwaukee Bucks Entertainment Team.

Tickets available December 1.

Call 608-758-6594 for details.

were grateful to see the continued support for the Friends and for this unique event."

Mary Knudson, the Friends of HPL board president, shared with the crowd how the Friends give back to the library. Her list included the new soon-to-be installed outdoor digital sign that the Friends, along with the HPL Foundation, helped to finance.

Visit the library's Facebook page for photos as well as the 2023 event date and theme!

TEACHERS EXPLORE LIBRARY RESOURCES



On September 13, 2022, HPL invited public, private, and homeschool teachers to explore the variety of services and materials offered by the library.

The successful event welcomed 71 attendees, including 60 School District of Janesville teachers who registered and received Continuing Education credits for their participation.

“Though we were particularly hoping to reach the many new teachers this year in the Janesville School District, we were delighted to find many veteran teachers attended as well,” says Elizabeth Matson, HPL Head of Youth Services.

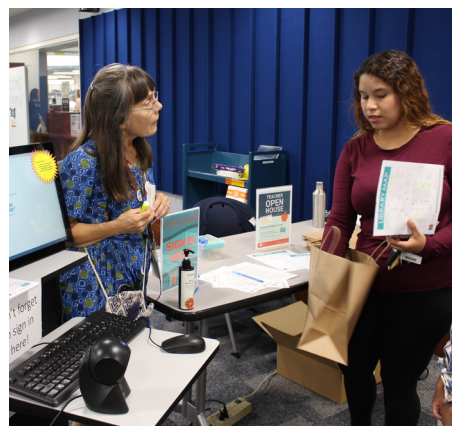
In addition to public, private, and homeschool teachers, all grade levels were represented by attendees; and, 48 new Teacher Loan Cards, which allow longer check-out periods to accommodate a unit or semester of study, were issued.

The event was supported by full library participation across all departments as teachers explored a Technology Petting Zoo, learned about databases and electronic services, and were made aware of the

resources in the Wisconsin and Janesville rooms as well as HPL’s Bookmobile, Spanish language services, Children’s Room, and Teen Central.

A representative from Allies of Native Nations was also on hand to share teacher resources for complying with Wisconsin Act 31.

“Throughout the event, many teachers shared how happy they were that we had the event,” Matson says. “We look forward to offering it again next year.”



Need a Teacher Loan Card?

Any teacher living in or teaching in Rock County is eligible for a Teacher Loan Card. A teacher who lives in Rock County, but teaches somewhere else – or teaches in Rock County and lives somewhere else – is welcome to apply for a card. Homeschool teachers and childcare providers are also eligible.

To apply for a Teacher Loan Card, you’ll need:

- Picture ID and proof of current address.*
- An active email address that is monitored for library alerts.
- Proof of employment at an educational facility (I.D. with name and school, letter from principal/director, etc.), a homeschool state certificate, or a childcare license.

*Out of state residents who work at a Rock County school may be issued a Teacher Loan Card without cost if they first establish a Fee Card at Hedberg Public Library. A Fee Card can be obtained for \$25 per quarter or \$65 per year.

Want to explore Teacher Resources?

Visit our website and click Kids, then Teaching Tools to see what we offer online. Or stop at the Children’s Desk for an in-house tour.

Winter READS

November 25-January 3

Grab a snowflake from our Winter Reads table and tell us your favorite winter read.

for all ages



Check out these cozy, wintry reads recommended by library staff. (PS - they’d also make great holiday gifts!)



Little Women
by Louisa May Alcott

Special Gifts
by Cynthia Rylant

Greenglass House
by Kate Milford

The Barren Grounds
by David A. Robertson

The Lottery More or Less
by Emma Donoghue

Dash and Lily’s Book of Dares
by Rachel Cohn and David Levithan

10 Blind Dates
by Ashley Elston

One by One
by Ruth Ware

Dead Voices
by Katherine Arden

A Boy Called Christmas
by Matt Haig

Miss Claus
by J.R. Hart

Winter Garden
by Kristin Hannah

Want more gift-giving guidance? Chat with our librarians! Stop in or call 608-758-6600.



BOOKMARK CONTEST FOR KIDS

January 28-February 18

CHILDREN’S ROOM

Help us celebrate Library Lovers Month by designing a bookmark that shows your love for the library!

Kids 12 and under can stop at the Children’s Desk to pick up a blank template. Artists may use the medium of their choice. Art submissions must be 2-dimensional and completely dry before submitting.

The winning bookmark designs will be reproduced and distributed to library patrons!



“ I got the help I needed when I needed it the most. ”

-TOMMY L.

HEY TEENS-HELP US BUILD THE TITANIC



January is LEGO® month at HPL!

Drop in to help build a project of historic proportions! The LEGO® Titanic has more than 9000 pieces and is a 1:2000 scale model of the legendary ship.

Monday-Friday, 4 p.m. - Close

January 3-31

TEEN CENTRAL

No registration necessary.

MINDFUL NEW YEAR

Relax & Reflect



Interested in exploring Arabic?

Check out Mango Languages’ selection of Arabic dialects for FREE through our website.

Choose from Egyptian, Iraqi, Levantine, and Modern Standard Arabic (MSA) - plus Specialty Courses like Superstitions and Etiquette!

All you need is a library card to begin!

#LanguageIsAnAdventure

HedbergPublicLibrary.org

December 18
World Arabic Language Day



“ They are very helpful to me. I am 83 years old and they are patient when I can’t figure it out. ”

- GLORIA P.

HPL
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MONDAY
meet-up

STORIES & MORE @ HPL EXPRESS



MONDAYS @ 11 A.M.
DECEMBER 5 - FEBRUARY 27

Start your week off right with fun at the library!

Each meet-up will feature a different story or playtime activity for kids and their caregivers. No registration necessary.

HPL Express @ Uptown Janesville
2500 Milton Avenue • Janesville, WI



STORYTIMES BEGIN
JANUARY 9

Music and Movement
Mondays at 6 p.m.

Babies in the Library
Wednesdays at 9:30 & 10:30 a.m.

Wiggle and Rhyme
Thursdays at 9:30 & 10:30 a.m.*

*An ASL interpreter will be available at 9:30 a.m.

Fridays with Friends
Fridays at 10 a.m.



CELEBRATE THE
WINTER SOLSTICE

Thursday, December 15, 10 a.m.

Join us at the Robert O. Cook Memorial Arboretum StoryWalk™ to enjoy cocoa and cookies provided by the City of Janesville Recreation Division and the book *We Want Snow* by Jamie A. Swenson.

LEARNING
THROUGH PLAY

Saturdays from 9 a.m.-4 p.m.
January 14 & February 25
PROGRAM ROOM

Drop in to explore play stations and activities that help kids express emotions, build relationships, and master difficult situations. Discover how you can duplicate the stations at home! An adult caregiver must accompany children. Families welcome. No registration necessary.



WORLD READ
ALoud DAY

Wednesday, February 1, 4-6 p.m.
FIREPLACE ROOM

Join millions around the globe as we celebrate the power of reading aloud with World Read Aloud Day (WRAD), held annually on the first Wednesday of every February!

Drop in and hear our Community Readers share some of their favorite stories as we fill the library with readers and listeners!



CELEBRATE
THE YEAR OF
THE RABBIT



LUNAR NEW YEAR
CELEBRATION

Saturday, February 4, 2-4 p.m.
PROGRAM ROOM

in partnership with the School District of Janesville's Chinese Language Program

We are pleased to welcome the Zhong Yi Kung Fu Association of Madison back to the library for a traditional lion dance presentation. Learn about the traditions of this 15-day holiday celebrated around the world and try some traditional snacks.



LIBRARY OF THINGS

HEDBERG PUBLIC LIBRARY

Why buy when you can borrow?

Hedberg Public Library is unveiling a new collection! **The Library of Things** goes beyond books, movies, and music to offer items that can be used for many different things.

From helpful tools for DIY projects, to fun gadgets for creative minds, The Library of Things has something for every library card holder.

"It's a great way to try something out," explained Claire Kinder, HPL's Innovation Librarian. "Whether it is a one-time project that needs a specific item or you want to see if something is worth buying yourself, this new collection offers an opportunity to explore all kinds of gadgets."

Stop into the library beginning January 1 to browse the display or visit our website for a full list of available items. Patrons can also search the library's SHARE catalog under "Library of Things" to place a hold on items or stop by the checkout desk for assistance.

The Library of Things items may be checked out for three weeks at a time. Age restrictions may apply.

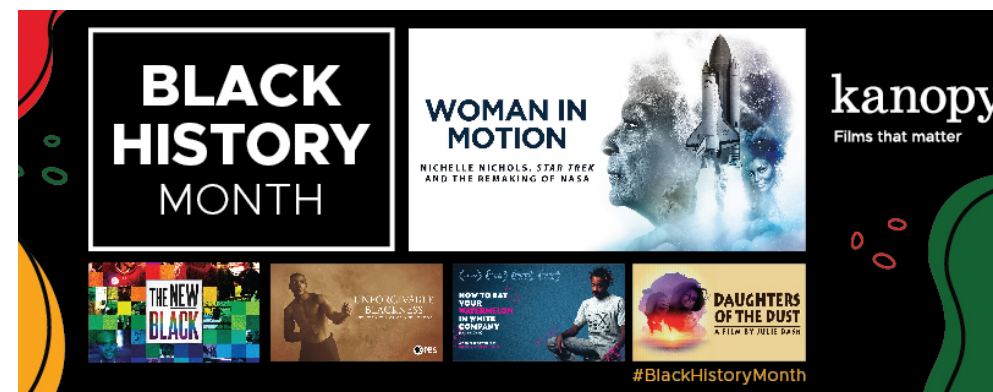
hedbergpubliclibrary.org/things



CELEBRATE BLACK HISTORY
MONTH WITH KANOPY

This featured collection pulls together movies and documentary films that capture a broad scope of black history in the United States and beyond.

Watch free with your library card! Visit our website to get started.



LOCAL
NON-PROFIT
USES LIBRARY
TO HELP TRAIN
THERAPY DOGS

Scott Lindner leads the Southern Wisconsin Canine Therapy Dog Association (SWCTDA), a non-profit designed to provide comfort and care through the use of therapy dogs. Scott, a retired sheriff, and his wife, Tina, are dedicated to training therapy dogs to work with kids, veterans, and anyone else who would benefit from interaction with a four-legged friend. Therapy dog handlers believe that their trained and certified dogs can and do make a difference in any situation which they may be called to assist.

SWCTDA trains a variety of dog breeds which have assisted school-aged children with reading disabilities, comforted persons after the loss of a loved one, and provided joy to domestic abuse shelters, support groups, churches, and school functions. Prior to certification as a therapy animal, each dog and handler go through four phases of training: basic obedience, canine good citizen, environmental obedience, and therapy dog. These training sessions are held at multiple locations to expose the dog and handler to the various types of facilities they may visit. The training is concluded with a final exam prior to receiving certification.

Recently, the Lindners made use of Hedberg Public Library's inviting space and welcoming patrons as an exercise for some therapy pups-in-training. Using a public space like the library allows the dogs to become familiar with the many distractions and noises that are present in an environment and build upon the socialization skills and basic commands learned. With their handlers, the four-legged students work on skills like approaching people without jumping, sitting politely during petting, accepting a friendly stranger, and not barking.

To learn more, contact the SWCTDA at 608-235-9619.