Join the Lakeview Public Library’s Friends Book Sale this Saturday! From 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., you’ll find a vast selection of books, CDs, DVDs, puzzles, and toys, all priced to sell. The sale will be located at the library, and proceeds will support the library’s programs and services. Don’t miss out on this opportunity to support your local library and find great deals on books and more!
Library Receives $105,500 in Annual Fund Grants

Madison Public Library Foundation disbursed $105,500 in grants to Madison Public Library this spring for technology, professional development, events and other projects that enhance the library’s service to its patrons.

Technology, $25,000
Funds will be used to purchase technology that can be used across several programs that may not require development of their own, saving the library money on hardware and software.

Professional Development, $25,000
More staff will be able to participate in professional development activities as result of the increased funds.

Collections, $23,000
The library will expand collections family culture materials. The library is a public space where people come to share knowledge and inspire one another. We support the library in its role to plan for and support the community in its role to create.

Program Venture Fund, Stipend: $9,500
The Program Venture Fund will work with a small number of community members to support projects that will help staff and the community.

Community-Driven Book Kit, $2,000
Gifts to the Community-Driven Book Kit fund will support innovative technology and software.

Donations may also be mailed to the foundation office. Donations to One Book at a Time. Simply go to www.mplfoundation.org and fill out our order form soon to reserve your sponsorship. Of the amount is tax-deductible. Only 64 racks are available, so fill out our order form soon to reserve your sponsorship.

Building Kids’ Literacy One Book at a Time

“Do you know what I like about a library?” asked Shanna Wolf. “I like that they allow us to access good books in lots of different formats.” Shanna Wolf is the Foundation’s Communications and Engagement Coordinator. “I like that the library is surrounded by so much greenery that you can’t help but feel lifted as you walk in.”

Throughout the month of April, the foundation organized a number of events centered around the theme of literacy. The events were designed to connect the community with the library, to highlight the library as a place that provides access to literacy resources, and to celebrate what the library means to people.

Win a Rack, Look Like a Rock Star: Looking for a special way to usher in the new Pinney Library? Rack Racing is the foundation’s community-outreach event. We are calling on Madison’s rock stars to create public art installations on metal U-shaped bike racks and submit them to a theme. There is a special category for teachers/government officials who want to work on this project, so it can be used at the school or library. The artwork will be painted on a metal U-shaped bike rack. The art must be ready for installation. At the conclusion of the event, the art will be auctioned off.

Dare to Dream 2020. Visit events@mplfoundation.org or call 608.266.6318.

Whole Foods Bag Refunds Total $3,178
Whole Foods Market Madison selected Madison Public Library for their monthly community-inspired grants. See our Facebook page for how to receive the donations which happen every month with the purchase of a bag from Whole Foods.

Whole Foods is a partner in the “Rack Rackin’” event. Whole Foods will donate $1 for every whole foods bag that you purchase. The funds will be shared with Madison Public Library. The goal of the event is to raise $10,000 in a month. So far, $3,178 has been raised.

How Can You Help? The foundation encourages donations of One Book at a Time. Literacy library staff can tell you how much a given book costs. A new hardback book can cost over $25, while a paperback might go for more than $10. An older book could cost just $5.

The library requires to be completed and open to the public in 2020. How long have you worked at the library, and what is your role? I became a Library Page a little over a year ago. My role is to uplift people and bring a smile to their face. What are some of the most interesting jobs you’ve had before working at the library in Madison? About a year ago, I conducted a study abroad in Thailand to learn about traditional Thai massage. In September, I had the pleasure of helping at the Madison Public Library’s 150th anniversary.

What do you like to read? I enjoy a variety of genres. From mystery to science fiction, I enjoy reading whatever catches my interest. What’s your favorite library book? I do not have a favorite library book, as I enjoy reading whatever catches my interest. What’s your favorite book? I do not have a favorite book, as I enjoy reading whatever catches my interest. What’s on your bucket list? It has been an aspiration of mine to travel the world and see as many countries as possible. I would love to visit the United States, France, Spain and Japan. Would you like to see the Northern Lights? I wish I could see the Northern Lights, but I’m not as familiar with them as I would like to be.

Short Story: Meet Library Page Mai Neng Thao
Tell us about your job.
I like being an alimentation processor. I am very good with people and enjoy helping them find what they need.

Tell us about your favorite library book.
I do not have a favorite library book, as I enjoy reading whatever catches my interest.

What are some of the most interesting jobs you’ve had before working at the library in Madison?
I recently completed a summer internship with a company over food.

How long have you worked at the library, and what is your role?
I have worked at the library for about a year.

What’s your favorite library book?
I do not have a favorite library book, as I enjoy reading whatever catches my interest.

What’s on your bucket list?
It has been an aspiration of mine to travel the world and see as many countries as possible. I would love to visit the United States, France, Spain and Japan.

Would you like to see the Northern Lights?
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How do you spend your leisure time outside of your job and library work?
I like spending time with my family and friends. I enjoy cooking and spending time with my nieces and nephews. I also enjoy spending time with my dog, Kilo.

What do you want people to know about yourself?
I want people to know that I am always willing to help and that I am always open to learning new things.

How do you like to be contacted?
I like to be contacted through email or text message.

My email address is mai.neng.thao@mpl.org.

How do you like to be called?
I am called Mai Neng Thao.

What do you like about your job?
I like being a Library Page because it allows me to help others and learn new things.

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Volunteers sought: Help our main source information about the Capitoline Campaign in the New Pinney Library and Rack Raising by volunteering at community events this summer. Fill out volunteering forms at the drive-up sign up.

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**What a Little about Me:** I am a child of Librarian immigrants. Traveling and exploring outside the city are what make me what I am. I feel enriched by my own Hmong heritage, but it might as well be. It’s important to be kind to ourselves. I became a Library Page a little over a year ago. I held an education position where I got to teach Hmong literacy for a summer youth program. This summers ago, I held an education position where I got to teach children about traditional Thai massage. In September, I had the pleasure of seeing Rupi Kaur present her series of poems. It was magical and beautiful. About a year ago, I conducted a study abroad in Thailand to learn about injustice, with World War II veteran Elliott Stiehl as the epicenter of the story. I am a lifelong learner. Lately I’ve been into nonfiction. I am a lifelong learner.

**Tell us a little about yourself.**

**What are some of the most interesting jobs you’ve had before working at the library?**

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**What's the best thing that has happened to you this year?**

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The Hobbit

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**Four Madison Book Festival Events in May, June and July:**

Three Wisconsin Book Festival Events in May, June and July: Includes books and one special history Matt to the events. Wisconsin Book Festival events over the next month, including the 2019 Wisconsin Historical League Leadership Program for the 2019-20 season that will kick off in late June in Madison. All four will be held in central Madison at the Madison Club.

**May 22, 2019: A Good American Family.**

**June 8, 2019: What's the Right Answer?**

**Saturday, June 8, 2019:**

**Friday, June 14, 2019:**

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**Join Our Festival Membership Program:**

If you’re a frequent Wisconsin Book Festival attendee and Madison Public Library family member who is a festival membership level, you can attend two events for the price of one. For a gift of $50 or more, receive two invitations to a free lecture that will be announced in early summer. For a gift of $150 or more, receive two invitations to a variety of events, including a special VIP experience. For a gift of $250 or more, receive two invitations to a variety of events, including a special VIP experience. For a gift of $500 or more, receive two invitations to a variety of events, including a special VIP experience. For a gift of $1000 or more, receive two invitations to a variety of events, including a special VIP experience. For a gift of $2500 or more, receive two invitations to a variety of events, including a special VIP experience.

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**Lawton, Weatherby-Flowers Honored**

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**Festival Earns Prestigious Grant for Award-Winning Author Events**

The Wisconsin Book Festival earned its first-ever grant from the National Endowment for the Arts (NEA) on May 15. The $2,000 grant, part of the organization’s Art Works (Connect) program, will support the festival’s efforts to host award-winning author programming. The festival aims to attract a diverse field of authors, poets and spoken word artists to Madison, but to promote its capacity to foster and sustain community engagement at the festival. Learn more at wisconsinbookfestival.org. Art Works is NEA’s Art Endowment’s largest category, which supports projects that demonstrate artistic excellence and are likely to engage communities by providing a range of arts education experiences to the general public. The festival earned $2,000 for its capacity to foster and sustain community engagement at the festival. Learn more at wisconsinbookfestival.org. Art Works is NEA’s Art Endowment’s largest category, which supports projects that demonstrate artistic excellence and are likely to engage communities by providing a range of arts education experiences to the general public. The festival earned $2,000 for its capacity to foster and sustain community engagement at the festival. Learn more at wisconsinbookfestival.org. Art Works is NEA’s Art Endowment’s largest category, which supports projects that demonstrate artistic excellence and are likely to engage communities by providing a range of arts education experiences to the general public. The festival earned $2,000 for its capacity to foster and sustain community engagement at the festival. Learn more at wisconsinbookfestival.org. Art Works is NEA’s Art Endowment’s largest category, which supports projects that demonstrate artistic excellence and are likely to engage communities by providing a range of arts education experiences to the general public. The festival earned $2,000 for its capacity to foster and sustain community engagement at the festival. Learn more at wisconsinbookfestival.org.
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Join Our Festival Membership Program

If you’re a frequent Wisconsin Book Festival visitor or a lover of library reading material, you may be a Festival member who reads, learns and enjoys a VIP experience. For a gift of $50 or more, members receive an invitation to a festival luncheon, opportunity to meet the author before signing or to set up a direct deposit festival, and the opportunity to renew your membership. All members will also receive a free ticket to the Festival’s free author programs.

Estate & Tax Workshops

A pre-sale for members of the Library’s Estate & Tax Workshops application available on sale at the library.

Friends of the Library Book Sale

On Tuesday, June 25, October 8 and December 4, the Friends of the Library will host their annual book sales from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Bag sale all morning Saturday — members only. Memberships can be purchased at the door. Bag sale all morning Saturday — $5 to fill a grocery bag. CDs, DVDs, and audio books will be on sale. Choose from books, CDs and DVDs. Bag sale on select items at 1 p.m. The proceeds from these sales benefit the Library’s services and programs. All sales are final.

Save the Date for Ex Libris III

Our favorite food and drinks event — Ex Libris III — will take place Friday, November 8, from 5-9 p.m. Admission is $30 per person // $55 per couple // $100 per couple. This year’s theme is “Essence to Edible.” The Athens East Inn and Ex Libris will be serving up your favorite game day food alongside cold beer samples provided by the state’s best brewers. Tickets can be purchased at the door. For more information, visit wisconsinbookfestival.org/give.

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