# GRAND RAPIDS AREA LIBRARY BOARD Grand Rapids Area Library <br> December 12, 2018 5:00 P.M. <br> DRAFT 

5:00 Call to order
5:01 Roll call: absent Kee,
5:02 Public Comment (if anyone wishes to address the Board)
5:05 A. Approval of agenda (Packet Item A)
5:10 B. Minutes. (Packet Item B)
5:12 C. Communications
Report to Council (written)
Report to Council (powerpoint slide)
5:15 D. Financial Report (Packet Items D1-) .) Roll Call Vote Required
Approve Financial reports and payment of bills as listed
5:20 E. Staff Reports (Packet Items E_)
5:25 F. Old Business:
5:30 G. New Business:
Consent Agenda: (Any item on the consent agenda will be pulled from the consent agenda and moved to the regular agenda on request of any board member or member of the public.) Roll Call Vote Required.

1. Approve payment of late bills
$\$ 9.00$ to Peterson's Nelnet for short payment
2. Approve Contracts and payment to presenters (none)
3. Approve Resolution 2018-14 Accepting Donations
a. $\$ 250$ from Nick and Nancy Eltgroth Fund - undesignated
b. Subscription to "Western Horseman" from the Itasca Sunset Saddle Club
c. 890.60 Friends of the Library for children's prize books and toddler program materials
d. $\$ 100$ from Leah White undesignated

## Regular agenda

Report: personnel committee

## 6:00 Adjourn

## Grand Rapids Area Library Regular Board Meeting November 14, 2018

Call to Order: The monthly board meeting was called to order at 5:00. by Dennis Jerome.

## Roll Call:

Members Present: Max Peters, Lisa Tabbert, Susan Zeige, Shannon Benolken, Deborah Kee, Richard Thouin, Dennis Jerome

Members Absent: Jean MacDonell, Randy McCarty
Staff Present: Director Marcia Anderson

## Public Comment:

Agenda: A motion was made Richard Thouin by to approve the agenda as amended. A second was made by Lisa Tabbert. The motion was passed unanimously.

Minutes: Max Peters made a motion to approve minutes from the October 2018 board meeting. A second was made by Richard Thouin. The motion was passed unanimously.

Communications: Letter to Council - Resignation
$3^{\text {rd }}$ Quarter report from MN Foundation

Financial Report: A motion was made to approve financial reports and payment of bills as listed by Susan Zeige. A second was made by Max Peters. On a roll call vote the motion was passed unanimously.

ALPHA PUBLIC LIBRARY BILL LIST - NOVEMBER 14, 2018

| DATE: 11/07/2018 CITY OF GRAND RAPIDS |  |  | PAGE: |
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| TIME: 15:54 | :31 VENDOR SUMMAR | RT |  |
| ID: AP442000.WOW |  |  |  |
| INVOICES DUE ON/BEFORE 11/14/2018 |  |  |  |
| VENDOR \# NAME FISCAL YEAR AMOUNT DUE |  |  |  |
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| 0113233 AMERIPRIDE SERVICES INC 4 , 560.68 8 58 |  |  |  |
| 0118345 ARIDAN BOOKS INC 0.00 120.00 |  |  |  |
| 0118660 ARROWHEAD LIBRARY SYSTEM 1, 120.96 |  |  |  |
| 0201428 BAKER \& TAYLOR LLC 34.862 .17 3,229.09 |  |  |  |
| 0212124 BLACKSTONE PUBLISHING $2,371.92$ 50.00 |  |  |  |
| 0221700 BUSY BEES QUALITY CLNG SVC INC 19,630.75 1,700.00 |  |  |  |
| 0315455 COLE HARDWARE INC 8, 8,237.01 15.94 |  |  |  |
| 0405223 DEER RIVER HIRED HANDS INC 990.00 150.00 |  |  |  |
| 0605191 FIDELITY SECURITY LIFE INS CO 789.9814 |  |  |  |
| 0701650 GARTNER REFRIGERATION CO 34.016 .89 2,634.24 |  |  |  |
| 0718015 GRAND RAPIDS CITY PAYROLL 5,494,647.66 39,701.58 |  |  |  |
| 0718060 GRAND RAPIDS HERALD REVIEW 12,552.29 60.00 |  |  |  |
| 0805524 BONNIE HENRIKSEN 6 6,690.00 |  |  |  |
| 1015331 JOHNSONS LOCK \& SAFE 330.00 85.00 |  |  |  |
| 1205850 LEXIS NEXIS 2223.10 |  |  |  |
| 1209516 LINCOLN NATIONAL LIFE 78.00 |  |  |  |
| 1301146 MARCO TECHNOLOGIES, LLC 300.67 |  |  |  |
| 1309107 UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA 200.00 |  |  |  |
| 1309199 MINNESOTA ENERGY RESOURCES 29,880.82 |  |  |  |
| 1309335 MINNESOTA REVENUE 49.812 .89 54.85 |  |  |  |
| 1405725 NETWORK SERVICE COMPANY 142.94 |  |  |  |
| 1405850 NEXTERA COMMUNICATIONS LLC 81.14 |  |  |  |
| 1415377 NORTHERN BUSINESS PRODUCTS INC 799.81 |  |  |  |
| 1516220 OPERATING ENGINEERS LOCAL \#49 1,031,563.00 11,216.00 |  |  |  |
| 1601750 PAUL BUNYAN COMMUNICATIONS 5 5,727.62 488.80 |  |  |  |
| 1605665 PERSONNEL DYNAMICS LLC 11.963 .37 720.12 |  |  |  |
| 1605735 PETERSON'S A NELNET CO 100.03 |  |  |  |
| 1621130 P.U.C. 262.847 .79 3,074.82 |  |  |  |
| 1901435 SALEM PRESS 1236.81 |  |  |  |
| 1915248 SOFTWARE HARDWARE INTEGRATION 184.00 |  |  |  |
| 2018680 TRU NORTH ELECTRIC LLC 13,996.31 163.25 |  |  |  |
| 2114356 UNIQUE MANAGEMENT SERVICES 161.10 |  |  |  |
| 2114750 UNUM LIFE INSURANCE CO OF AMER 20.50 |  |  |  |
| 2205637 VERIZON WIRELESS 34.836 .67 164.84 |  |  |  |
| 2209665 VISA 67,834.21 625.28 |  |  |  |
| 2301700 WASTE MANAGEMENT OF MN INC 295.52 |  |  |  |
| $\begin{array}{llrl}2315643 & \text { WORLD BOOK DIRECT MARKETING } & 0.00 & 699.00 \\ \text { TOO1198 } & \text { GERALD N SANDVICK } & 200.00\end{array}$ |  |  |  |
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| TOTAL ALI VENDORS: 75.173 .18 |  |  |  |

Staff Report: The Gratitude Graffiti project is up and doing very well. The teen space is still being researched, the Library Foundation is interested in supporting this project. Many class visits were held in October.

## Old Business:

Budget: Over budget for electricity. Predicted to be under natural gas budget in the upcoming months.

## New Business:

Consent Agenda: Deborah Kee made a motion to approve the consent agenda, a second was made by Shannon Benolken. On a roll call vote the motion was passed unanimously.

## 1. Approve payment of late bills <br> Tech Logic \$400 for software license for self-check

(note: this will come out of 2019 budget)
2. Approve Contracts and payment to presenters

Betsy Whirley for Artastic Programs $\$ 875$
3. Approve Resolution 2018-12 Accepting Donations
$\$ 150$ from Grand Rapids Area Library Foundation books in memory of Bob
Urista (small business or golf)
$\$ 10$ from Randy and Kathy McCarty for books memory of Bob Urista (small business or golf)
$\$ 150$ from Friends of the Library for recycling pickup

## Regular Agenda:

1. Approve fine/fee waivers for children, teens and adults. Nov 15-30, 2018
a. Shannon Benolken moved to approve the proposal as presented. A second was made by Richard Thouin. The motion passed unanimously.
2. Accept resignation of Library Director Marcia Anderson effective Feb $\mathbf{9}^{\text {th }}, 2019$
a. Shannon Benolken moved to accept the resignation as submitted. A second was made by Deborah Kee. The motion passed unanimously.

## 3. Committee Report

a. Personnel committee of Lisa, Randy, Jean and Max will continue to be involved in the process. DJ will be backup if someone cannot participate.
b. Proposed timeline for hiring process:
4. November 13, 2018 Present "Request for Council Action" (RCA) to the City Council requesting to accept Marcia's notice of retirement, amend job description (if necessary), and post position.
5. November 14, 2018 Library Board to acknowledge Marcia's notice of retirement at monthly board meeting.
6. November 14, 2018 - December 7, 2018 Post job opening
7. December 10, 2018 - December 14, 2018 Review and rank applications/schedule interviews
8. December 17, 2018 - December 20, 2018 Interviews
9. December 21, 2018 - January 1, 2019 City Administrator out of office/Holidays/etc.
10. January 2, 2018 - January 4, 2019 Contingent offer of employment (subject to Library Board and City Council approval)
11. January 8, 2019 Library Board approves recommendation from Personnel Committee - makes recommendation to City Council
12. January 14, 2019 RCA to City Council appointing Director of Library Services
13. January 15, 2019 Applicant gives official notice to existing employer
14. February 1, 2019 - February 19, 2019 First day of employment (depending on notice requirement)
15. February 18, $2019 \quad$ President's Day Holiday

Adjourn: The monthly board meeting was adjourned at 5:25 p.m. by Dennis Jerome.

Our summer and fall have been filled with programs and activities. The Library continues to focus on the goals identified in our strategic plan, and on creating a welcoming place for our community. We are gearing up for the summer, which is our busiest time.

## Strategic Plan Implementation Update

The Library Board, Library staff and representatives from the Friends of the Library, the Library Foundation and the Library's volunteer Program Committee gathered input from the community and developed a revised strategic plan for 2017-2020.
Service Priority \# 1: Parents will feel supported in preparing their preschoolers for learning success, and primary students will develop a love of reading and learning.

- Saturday Story Times continued through the summer thanks to the generosity of the Library Foundation. This summer and fall the attendance ranged from 10-70 each Saturday, split between 2 sessions. We are the only Library in the area that is open on Saturdays during the summer, so we continue to draw families from throughout Itasca County. We continued a Monday Book Time during the summer beginning during June and July.
- We have seen many class visits this fall, including 13 during October, and a few more are scheduled in November and December. Several Southwest and Murphy $3^{\text {rd }}$ and $4^{\text {th }}$ grade classes have been walking or taking the bus to the Library regularly, and we have had many visits from area preschools, Head Start classes and kindergarten classes.
- Our Summer Reading Program Reading Takes You Everywhere kicked off on May 19 with an opportunity to create a summer travel journal. More than 992 children signed up to participate for the summer. We did a special non-fiction reading challenge during August, and 80 kids read at least 3 non-fiction books during the month.
- Our Winter Reading program, Curl Up With A Good Book, kicks off on Saturday, December 15 with a creative program led by the Creativity Tank.
- Lego Club was popular during the summer when we hosted 6 Lego programs during June and July. They continue Tuesdays after school monthly throughout the school year, attracting between 20 and 50 participants each session. Young designers create a small or large item based on a theme (or not) and leave them on display in the children's section during the month.
- We added several new regular summer programs, including a kids book group, toddler sensory programs, and 4-H programs.
- Summer programming for kids also included programs funded by the Arrowhead Library System and programs funded by the Arts and Culture fund, including Jugglers and Magicians, plays and musicians!
- We collaborated with KAXE to provide monthly children's movies in the tent.
- We continue to offer additional after-school programming thanks to the Library Foundation. Each month we will have an art program in addition to a regular Lego program.

Service Priority \# 2: Individuals will be supported in their personal search for knowledge and development of skills and careers.

- Summer and fall Programs for adults included practical and informative programs such as Mountain Biking, Snowshoeing, Bird Banding, World War II shipbuilding
- We began hosting an ad-hoc writers' group this summer, providing space and a starting question for each monthly meeting. We have seen 6-10 enthusiastic participants at each meeting, with writing styles across the spectrum from fiction to memoirs. We are also hosting writing and publishing workshops in response to requests from writers.
- We were a distribution point for carrot seed packets as part of the One Vegetable, One Community project. We sponsored a cooking class at the end of the summer, with carrots as a feature.


## Service Priority \#3: Individuals will have access to online resources that connect them to their community and the world

- Our public computers continue to be used often by people taking online classes, those doing homework for local classes, those taking exams for professional licensure, as well as those with daily needs such as email access and a myriad of other communication and printing needs.
- The majority of our public computers were replaced this fall.
- Our public wireless network is in constant use by people bringing their own devices for work, study or communication.

Service Priority \#4: Individuals will enjoy varied options that enrich their leisure time, broaden their world view, and inspire their creativity.

- Legacy-Funded Programs: We have hosted several programs arranged by Arrowhead Regional Library System including music children's theater and jewelry making:
- Inspiring Creativity: We partnered with KAXE to host Jeremy Messersmith, one of the Center Stage Minnesota musicians. Thanks to Mr Messersmith and the Arts and Culture Heritage Fund, we now have 6 ukuleles that will be available for check out within the next few weeks.
- Alternate Formats are very popular: Circulation of downloadable eBooks and audio books is high. Our patrons downloaded a over 25,000 during the past year. There are more than 7,000 audiobook titles and 13,000 eBook titles available to all holders of an ALS library card. All of these are available through our web site.
- Downloadable magazines are back: There are over 100 magazines available electronically through RB Digital. Find the icon on the Library's web site.
- The Teen Anime Club continues, bringing teens together monthly to watch an anime movie and talk about anime and manga. For teens, summer break provided a window of opportunity to enjoy reading for pleasure, so we offered a teen summer reading program. Summer activities for teens included a photo contest.
- We received a grant from the Northland Foundation to develop and facilitate a series of conversations designed to encourage retirees or almost-retirees to examine and discuss their paths to joy, purpose and life satisfaction during retirement. The first 4-part series included 4 pairs of attendees, and they were enthusiastic about the opportunity to discuss their futures. There will be another series in Grand Rapids in April.
- We continue to offer fishing rods and PFDs for checkout. We had 35 checkouts of items this summer.
- We are one of the Bicycle Stations in town, where people can sign out a bike for use around town.

Service Priority \#5: Individuals and organizations will experience a comfortable, safe, quiet and welcoming place.

- Our large meeting room is heavily utilized by organizations large and small - an average of 50/month.
- Our quiet study rooms are used by individuals seeking a quiet space to work or study or a space for 2 people to meet and work.
- Our tables and study rooms provide spaces for working on group projects, popular with school and college students and people meeting for work or organization-related purposes.
- We always have a jigsaw puzzle laid out on a table with an open invitation to sit and relax.
- We will continue to take advantage of the space around the library by using it for children's and adult programs. We expanded our popular outdoor yoga programs this summer by offering 6 sessions in June, July and August.


## Building and grounds: repairs and upgrades

- We received a matching Library Construction and Accessibility Grant from the MN Depart of Education to make modifications that will improve accessibility in the building. Construction was completed in August to replace interior doors with larger doors to accommodate larger wheelchairs and mobility devices..
- The facilities management crew installed a wall in the Riverview Room at the end of the Library. It creates 2 spaces that are better for smaller groups. An automatic door opener was installed on one door to make it very accessible. We just installed an adjustable-height table and are waiting for new movable chairs to make it friendlier to wheelchairs.


## Passports

Our passport service continues. We anticipate a total of more than 1100 applications for the year. 8 staff are authorized Passport Acceptance Agents, and just completed the annual refresher training.

The Library continues to be very busy, with many people attending programs, borrowing materials, using computers, asking for information, or just hanging out!


\#2 Supporting learning and skill development:

Recent Learning Opportunities:

- Dementia and Persistence of Self
- SnowshoeTrails in Itasca County
- WWII Shipbuilding in the Twin Ports
- Banding Birds
- Mountain Biking
- Mineral Exploration in Minnesota

- Online Research Databases
- Live Online Homework Help
- Live Online Resume Help
- Test Preparation \& practice
- Exam Proctoring
- Public Computers available
- New Computers
- WiFi access (upgraded)


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\# 4 Enriching Leisure Time and Broadening World View

Partnering with Reif Center for Indies on Tuesdays:
Legacy Funded Programs:
Music, Memoir Writing, history
Journey to South America
Coming up:

- Hosting Green Card Voices Exhibit in December
- Jigsaw Puzzle Competition




## Volunteers are great! <br> Grangramen

- In October 41 volunteers contributed 316 hours
- YTD total for 10 months is 3026 hours
- Volunteers prepared for the annual used book sale to be held during Tall Timber Days and

Holiday Boutique sale on Nov 2nd



| CITY OF GRAND RAPIDS |  |  |  |  |
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| GRAND RAPIDS AREA LIBRARY |  |  |  |  |
| SCHEDULE OF CHANGES IN REVENUE, EXPENDITURES, AND FUND BALANCE FOR THE ELEVEN MONTHS ENDING NOVEMBER 30, 2018 With Comparative Totals for November 30, 2017 |  |  |  |  |
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|  | $\begin{gathered} 2017 \\ \text { Actual } \end{gathered}$ | $\because 2018 \quad \therefore$ | $2018$ Budget | of Budget |
| Fund Balance 1/1/XX: |  |  |  |  |
| Cash Flow | 414,074 | $\because 429,619$ | 429,619 |  |
| Compensated Absences | 39,670 | $\because 40 ; 117$. | 40,717 |  |
| Emergency/unanticipated Expenditures | 29,916 | $\because 44,574$ | 44,574 |  |
| Major Equipment Replacement | - |  | - |  |
| TOTAL FUND BALANCE 1/1/XX | 483,660 | $\bigcirc 514910$ | 514,910 |  |
| Revenues: |  |  |  |  |
| Taxes | 619,513 | $\because 401 ; 315$ | 702,687 | 57\% |
| Intergovernmental | 95,082 | $\because 77714$ | 133,282 | 58\% |
| Charges for Services | 35,978 | $\because \because 6645$ | 32,100 | 145\% |
| Fines \& Forfeits | 11,600 | $\because \because+794$ | 11,000 | 98\% |
| Blandin Foundation Grant | - | $\because \because \because \because$ | - | 0\% |
| GR Library Foundation | 20,939 | $\because \because 9 ; 275$ | 4,000 | 232\% |
| Miscellaneous | 14,127 | $\because \because 42,947$ | 13,800 | 311\% |
| Other Sources-Insurance Recovery | 3,057 |  | - | 0\% |
| Other Sources (Fund Balance Usage) | - |  | - | 0\% |
| TOTAL REVENUES | 800,297 | $\because 588 ; 690$ | 896,869 | 66\% |
| Expenditures: |  |  |  |  |
| Personnel | 528,280 | $\therefore 593 ; 999$ | 656,469 | 90\% |
| Supplies/Materials | 76,584 | $\because 91,798$ | 96,300 | 95\% |
| Other Services/Charges | 167,869 | $\because 25 \cdot 51$. | 144,100 | 87\% |
| GRACF Library Foundation | - |  | - | 0\% |
| Blandin Grant | - |  | - | 0\% |
| TOTAL EXPENDITURES | 772,733 | 811,309 | 896,869 | 90\% |
| OPERATING SURPLUS (DEFICIT) | 27,564 | $\because(222,619)$ | - |  |
| GR Libary Foundation Capital Grant | - |  | - |  |
| Capital Outlay | - | 20;041 | - |  |
| Fund Balance 11/30/XX |  |  |  |  |
| Cash Flow | 441,638 | $\therefore 886959$ | 429,619 |  |
| Compensated Absences | 39,670 | $\because 40 ; 717$. | 40,717 |  |
| Emergency/unanticipated Expenditures | 29,916 | $\because 44,574$ | 44,574 |  |
| Major Equipment Replacement | - | $\because \because$ | - |  |
| TOTAL FUND BALANCE 11/30/XX | \$ 511,224 | \$.272;250 | \$514,910 |  |

The Grand Rapids Public Library Endowment Fund of Minnesota Foundation has a balance of $\$ 35,090$ as of $9 / 30 / 18$. This endowment is not available for current operations.

## CITY OF GRAND RAPIDS

GRAND RAPIDS AREA LIBRARY REVENUE \& EXPENDITURES YEAR TO DATE THROUGH NOVEMBER 30, 2018

| Account Number | Account Description |  | 2018 Budget |  | Year to Date | Percent of Budget |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 211-00-31-00-0100 | CURRENT | \$ | 702,687 | \$ | 343,346 | 49\% |
| 211-00-31-00-0200 | DELINQUENT |  | - |  | 3,962 | 0\% |
| 211-00-31-00-4055 | FISCAL DISPARITIES |  | - |  | 54,008 | 0\% |
| 211-00-33-00-6300 | LIBRARY CONTRACTS |  | 128,000 |  | 77,714 | 61\% |
| 211-00-33-00-6310 | ALS REIMBURSEMENT |  | 5,282 |  | - | 0\% |
| 211-00-34-00-7960 | ALS CROSS-OVERS |  | - |  | 5,282 | 0\% |
| 211-00-34-00-7970 | PHOTO COPIES |  | 1,900 |  | 2,895 | 152\% |
| 211-00-34-00-7975 | INTERNET |  | 3,200 |  | 3,203 | 100\% |
| 211-00-34-00-7980 | LIBRARY FEES-PROCTORING |  | 600 |  | 540 | 90\% |
| 211-00-34-00-7982 | PASSPORT PROCESSING FEE |  | 26,000 |  | 33,631 | 129\% |
| 211-00-34-00-7990 | FAX MACHINE USE |  | 400 |  | 1,094 | 273\% |
| 211-00-35-00-1030 | LIBRARY FINES |  | 11,000 |  | 10,794 | 98\% |
| 211-00-37-00-2310 | DONATIONS |  | 1,500 |  | 27,788 | 1853\% |
| 211-00-37-00-2320 | DONATIONS-MEMORIAL BOOKS |  | 1,000 |  | 985 | 99\% |
| 211-00-37-00-2336 | DONATIONS-CHILDRENS LIBRARY |  | 1,000 |  | 1,181 | 118\% |
| 211-00-37-00-2337 | DONATION-LIBRARY PROGRAMS |  | 200 |  | - | 0\% |
| 211-00-37-00-2365 | ENDOWMENT FUND INCOME |  | 1,300 |  | 1,314 | 101\% |
| 211-00-37-00-2367 | GRAND RAPIDS LIBRARY FOUNDATIN |  | 4,000 |  | 9,276 | 232\% |
| 211-00-37-00-2368 | DONATIONS-ADA PROJECT |  |  |  | 4,000 | 0\% |
| 211-00-37-00-2375 | MEETING ROOM RECEIPTS |  | 4,000 |  | 3,816 | 95\% |
| 211-00-37-00-2450 | MISCELLANEOUS |  | 2,000 |  | 1,567 | 78\% |
| 211-00-37-00-2455 | ENERGY REBATES |  | - |  | 450 | 0\% |
| 211-00-37-00-5100 | INVESTMENT INCOME |  | 2,800 |  | 1,846 | 66\% |
|  |  |  | 896,869 |  | 588,690 | 66\% |
| 211-00-39-00-5500 | FUND BALANCE USAGE |  | - |  | - | 0\% |
| 211-00-75-00-7200 | OPERATING TRANSFER OUT |  | - |  | - | 0\% |
| 211-00-75-10-1010 | SALARY-FULL TIME |  | 419,062 |  | 379,537 | 91\% |
| 211-00-75-10-1030 | SALARY-PARTTIME |  | 23,538 |  | 22,724 | 97\% |
| 211-00-75-10-1050 | CONTRACTED SERVICES |  | 11,504 |  | 7,236 | 63\% |
| 211-00-75-10-1210 | PERA |  | 33,195 |  | 29,772 | 90\% |
| 211-00-75-10-1220 | FICA |  | 27,441 |  | 24,651 | 90\% |
| 211-00-75-10-1250 | MEDICARE |  | 6,418 |  | 5,765 | 90\% |
| 211-00-75-10-1310 | HEALTH INSURANCE |  | 132,480 |  | 122,144 | 92\% |
| 211-00-75-10-1330 | LIFE INSURANCE |  | 221 |  | 219 | 99\% |
| 211-00-75-10-1510 | WORKERS COMPENSATION |  | 2,610 |  | 1,952 | 75\% |
| 211-00-75-20-2010 | OFFICE SUPPLIES |  | 7,000 |  | 7,661 | 109\% |
| 211-00-75-20-2020 | COPY SUPPLIES |  | 1,000 |  | 2,328 | 233\% |
| 211-00-75-20-2030 | PRINTING/BINDING |  | 900 |  | 726 | 81\% |
| 211-00-75-20-2060 | COMPUTER SUPPLIES |  | 2,600 |  | 4,532 | 174\% |
| 211-00-75-20-2070 | COMPUTER INVENTORY |  | 2,500 |  | 2,696 | 108\% |
| 211-00-75-20-2075 | ASSETS BETWEEN \$700-\$4999 |  | 14,000 |  | 10,804 | 77\% |
| 211-00-75-20-2090 | INVENTORIAL SUPPLIES |  | 1,000 |  | 2,034 | 203\% |
| 211-00-75-20-2095 | VOLUNTEER PRGM SUP \& MATERIALS |  | 400 |  | 663 | 166\% |
| 211-00-75-20-2100 | OPERATING SUPPLIES |  | 2,000 |  | 1,229 | 61\% |
| 211-00-75-20-2110 | BOOKS |  | 44,000 |  | 40,014 | 91\% |
| 211-00-75-20-2120 | AUDIONISUAL |  | 9,000 |  | 7,328 | 81\% |
| 211-00-75-20-2130 | NEWSPAPERS |  | 1,400 |  | 2,525 | 180\% |
| 211-00-75-20-2140 | PERIODICALS |  | 8,000 |  | 6,275 | 78\% |
| 211-00-75-20-2150 | MAINTENANCE TOOLS/SUPPLIES |  | 2,500 |  | 2,985 | 119\% |
| 211-00-75-30-3000 | PROFESSIONAL SERVICES |  | - |  | 7,085 | 0\% |
| 211-00-75-30-3010 | ACCOUNTING SERVICES |  | 900 |  | 1,100 | 122\% |
| 211-00-75-30-3070 | LAUNDRY |  | 650 |  | 652 | 100\% |
| 211-00-75-30-3090 | JANITORIAL SERVICES |  | 20,400 |  | 18,700 | 92\% |
| 211-00-75-30-3100 | OTHER CONTRACTED SERVICES |  | 6,000 |  | 11,758 | 196\% |

CITY OF GRAND RAPIDS
GRAND RAPIDS AREA LIBRARY REVENUE \& EXPENDITURES
YEAR TO DATE THROUGH NOVEMBER 30, 2018

| Account Number | Account Description | 2018 Budget | Year to Date | Percent of Budget |
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| 211-00-75-30-3210 | TELEPHONE | 7,200 | 4,778 | 66\% |
| 211-00-75-30-3220 | POSTAGE/FREIGHT | 2,500 | 2,645 | 106\% |
| 211-00-75-30-3230 | SEMINAR/MEETINGS/SCHOOL | 500 | 458 | 92\% |
| 211-00-75-30-3255 | STAFF TRAINING | 500 | - | 0\% |
| 211-00-75-30-3260 | COMMUNITY ED PROMOTION | 300 | 295 | 98\% |
| 211-00-75-30-3300 | PROFESSIONAL SERV-COLLECTIONS | 2,000 | 1,495 | 75\% |
| 211-00-75-30-3510 | PUBLISHING \& ADVERTISING | 300 | 1,101 | 367\% |
| 211-00-75-30-3610 | GENERAL INSURANCE | 9,000 | 8,261 | 92\% |
| 211-00-75-30-3810 | ELECTRICITY | 28,000 | 28,652 | 102\% |
| 211-00-75-30-3840 | GARBAGE REMOVAL | 3,600 | 3,819 | 106\% |
| 211-00-75-30-3860 | HEAT-NATURAL GAS | 4,000 | 2,071 | 52\% |
| 211-00-75-30-4000 | MAINTENANCE CONTRACTS | 7,000 | 9,460 | 135\% |
| 211-00-75-30-4010 | BUILDING MAINT/REPAIRS | 15,000 | 15,697 | 105\% |
| 211-00-75-30-4015 | GROUNDS MAINTENANCE | 1,000 | 1,312 | 131\% |
| 211-00-75-30-4020 | COMPUTER MAINT/REPAIR | 9,000 | 574 | 6\% |
| 211-00-75-30-4030 | ONLINE SERVICES | 3,000 | 2,564 | 85\% |
| 211-00-75-30-4070 | GENERAL EQUIP MAINT/REPAIR | 7,000 | 2,642 | 38\% |
| 211-00-75-30-4100 | EQUIPMENT LEASES | 800 | 335 | 42\% |
| 211-00-75-30-4300 | MISCELLANEOUS | 50 | - | 0\% |
| 211-00-75-30-4330 | DUES \& SUBCRIPTIONS | 300 | 30 | 10\% |
| 211-00-75-30-4545 | INTERLIBRARY LOAN CHARGES | 100 | 28 | 28\% |
| 211-00-75-30-4900 | TRANSFER TO RESERVE | 15,000 | - | 0\% |
| 211-00-75-50-5900 | BUILDING/BLDG IMPROV | - | 20,041 | 0\% |
|  | TOTAL EXPENDITURES | 896,869 | 831,350 | 93\% |
|  | SURPLUS REVENUES/(EXPENDITURES) | - | $(242,660)$ |  |

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CITY OF GRAND RAPIDS
DEPARTMENT SUMMARY REPORT

INVOICES DUE ON/BEFORE 12/12/2018
VENDOR \# NAME
AMOUNT DUE
PUBLIC LIBRARY
0113100
AMAZON.COM
487.62

0113233
0118660
0201428
0212124
0221700
0315455
0405500
0502705
0609525
0718010
0718060
0914800
1015331
1301145
AMERIPRIDE SERVICES INC
ARROWHEAD LIBRARY SYSTEM
57.16
96.50

BAKER \& TAYLOR LLC
BLACKSTONE PUBLISHING
2,418.80
BUSY BEES QUALITY CLNG SVC INC 1,700.00
COLE HARDWARE INC 57.96
DEMCO INC
719.62

EBSCO SUBSCRIPTION SERVICE 7,470.56
FINDAWAY WORLD LLC 341.95
CITY OF GRAND RAPIDS
7,600.00
GRAND RAPIDS HERALD REVIEW
575.00

INVEST EARLY PROJECT
JOHNSONS LOCK \& SAFE
1,600.00
MARCO TECHNOLOGIES, LLC
1401650 NARDINI FIRE EQUIPMENT CO INC
1405725
1415377
1605665
1903225
1903340
2114356
NETWORK SERVICE COMPANY
NORTHERN BUSINESS PRODUCTS INC
82.50
571.43
, 624.70

PERSONNEL DYNAMICS LLC
197.61

SCENIC RANGE NEWS FORUM
358.24

SVL SERVICE CORPORATION
436.15

UNIQUE MANAGEMENT SERVICES
206.25
170.05

TOTAL UNPAID TO BE APPROVED IN THE SUM OF: $\$ 26,847.10$

CHECKS ISSUED-PRIOR APPROVAL
PRIOR APPROVAL
0718015 GRAND RAPIDS CITY PAYROLL
39,731.72
39.00

1209516 LINCOLN NATIONAL LIFE
120.43

1301146 MARCO TECHNOLOGIES, LLC
101.63

1309199 MINNESOTA ENERGY RESOURCES
1309335 MINNESOTA REVENUE
1405850 NEXTERA COMMUNICATIONS LLC
1516220 OPERATING ENGINEERS LOCAL \#49
1601750 PAUL BUNYAN COMMUNICATIONS
P.U.C.

2005150 TECH LOGIC CORPORATION
2114750 UNUM LIFE INSURANCE CO OF AMER
2205637 VERIZON WIRELESS
2209665 VISA
2301700 WASTE MANAGEMENT OF MN INC
2308300
T000090
BETSY WHIRLEY
KATHRYN S VOGL
81.71

11,216.00
244.40

2,700.30
400.00
20.50
112.98
393.69
293.41
125.00
488.33

TOTAL PRIOR APPROVAL ALLOWED IN THE SUM OF: \$ 56,125.88









## Directors Report

## December 2018

## Agenda Items

## Communications:

Department Head report
I gave my Department head report to the City Council on November 26. The written report is in your packet, as is a printed version of the powerpoint presentation I gave. I highlighted summer programming and things coming up for winter. There were commendations from Council members, and no questions. Britta did a detailed report for Sunday's Herald Review. (My report was the only item on the agenda that evening.) The story was topped with a picture of a book group and their donation of a lovely picture book display shelf for the Children's area. Great PR for the Library!

## Fine/fee waivers

"We're Thankful for You! Fine \& Fee-Free Initiative" November 15-30. The goal was to reduce barriers to library use and encourage lifelong learning. Staff report that patrons were very happy. There were several Facebook posts, and that brought in some people who had not been in the library for a while, and they were happy to clear their cards.

We checked in evelything (children, teen and adult material) in with no fines accruing. Lost items returned had no fine or fee accrued. We waived $\$ 2833.91$ in fines and fees during the month. We took in about $\$ 450$ less than we did in October.

Last year we waived fines and fees on children's and Young Adult materials for the entire month of October. Fine revenue was reduced by about $\$ 500$ for the month.

FYI: The budgeted revenue for fines for 2018 is $\$ 11,000$, and YTD through November revenue is $\$ 10,794$.

## Community Read

The Program committee has discussed a theme for the community read for next year, but has not settled on a title yet. The proposed theme is connecting with the natural world and getting outside and learning and moving. In addition to one common title, a list of related books, DVDs, CDs, magazines would be created.

## Green Card Voices

Green Card Voices of Central Minnesota will be displayed from December 13-January 8.

## Programs

The jigsaw puzzle competition scheduled for $12 / 27$ is booked solid with a waiting list.

## Monthly Report - Cash Management for Nov 2018

Locations on this report: Grand Rapids Area Library

Cash Transaction Summary

Description

| ----------------- | ------- | -------- | ---- |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Moneys Collected | 647.44 | 1113.49 | -42 |
| Moneys Refunded | 16.14 | 5.85 | 175 |
| ----- | ------- | ------- | ---- |
| Total | 631.30 | 1107.64 | -44 |

Total

Nov 2018 Oct 2018 \%chg
631.3

Nov 2017 \%chg

| -------- | --- |
| ---: | ---: |
| 1136.79 | -44 |
| 0.26 | 6107 |
| -------- | ---- |
| 1136.53 | -45 |

2018 YTD 2017 YTD \%chg

| -------- | ------- | ---- |
| ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 12300.91 | 14570.79 | -16 |
| 156.53 | 138.32 | 13 |
| ------ | ------ | --- |
| 12144.38 | 14432.47 | -16 |

## Non-Cash Transaction Summary

| Description | Nov 2018 | Oct 2018 | $\% \mathrm{chg}$ |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| --------------- | ------- | -------- | ---- |
| Moneys Levied | 908.39 | 2040.25 | -56 |
| Moneys Waived | 2833.91 | 1145.08 | 147 |
| Moneys Credited | 1197.23 | 1144.06 | 4 |
| ----- | -------- | ------- | ---- |
| Total | -3122.75 | -248.89 | 1154 |

Nov 2017 \%chg

| ------- | --- |
| ---: | ---: |
| 1599.39 | -44 |
| 881.77 | 221 |
| 1182.10 | 1 |
| ------- | --- |
| -464.48 | 572 |

2018 YTD 2017 YTD \%chg

| -------- | -------- | ---- |
| :--- | :--- | ---: |
| 17409.45 | 17990.68 | -4 |
| 11962.98 | 12196.61 | -2 |
| 12315.86 | 15821.81 | -23 |
| ------- | -------- | --- |
| -6869.39 | -10027.74 | -32 |

Moneys Collected by Fee Type

| Jescription | Nov 2018 | Oct 2018 | \%chg | Nov 2017 | \% chg | 2018 YTD | 2017 YTD | \%chg |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Adjustment debit, | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0 |
| Balancing Entry | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0 |
| Deleted block amo | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0 |
| Card Fee | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0 |
| Rental Fee | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0 |
| Damaged | 0.00 | 5.00 | $-100$ | 36.99 | -100 | 36.24 | 87.96 | -59 |
| Debt Collection | 40.00 | 40.85 | -3 | 73.20 | -46 | 547.65 | 639.76 | -15 |
| Fees | 30.75 | 8.00 | 284 | 0.00 | 100 | 205.00 | 353.24 | -42 |
| Fine | 333.10 | 794.50 | -59 | 830.66 | -60 | 8894.09 | 10400.73 | -15 |
| Hold Fill Fee | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0 |
| Lost | 205.893 | 176.95 | 16 | (152.91) | 34 | 1939.32 | 2299.91 | -16 |
| Lost Processing F | 37.70 | 88.19 | -58 | 43.03 | -13 | 678.61 | 789.19 | -15 |
| Lost Recall | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0 |
| Request Charges | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0 |
| Renewal Fee | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0 |
| Total | 647.44 | 1113.49 | -42 | 1136.79 | -44 | 12300.91 | 14570.79 | -16 |
| Moneys Refunded by Fee Type |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Description | Nov 2018 | Oct 2018 | \%chg | Nov 2017 | \% chg | 2018 YTD | 2017 YTD | \%chg |
| ddjustment debit, | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0 |
| Balancing Entry | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0 |


| Deleted block amo | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Card Fee | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0 |
| Rental Fee | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0 |
| Damaged | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0 |
| Debt Collection | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0 |
| Fees | 0.00 | 0.25 | -100 | 0.26 | -100 | 5.85 | 14.41 | -60 |
| Fine | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0 |
| Hold Fill Fee | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0 |
| Lost | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0 |
| Lost Processing F | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0 |
| Lost Recall | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0 |
| Request Charges | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0 |
| Renewal Fee | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0 |
| Total | 0.00 | 0.25 | -100 | 0.26 | -100 | 5.85 | 14.41 | -60 |

## Moneys Levied by Fee Type

| Description | Nov 2018 | Oct 2018 | \%chg |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Adjustment debit, | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0 |
| Balancing Entry | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0 |
| Deleted block amo | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0 |
| Card Fee | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0 |
| Rental Fee | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0 |
| Damaged | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0 |
| Debt Collection | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0 |
| Fees | 20.75 | 51.50 | -60 |
| Fine | 844.70 | 1734.80 | -52 |
| Hold Fill Fee | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0 |
| Lost | 27.94 | 203.95 | -87 |
| ost Processing F | 15.00 | 50.00 | -70 |
| Lost Recall | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0 |
| Request Charges | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0 |
| Renewal Fee | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0 |
| Total | 908.39 | 2040.25 | -56 |

Nov 2017 \%chg

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| 20.00 | -100 |
| 0.00 | 0 |
| 0.00 | 100 |
| 1394.50 | -40 |
| 0.00 | 0 |
| 134.89 | -80 |
| 50.00 | -70 |
| 0.00 | 0 |
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| 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 39.95 | 25.00 |
| 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 277.01 | 35.78 |
| 15678.74 | 16672.54 |
| 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 1051.75 | 947.36 |
| 362.00 | 310.00 |
| 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 0.00 | 0.00 |
| 0.00 | 0.00 |

## Moneys Waived by Fee Type

Description

| Adjustment debit, | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Balancing Entry | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0 |
| Deleted block amo | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0 |
| Card Fee | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0 |
| Rental Fee | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0 |
| Damaged | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0 |
| Debt Collection | 120.00 | 20.00 | 500 |
| Fees | 53.00 | 17.50 | 202 |
| Fine | 1993.33 | - 0.65 | 393 |
| Hold Fill Fee | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0 |
| Lost | 115.78 | 328.12 | -65 |
| Lost Processing F | 551.80 | 375.81 | 46 |
| Lost Recall | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0 |
| Request Charges | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0 |
| enewal Fee | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0 |

Nov 2017 \%chg

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| 0.00 | 0 |
| 0.00 | 0 |
| 0.00 | 0 |
| 0.00 | 0 |
| 50.00 | 140 |
| 0.00 | 100 |
| 439.80 | 353 |
| 0.00 | 0 |
| 0.00 | 100 |
| 391.97 | 40 |
| 0.00 | 0 |
| 0.00 | 0 |
| 0.00 | 0 |

2018 YTD 2017 YTD \%chg

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| 0.00 | 0.00 | 0 |
| 0.00 | 0.00 | 0 |
| 0.00 | 0.00 | 0 |
| 0.00 | 0.00 | 0 |
| 0.00 | 100.00 | -100 |
| 420.00 | 669.95 | -38 |
| 140.88 | 124.50 | 13 |
| 6105.20 | 5821.37 | 4 |
| 0.00 | 0.00 | 0 |
| 1178.59 | 580.34 | 103 |
| 4118.31 | 4900.45 | -16 |
| 0.00 | 0.00 | 0 |
| 0.00 | 0.00 | 0 |
| 0.00 | 0.00 | 0 |

## Moneys Credited by Fee Type

| Description | Nov 2018 | Oct 2018 | \% chg | Nov 2017 | \% chg | 2018 YTD | 2017 YTD | \% chg |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Adjustment debit, | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0 |
| Balancing Entry | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0 |
| Deleted block amo | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0 |
| Card Fee | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0 |
| Rental Fee | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0 |
| Damaged | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0 |
| Debt Collection | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0 |
| Fees | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0 |
| Fine | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0 |
| Hold Fill Fee | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0 |
| Lost | 1197.23 | 1144.06 | 4 | 1182.10 | 1 | 12315.86 | 15821.81 | -23 |
| Lost Processing F | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0 |
| Lost Recall | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0 |
| Request Charges | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0 |
| Renewal Fee | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0 |
| Total | 1197.23 | 1144.06 | 4 | 1182.10 | 1 | 12315.86 | 15821.81 | -23 |

# Assistant Director Report 

December 2018

## Teens

## Teen Advisory Board

Tuesday, November 27, 2018
Members present: Lucas B. and Katie S.
We talked about winter reading. I showed the number of participants for the last 3 years. They decided to change from keeping track of the number of pages read to having teens keep track of the number of books read. They will ask local businesses for donations for prizes. They also suggested using big, bright posters to advertise winter reading.

They had some ideas for other programs for teens, which include:
Study group, book club, having food at programs, English group

There were 8 participants in teen room drawing. Rana N. won.

The last day of school for students before the holiday break is December 21. I will have a gingerbread house-making program for teens. One of the Teen Advisory Board members shot a short video advertising the program, which will be shown at the high school on December 19!

## Operations

Bonnie H . has been volunteering to change the display case monthly and she changed it out for December. The theme is the Nutcracker. She put a flyer on the glass to advertise the Reif's Nutcracker performances and there is a flyer now advertising the Nutcracker story time at the library.

In November the library was a Gratitude Graffiti stop. We put up a poster with the G.G. logo and patrons could write what they were grateful for on a Post-It note and place it on the poster. There were 128 Post-Its put on the poster. This year the table with the writing implements and Post-Its was low so there were many young people who participated, which was cool!

The Friends of the Library met last week. They decided on an annual meeting date of June 5, 2019. They applied for a grant through the Community Foundation and the grant was awarded.

The library has had a Facebook page for many years. We have used it to advertise our programs. Now, in addition, once a week Nicole is posting about things happening in the library. For instance, there was a post for the November fine forgiveness, which people saw and came to inquire about.

| CIRCULATION | THIS MONTH | YTD | YTD 2017 |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Check-outs | 10,339 | 125,217 | 129,066 |  |  |  |
| Total Circulation | 12,301 | 144,791 | 149,155 |  |  |  |
| Returns | 12,734 | 144,527 | 148,871 |  |  |  |
| New cards | 77 | 1,190 | 1,178 |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | Door count | Saturdays |
| TECHNICAL PROCESSES | THIS MONTH | YTD | YTD 2017 |  | 9494 | 430 |
| Books cataloged and processed | 685 | 7,030 | 6,911 |  |  | 328 |
| Withdrawn copies | 226 | 3,647 | 7,152 |  |  | 246 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | 183 |
| REFERENCE | THIS MONTH | YTD | YTD 2017 |  |  |  |
|  | 758 | 10,908 | 8,745 |  |  |  |
| tests proctored | 9 | 89 | 70 |  |  |  |
| computer help over 5 minutes | 92 | 883 | 630 |  |  |  |
| Passports | 79 | 1,087 | 910 |  |  |  |
| INTERNET | SESSIONS | HOURS | YTD SESSIONS | YTD HOURS | YTD 2017 | 2017 YTD HOURS |
| Pharos sessions *** | 963 | 603 | 12,148 | 7,976 | 12,968 | 8,385 |
| Non-Pharos sessions | 178 | 1,823 | 1,613 |  |  |  |
| VOLUNTEERS | PEOPLE | HOURS |  | YTD HOURS |  |  |
|  | 67 | 260.00 |  | 3286.00 |  |  |
| MEETING ROOM | GROUPS |  | YTD GROUPS |  |  |  |
| COMMUNITY ROOM/GSR | 52 |  | 583 |  |  |  |
| PROGRAMS \& TOURS | PROGRAMS | PEOPLE | YTD PROGRAMS | YTD PEOPLE | YTD 2017 programs | YTD 2017 people |
| BOOK TIME | 1 | 50 | 52 | 1,544 | 52 | 1,458 |
| SATURDAY STORY TIME | 2 | 107 | 76 | 1,740 | 78 | 1,610 |
| CLASS VISITS | 9 | 180 | 65 | 1,967 | 63 | 1,857 |
| NON SCHOOL GROUPS | 0 | 0 | 2 | 48 | - 1 | 15 |
| CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS | 2 | 56 | 59 | 1,431 | 51 | 1,543 |
| TEEN PROGRAMS | 3 | 20 | 30 | 477 | 40 | 429 |
| Total Youth Programs | 17 | 413 | 284 | 7,207 | 285 | 6,912 |
| Total Adult Programs | 5 | 62 | 52 | 977 | 58 | 1,559 |
| BOOKINGS \& ARRANGEMENTS | HRS THIS MONTH | HRS YTD | YTD 2017 |  |  |  |
| TOTALS | 9 | 97.5 | 88 |  |  |  |

## November Children's Library Happenings!

Why is it that life often feels like mere preparation for something else? In other words, as I'm looking at our November data, I'm thinking about what we're doing next, not what we've done in the here and now. So, yes, we are getting ready for winter reading, yes, Page Turners book club has books chosen, purchased, and ready to rock and roll, and yes, we are starting Tiny Explorers, again, in December. More about that next month. November happened...let's talk about that. (For, as Socrates supposedly uttered, "The unexamined life is not worth living." Maybe.)

Monday Book Time is always a victim of the calendar in November. There was no school one Monday, we were closed one Monday, and ECFE does not hold classes the week of Thanksgiving. This left us one day of Book Time, which people were obviously waiting for, as we had 50 people here over the two story times. Char Zanardi and Suzy Hepokoski are both retired ECFE teachers, but continue to do Book Time because they love the gig. Their program impresses me, as it includes several songs, rhymes and usually a flannel board activity, along with 2-4 stories. 20-25 minutes is a long time for little people to sit, but the teachers' experience with the age group is obvious, and they adjust "on the fly" when necessary. Parents usually benefit from a literacy tip or two sprinkled in amongst the preschool content.

Saturday Story Time is usually a quicker, less structured event. Teacher Missy Gray will sing a song and then read two or three stories, before inviting everyone to the community room to continue with a craft and snack. The less formal structure works at the end of a busy week, and our two story times in November saw an attendance of 107 people.

On a personal note, I have been struggling with so much holiday content in our story times this time of year. While we purchase, and circulate, a LOT of holiday materials this time of year, and our dominant culture is Christian, we continue to serve many families who are not Christian, and several families who do not celebrate any holidays. I ask myself "How does it feel to walk in this space if I'm
$\qquad$ " (fill in the blank.) This space, and by extension our story times, needs
to be welcoming for each of our patrons. This is why the children's department does not decorate for Christmas or discuss what we are thankful for in November. While I acknowledge that the majority of our families celebrate in this way, not all do. Our patrons don't seem to blink an eye at the Santa narrative during story times, but it is something about which I think.

Okay, back from that tangent...-:) Artastic and Lego Club were both well attended again this month, seeing 20 and 36 patrons respectively. It is amazing how small people like to Lego together! If you get a chance on a Lego day (the third Tuesday of the month at $3: 30$ ), stop in and put some bricks together.

And visitors...oh, the great visitors we have! November saw nine school groups for a total of $\mathbf{1 8 0}$ people. I hope each of those people left knowing that this space belonged to them, and that they are welcome here.

One fun upcoming note: (Socrates, never mind.) Beginning in December, we will be visited by all of the Southwest third graders once a month for five months. This was a grant applied for by the teachers and Nancy Mike-Johnson to expose these kids to all that the library has to offer. The curriculum will be slightly different from the Murphy third grade curriculum, as the grant was written with specific standards in mind, but I'm looking forward to seeing this space through new sets of eyes with different objectives. I always learn something!

## Underpaid Petersons Invoice

1 message
Katarina Lincoln [arinvoices@petersons.com](mailto:arinvoices@petersons.com)
Fri, Dec 7, 2018 at 2:46 PM
To: illrap@arrowhead.lib.mn.us
Name: Katarina Lincoln
Email: arinvoices@petersons.com
Phone: 720-996-0803
Hello, I work in the accounts receivable department at Peterson's LLC. We recently sent you INV-2246376 and received check \#137092 in the amount of $\$ 100.03$. However, the invoice total was for $\$ 109.03$, leaving an
Message:unpaid balance of $\$ 9.00$. Please remit the remaining balance to our PO Box listed on the invoice and below: PO BOX 268953 Dept 1025 Oklahoma City, OK 73126 If you need the copy of the invoice, please email me and I can send it to you. Thank you, Katarina Accounts Receivable Peterson's LLC

Board member Jean Mac Done ll
introduced the following resolution and moved for its adoption:

## RESOLUTION NO. 2018-14

A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING DONATIONS
WHEREAS, Minnesota State Statutes 465.03, states that cities may accept gifts of real or personal property, including money, and use them in accordance with the terms the donor prescribes, and

WHEREAS, every such acceptance shall be by resolution of the governing body adopted by a two-thirds majority of its members,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Library Board of the City of Grand Rapids, Itasca County, Minnesota, accepts the listed donations and terms of the donors as follows:
$\$ 250$ from Nick and Nancy Eltgroth Fund - undesignated
Subscription to "Western Horseman" from the Itasca Sunset Saddle Club
890.60 Friends of the Library for children's prize books and toddler program materials $\$ 100$ from Leah White undesignated

Adopted this 12 day of December, 2018


Board member Max Peters seconded the foregoing resolution and the following voted in favor thereof: Max Peters, Lisa Tabbert, Susanzeige, Richard Thouin, Dennis Jerome, Jean MacDonell

And the following voted against same: And the following abstained:
Whereby the resolution was declared duly passed and adopted.

