WAVERLY PUBLIC LIBRARY CHECK IT OUT!

Hours: Monday - Thursday 10:00 am - 8:00 pm Friday & Saturday 10:00 am - 5:00 pm Sunday 2:00 pm - 5:00 pm



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What's your earliest library memory? I grew up in Topeka, Kansas, which had a beautiful downtown library. Fortunately, though, the library also had a wonderful bookmobile which traveled to local neighborhoods. I remember driving with my mom and little sister to a nearby shopping center parking lot to visit the bookmobile during the summertime. Climbing the steps up into that great big air-conditioned bus full of books was one of the best parts of my summer.

What would you be doing if you weren't a librarian? I think I would be a preschool teacher—I love working with little ones. I also always thought I'd love to write a children's book with my son, who's a wonderful artist.

What's your favorite section in the

library? It really depends on what kind of mood I'm in. I love romance, but I also really enjoy historical fiction. I've also discovered some really fantastic junior non-fiction titles: they contain such wonderful photography and illustrations, as well as some truly riveting stories. And of course I always love to go through our new picture books!

What's your favorite book (or genre?) I love Nora Robert's JD Robb series. They're a great combination of romance and science fiction; they're the only books my husband and I can agree on!

Toddler Storytime

Mondays 6:30-6:50pm Tuesdays 10:30-10:50am



Preschool Storytime

Wednesdays 10:10-10:50am Thursdays 10:10-10:50am

Stories Songs Movement Rhythm

Harry Potter Party

Sunday, November 6, 2:30—4:00 p.m.

Register for school and select wands! Get sorted into your house and take classes like Defense against the Dark Arts! Drink Butterbeer and win a House Cup!!

For grades 4-8 Registration required. For more info: Contact Emily, our teen librarian, 319-352-1223

Ice Age : Collision Course Independence Day: Resurgence Ghostbusters The Legend of Tarzan Money Monster Genius Keanu Neighbors 2 Central Intelligence Captain America: Civil War Now You See Me 2

A Day at ILA By Stacey Leerhoff

Iowa Library Association Conference comes once a year in October. It is a three day conference full of breakout sessions for librarians of all flavors: school librarians, public librarians, academic librarians, librarians of hospital libraries; the list goes on. This year, the conference was held in Dubuque, Iowa. We loaded up the city van and headed down for a day full of learning.

Our day began all together listening to the keynote speaker, Bryan Lansing, on "When Generations Connect." Bryan was a dynamic speaker that really showed us the differences in generations and why they each are that way and how we can all use our differences and work together better. For example, Millennials have grown up in the age of technology. Consequently, this is the best way to connect with them. They are a generation that has been given lots of decision making opportunities growing up. Therefore, they expect to be able to share their opinions. While my generation, the Gen X'ers, were raised on MTV, video games, cable TV and 24 hr. news. We are very independent and resourceful, yet skeptical. The best way to work with a Gen Xer is to give them honest, unfiltered, direct feedback. This won't work for other generations, but is the best method for my generation. Bryan points out that by understanding why each generation is the way it is, makes it easier collaborate and work together.

Next, we separated and went to breakout sessions on an array of topics meant to inspire us to try new things in our own libraries. The first session that I chose was on creating book trailers. Two school librarians presented on how they teach 5th and 6th graders, and also high school students how to go about creating a book trailer. At the library, I do work on Facebook, Instagram and Snapchat. I felt like book trailers would be a natural progression for me and a fun way to get new reading suggestions out there to our library people! These presenters did a great job of going step by step and showing us how to use some free software and create a fun and creative book trailer. They even included theirs into the school's card catalog, so when students are searching for a book to read, the book trailer is the perfect tease to try something new!

After each session, we have time in the Exhibit Hall to check out all of the new products and technology on the library market today! You can find anything from new puppets to people dressed in time period clothing wanting to come to your library and present, to library friendly furniture and new card catalog systems. It's a super way to connect with people and take home ideas to hopefully implement in our libraries.

After a yummy lunch and break where I took a stroll along the Mississippi River, I headed off to "Reader's Advisory Crash Course". This break out session was taught by one of Waverly's own librarians, Jillian. She and the other 2 presenters talked about different ways to help people find their next favorite book. They included different questions to ask and websites to utilize. To keep it interesting, they even did a couple of skits with a "bad librarian" trying to suggest reading materials! Even though I've been working in the library for a long time, I gleaned new tricks to helping people find great books! This is one of my favorite parts of my job and I try to improve all the time.

Another break was given to allow us more time to visit with the exhibitors and to bid on items on the Silent auction. Then I went to my last session of the day, "Outreach in libraries". This first part of this session was put on by the children's librarian in Mt. Pleasant. She talked about a collaboration that one of the elementary schools has going with her and the library. She visits the school and takes books for the kids to check out each week. This benefits the children because, as she explained, there is a certain amount of students that would never make it to the public library. It benefits the library by increasing checkouts and encouraging a love of reading. There is a lot of grace involved in this program where fines are concerned and

this puts the emphasis on the books which in the end is a win for all sides! The presenter for the second half of this session was the owner of a Little Free Library. Mary Jedlicka Humston gave the history of Little Free Libraries. Todd Bol of Hudson, Wisconsin built the first Little Free Library in 2009. From there, the goal was to get as many little free libraries across the world as Andrew Carnegie first started with, 2,509. Now, the movement has spread to over 40,000 and growing. She emphasized these libraries' importance in a world of so much technology. She talked about what her own Little Free Library means to her, her family and her neighborhood. She emphasized getting books in the hands of children, our future. Outreach for libraries is so important today, whether it is through collaboration with schools or finding other places to put mini book collections, i.e. little free libraries. In the end, we need to be where the people are.

International Game Day November 19 1:00 -5:00 p.m.



Come and go and join us to play games in conjunction with the Friendly Meeple gaming group for International Gaming Day @ your library! There will be snacks and prize drawings throughout the afternoon. All ages are welcome! There are games for as young as 2 year olds up to the elderly. You can also bring a game from home if you like or play one of our over 200 games! Come socialize, meet new people or hang out with old friends and just enjoy spending time together with others!



NERF Night Tuesday, November 22, 8:00—9:30 p.m. Ages 12-18

Bring your own equipment (marked with your name) and your friends!! Fun games like Capture the Flag and "President"