



Verdigre Public Library Report to Village Board

February 2020

By Katie Hollmann, Director



Requested Statistics:

- **SILVER LEVEL Accreditation 2017-2020** (renewal due by Oct 2020)
- All \$ credited and expended fiscal year Oct 2018—Sep 2019

REVENUE — total \$41,674 *last year \$32,296*

Village \$25,285 County \$4,500 State \$840 *last year \$22,124, \$4500, \$847*

Other \$11,249 [copies \$2486, book free will \$142, fines \$63, donations \$1910, *interest \$4648*, grants \$2000.
Also rec'd federal erate grant *credit* of \$974 for internet.] *last year total \$4825*

EXPENDITURES — total \$35,236 *last year \$29,810*

Total staff (x5) \$20,079 Total collection \$6,724 Total other operating \$8,433

- Number materials in library — books 10,345, video 755, audio 468, games & equipment 31 (ex. legos), ebooks/audios downloadable 27,501/15,664 *thru our Overdrive subscription*
- Periodical subscriptions — 7 (e.g. *Verdigre Eagle*, *school annual*). Plus we offer 65+ titles in Magazine Exchange for patrons
- Materials added — 1036, withdrawn — 665
- Number materials circulated — 4015 (from the library), 4652 (with Overdrive downloads) *last yr 4301, 5098*



Projects of 2019

IMLS Sparks grant—school continued wifi-share after grant ended in May

Digitized Verdigre Eagles & Centennial Book—online at library website

Innovation Studios grant (July 2019 to Feb 2020)—maker-equipment for 30 weeks of free patron use

Vinyl signage for village and library (used vinyl cutter from Innovation Studio)

Internship grants—Rachel Pavelka and Michaela Ravenkamp (high school)

Community participation: Kolach Days, Verdigre Vanoce, flood recovery

Verdigre Flood March 13, 2019—Library suffered damages including water under front door and in mechanical room (replaced HVAC and back garden, opened damaged drywall)

Flood Recovery—Library hosted services by Salvation Army, Nebraska Strong Recovery Project, Nebraska Creative Relief and FEMA; Director assisted Village with communication needs, volunteer/work site coordination, FEMA filing for public assistance and grant applications

Summer Reading Program 2019: *A Universe of Stories (space)* SRP 2020 *"Imagine Your Story: Fairy Tales"*

Programs for adults (spring & fall) and children/families (summer)





Summer interns



3D Printer



Mayor Leroy Hollmann & NLC Director Rod Wagner



CNC Router



Chair Yoga at Alpine

Other 2018-19 Statistics:

- 472 library card holders *last year 442*
- 4,327 library visits (2706 by adults and 1621 by children)
- Open 26 hrs/wk year-round (1,352 hours for year)
- Computer usage 4599 (1719 on library's computers, 2880 wi-fi estimate)
- Summer Reading Program (SRP) had 74 youth participants; *Wildlife Encounters* (after turtle races) had 235+ attendance
- 65 programs hosted for children & adults with attendance of 1217 . Additionally: 2 art shows, 26 daycare book swaps and 7 doorstep deliveries.
- 74 different volunteers (328 volunteer hours)
- 32+ donors of materials and/or funds
- 25 licensed databases funded thru NE Library Commission (i.e. trusted info.) plus more with our Apollo ILS subscription (accessed thru library's catalog or website)
- Library website visits 1481 *last year 1348*
- Technology services for public: 30x5 internet, free wi-fi including 60x5 from school/Sparks grant, 9 public computers, printer, scanner, fax, projector, 1-on-1 tech help from Director (*grants underway for 50x5 & hardware upgrades*)
- Continuing education hours by director: 43.5 c.e.u. (Public Librarian Certification completed). Also: networking with area directors
- Grants/scholarships : erate, TRLS cont. ed., Sparks grant, Innovation Studios, Read-Aloud NE (new books for giveaway), internship grants
- Staffing—Library Director (\$12.00/hr, .54 FTE *full-time equiv.*); Assistant Librarians (\$10.00/hr, .11 FTE) *Wages increased to \$12.75 and \$10.25 on 10-1-19*
- No particular challenges to report other than flood
- Community gives positive feedback



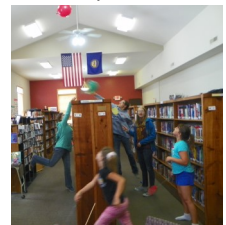
School Art show



Apollo 11 program



Vinyl cutter



Story hours



Sidewalk book sale

Travelogue: Israel
Wildlife Encounters
Movie Matinees
Author Talk: Alan Bartels

Doorstep Deliveries
Innovation Studio
Daniel Christian concert
Shamrock Card Sales
Poinsettia Sales
Verdigre Vanoce
Apollo 11 by Dr. Todd Young

LIBRARY BOARD of TRUSTEES

- Shannon Vesely—President (until 2020)
 - Pam Kotrous—V.P. (2020)
 - Donna Effle—Sec'y & Lib. Found. (2022)
 - Fran Blessen—Member & Library Foundation (2022)
 - Diana Sukup—Member (2022)
- 4 year terms

LIBRARY FOUNDATION BOARD

- Zoe Vakoc—President (2020)
 - Donna Effle—V.P. *library trustee*
 - Kristi Rohrer—Treasurer (2020)
 - Darla Gilreath (2022)
 - Fran Blessen *library trustee*
- 5 year terms

LIBRARY STAFF

- Katie Hollmann—Director
- Barbara Salvatore—Asst. Librarian
- Pat Holland—Asst. Librarian
- Rachel Pavelka—Innovation Studio intern and Assistant Librarian
- Michaela Ravenkamp—Summer Intern

Village Staff for library: Heidi Ruzicka—Village Clerk & Library Treasurer, DeAnna Fulton Coles—Internal Accounting Manager