



Mendocino County Library Advisory Board

NOTICE OF MEETING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Mendocino County Library Advisory Board (“LAB”) will hold its regular Board Meeting at:

1:00 P.M. - Wednesday, July 21, 2021
Via Zoom and In-Person at Ft. Bragg Library

Due to COVID-19 this LAB meeting will be conducted virtually and in person (pursuant to State Executive Order N 29 20). The public may participate digitally in meetings by sending comments to libtechservices@mendocinocounty.org, or register for the Zoom meeting at <https://mendocinocounty.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZwoduCoqjsiEtxH1ZYvIAhZleAJaOhI5KJg> in lieu of personal attendance. Visitors may also attend the meeting, and virtual attendance is encouraged. All email comment must be received by 8:00 A.M. the morning of the meeting in order to be published online prior to the meeting.

AGENDA

1. Call to Order
2. Introductions and Welcome
3. Approval of the Agenda
4. Approval of the Minutes from the May 19, 2021 meeting
5. Public Expression

Note: The Library Advisory Board welcomes public and government participation at its meeting. Items can be added to the official agenda up to 72 hours in advance of the meeting date and time. For items not on the Agenda, comments within the jurisdiction of the Board shall be limited to three minutes per person so that everyone may be heard. No more than ten minutes will be devoted to any non-agenda subject. No official action on non-agenda items will be taken by the LAB at the meeting where presented. Individuals wishing to address the Board under Public Expression are welcome to do so throughout the meeting at the appropriate points in the approved Agenda.

6. Library Director’s Report - Deb
7. Admin Services Manager’s Budget Report – Barb
8. Fort Bragg Branch Report - Dan
9. Report out : Ad Hoc Committee A-87 Charges - - Lynn, Michael, Olga
 - A. Meetings held on May 24, June 25, July 20
 - B. See June 25 meeting notes attached
10. Unfinished Business
 - A. Updates from Working Groups to Improve the Library
 - B. LAB Membership: Welcome District 1 Representative Richard Towle; Districts 2 & 4 renewals pending

11. Review of LAB By-laws Olga
12. Measure A Subcommittee Michael, Lynn, Janice
13. New Business
A.
14. Next Meeting, September 15, 2021, at 1:00 Focus on Pt. Arena
15. Announcements and Comments

Attachments:

LAB Minutes of May 19, 2021

July Branch Reports

MCL Collection Development Guidelines

YTD FY 20-21 LIBRARY BUDGET

YTD FY 21-22 LIBRARY BUDGET

Meeting notes of Ad-Hoc Committee meeting, June 25, 2021 LAB

By-Laws 10.07.16

Newspaper articles

Mendocino County Library Advisory Board
Minutes of May 19,2021
Via Zoom

Meeting called to order: 1:02 by Chair Lynn Zimmermann

Introductions and Welcome: Chair Zimmermann welcomed the committee; no introductions necessary

Members Present: Shawn Haven, Janice Marcell, Mo Mulheren, Olga O'Neill, Larry Riddle, Michael Schaeffer, Carolyn Schneider, Lynn Zimmermann

Members not Present: None

Others Present: Nicole Bird, Willits Branch Librarian; Barbra Chapman, Admin Services Manager; Deborah Fader Samson, County Librarian (CSA Director)

Approval of the Agenda: M. Schaeffer moved, J. Marcell 2nd, carried

Approval of 3.17.20 Minutes: L. Riddle moved, J. Marcell 2nd, carried

Public Expression: None

Library Director's Report: Deborah Fader Samson

A. Generators- Letter sent to the Board requesting \$580,000 of the \$22,000,000 PG&E settlement be spent to purchase and install generators for all libraries except for Covelo which has one.

B. Build Back Boldly State Proposal

- State Democrats 21-22 budget proposal includes a Public Libraires Package of \$1 billion for Public Library infrastructure and Technology investments.
- Proposal also includes eliminating library debt and providing ongoing sustainable funding for Public Libraries.

L. Zimmermann moved that the LAB endorse a resolution to support the 'Build Back Boldly' Public Library Proposal, J. Marcell 2nd, Motion carried

C. Going Fine Free

- Recovering lost staff time and promoting community good will offset the average \$35,000 annual fees collected.
- Only overdue fees waived; lost/damaged book fees not affected
- All branch managers agree

L. Zimmermann moved that the LAB support going fine free, J. Marcell 2nd, carried

D. Change of Branch Hours

- Natural time to assess with changes in Covid Restrictions
- Net change includes a 2-hour reduction
- Libraries again open Saturdays and closed on Sunday and Monday

M. Schaffer moved that the LAB supports the new library hours as outlined in Librarian's Report, L. Zimmermann 2nd, carried

E. Budget Including pre-Measure A and post-Measure A Charges: Barbra Chapman

- Reviewed budgets
- Discussed A-87 costs and the yearly increases
- Discussed concept of Measure A's intention of being supplemental and not supplanting existing funding

F. Willits Branch Report – Nicole Bird

- Presented highlights in a power point
- Highlighted staff; presented current and optimal staffing

- Outreach and collaborative efforts with Mendocino County Museum, Commercial Street group and schools
- Presented current virtual programs and upcoming summer reading program
- Presented Design Plan and building needs which include reconfiguring shelving, carpets, paint, circulation area, and bathroom ventilation
- Kudos to Ms. Bird for her presentation and all that the library is doing

G. Next FY Proposed Budget- covered during previous budget discussion

H. Collection Development Policy – A new policy is collaboratively being developed

2021 Library Advisory Board Report

- Discussed report that had previously been distributed
- Discussed presentation to the Board during the LAB's Annual Joint Meeting with The Board of Supervisors on May 24, 2021
- Highlights will include reserve funds and allocations for collections, review of A-87 charges, request creation of an Ad Hoc Committee to address budgetary concerns and review of Library Strategic Plan

Subcommittee on Measure A

- Review of timeline
- Measure A plans will be included in Annual Report presentation

Unfinished Business

A. Updates from Working Groups to improve the library

- Much of the updates in Annual Report
- All gave brief updates on fund raising and current status

B. District 1 Open Seat – Chair Zimmerman has done outreach in various ways and thus far has had no response

C. By-Laws: Agreed to revisit in 21-22

Announcements and comments

Ukiah Friends of the Library has books they would like to share with any Friends' group

Next Meeting LAB Scheduled for July 21, 2021; if able to meet in person in Fort Bragg

Meeting adjourned at 2:45 p.m.

Ukiah Branch Library – July Report

Take-Home Father’s Day Cards

Provided Take and Make Father’s Day card crafts for children ages 3-12 to celebrate some of the beloved seniors in our city this Father’s Day! They passed out the address of Mountain View Assisted Living and Memory Care and encouraged kids to mail a card to one of the residents.

Color Your World – All Ages Summer Reading Challenge

Kicked off the Summer Reading Program on June 11th and it runs through July 23rd. It consists of a reading challenge, virtual events, and take home crafts! Participants can sign up at the library or online at <https://mendolibrary.beanstack.org>

The first 150 people to sign up as Ukiah Branch Library patrons received \$5 gift cards to [The Nook - Artisan Gelato & Espresso](#), [The Mendocino Book Company](#), [Schat's Bakeries & Cafe](#), or [Sword & Board](#).

Willits Branch Library – July Report

In the works for July-

As part of the Summer Reading Program, Nicole’s Test Kitchen will offer two new Facebook Live series. The first will be a combination craft/STEAM activities series for kids. The second will be a make & take program series for adults.

The Facebook Live series “Make it! Own it! Work it!” will continue with fun DIY projects aimed at teens.

In an exciting collaboration, the Museum and the Willits Library will offer a series of outdoor programs in what we are calling the “Courtyard Series.”



Friends of the Willits Library (pictured Olga O’Neill, Kimbal Dodge, Melinda Clarke)

Round Valley Branch - July Report

Ongoing and Upcoming:

- **Zoom Storytime** (for ages 2 to 5) happens on Fridays at 2:00 pm. We currently have a devoted following of 5 kids.
- **“Learn Not to Burn” wildfire preparedness.** On Friday June 4th, wildfire preparedness materials were made available inside the branch. Plastic document holders and thumb drives were handed out to the first 20 people. These are intended to be a resource to community members who are preparing for the possibility of evacuation and developing family communication plans.
- **To Honor One is to Honor All Ceremony.** The Round Valley branch tabled a local event honoring recent graduates. Visitors to the library table got information on the Summer Reading Program as well as a display of new children’s books. The To Honor One is to Honor All Ceremony is an event hosted by the Round Valley Indian Health Center’s Learning to Thrive Program.
- **Norcal Bats.** The Round Valley branch will be hosting an outdoor, in-person family friendly program on July 15th to learn about bats of Mendocino County. Live, native species of bats will be shown during part of the presentation. NorCal Bats will share how bats are a vital part of the environment, important for insect control, and that they are not scary at all. This program will also be offered at the Willits branch on 7/15 and virtually on 7/13 to anyone in Mendocino County.
- **The Seed Library** held two more planting parties on June 11 and July 9 for folks who plan on a fall garden, and we will continue to have a grab-and-go table at the Farmers Market where people can pick up seeds for seasonal veggies, herbs, and flowers.



MENDOCINO COUNTY LIBRARY COLLECTION DEVELOPMENT GUIDELINES

LIBRARY MISSION

The mission of the Mendocino County Library is to enrich lives through free and equitable access to materials and programs centered on education, culture, and entertainment.

Intellectual Freedom

Collection development policies should be guided by the principles of intellectual freedom, which stems from the First Amendment of the Constitution that affirms citizens' right to hold beliefs and to express them. Freedom of speech and freedom of the press also apply to its counterpart, the right to unrestricted ACCESS to the expressions and beliefs of others.

Role of the Public Library

Public libraries play a unique role in the preservation of democracy by providing an open, nonjudgmental institution where individuals can pursue their interests and gain an understanding of diverse opinions. Libraries must continue to play an essential role in safeguarding the intellectual liberty of the public and they must recognize, understand, and support freedom of access.

Purpose of guidelines

- To guide library staff in the continual process of selection and deselection of materials
- To inform the public about the principles upon which selections are made
- "Materials" refers to books, audiobooks, DVDs, CDs, e-books, and e-audiobooks.
- "Selection" and "Deselection" refer to the decisions that must be made either to add materials to or to retain materials already in the collection, or to deaccession them.

Objectives

- To maintain a well-balanced and broad collection of materials for information, reference, and research.
- To support the democratic process by providing materials for the education, enlightenment, and entertainment of the community.

Responsibility for Selection

Although many people contribute to the selection process by recommending resources for the library in an advisory capacity, the responsibility for coordinating and making final decisions rests with the library professional staff. The inclusion of any item in the Library's collection does not constitute an endorsement by the Library of the item's content.

General Principles

Materials to be added to the collections of the Mendocino County Library are selected on the merits of a particular work in relation to the needs, interests, and demands of this community.

- Responsibility for children's reading rests with their parents or legal guardians. Selection should not be inhibited by the possibility that books may inadvertently come into the possession of children.
- Selections should be made on the basis of whether the book presents life in its true proportions, whether characters and situations are realistically presented (except for Fantasy and Science Fiction genres), and whether the book has literary merit.
- Based on the services the public library is expected to perform, it is our responsibility to provide circulating, reference, and research materials for both the diverse general public of the community as well as students at all levels of formal and informal education.

Specific Principles

- Contemporary significance or permanent value
- Accuracy
- Authority of Author
- Relation of work to existing collection
- Price, format, and ease of use
- Scarcity of information in subject area
- Availability of material elsewhere in the community
- Popular demand

SPECIFIC CRITERIA FOR SELECTION

Adult Non-Fiction: Chief points considered are readability of material, authenticity of factual matter presented, quality of writing, cost, and format, existing library holdings, and suitability of material to the community. Nonfiction may be excluded for inaccurate information, lack of integrity, sensationalism, intent to incite hatred or intolerance, and text material of too limited or specialized a nature.

Titles are selected on the basis of the content as a whole and without regard to the personal history of the author. Important books of all persuasions are carried. In no case is any book included or excluded merely because of the race or nationality, or the political or religious views of the writer. In the case of controversial questions, variety and balance of opinion are sought whenever available.

Adult Fiction: Selection is made with reference to one or more of these criteria:

- It contributes positively to an individual's awareness of self, community, and social heritage.
- It contributes to the value of the library's collection as a whole by representing all types and styles of literature.

- It provides pleasant reading for recreational and creative use of leisure time.
- Serious works which present an honest aspect of life are not necessarily excluded for frankness of experience.

Children's Materials:

The first objective in selecting children's materials is to encourage children's joy of reading and in being read to. Books are selected which offer adventure of mind and spirit to the growing child, cultivating an appreciation of literature both oral and written and encouraging the creative use of leisure time by developing an inquiring mind. Special attention is given to works of use and value to parents, teachers, and other adults working with children.

The public library does not provide basic textbooks or materials needed in quantity for school work; it accepts as its responsibility the provision of supplemental materials of varied kinds to enrich the resources available to the individual student and teacher.

Special Collections:

The library collects and preserves documents primarily of local importance. Books of particular historical value will be collected by the Mendocino County Museum and are not within the purview of the public library.

Magazines and Newspapers:

Basic popular, general information, and scholarly magazines are selected to supplement the book collection bring book information up to date, and fill in those areas where book resources are weak, inferior, or non-existent.

Newspapers are selected to meet reference and research needs of patrons, to provide current information, and to satisfy casual interest in current events. Local and national newspapers are supplied upon sufficient demand and within budget and space limitations.

Online Databases and other Digital Resources:

The library recognizes the importance of non-book materials both as a supplement to its book collection and to its concept of service. Within budget limitations CD's, DVD's, e-books and e-audio books, streaming services, and online databases are purchased in accordance with the criteria previously outlined for adult and children's materials.

Gifts:

Gifts accepted by the Mendocino County Library are judged upon the same basis as purchased materials. They are considered with the explicit understanding that such factors as duplication, lack of community interest, processing costs or inadequate shelf space may prevent their addition to the collection or permanent retention on the shelves. Gifts are accepted with the understanding that the library, if it cannot use them, may at any time dispose of them in any way it sees fit. No conditions may be imposed relating to any gift accepted by the library. Donors must be willing to assign proper and legal title, which can include copyright and literary rights, to all gift books, manuscripts, and other materials which have significant monetary value.

The library does not assess the value of materials and therefore does not provide that information for tax exemption purposes. However, upon a donor's request, the library supplies a receipt listing the number and general type of materials accepted.

Original works, crafts, artifacts, furniture, and items large enough or of a nature to be considered permanent and non-circulating must be referred to Library Administration before final acceptance is given. Labels may be affixed to gift items indicating the donor and related information helpful to the patron or person whom the gift honors.

Memorials:

The Library welcomes funds to be used for the purchase of memorials. A thank-you note is sent to the donor, and the family of the person honored is notified. If requested, memorial materials may carry a gift plate showing the name of the person honored.

LABELING OF MATERIALS:

In order to permit free and convenient access to library materials, the library endorses an open shelf policy. Therefore, no materials shall be either removed from open shelves or kept in a restricted area because of their controversial nature or because they are more suitable for one age group than another because of their subject matter, viewpoint, or the possibility that they might be opposed to by certain individuals or groups.

Library materials are not marked or identified in such a way as to indicate approval or disapproval, and materials are not sequestered, except for the purpose of protecting such materials from damage or theft.

Responsibility for children's reading and viewing materials rests with their parents and legal guardians. Selection of materials for the adult collection is therefore not influenced by the possibility that children may obtain materials which some parents might consider inappropriate.

COLLECTION MAINTENANCE AND WEEDING

Materials are withdrawn regularly in accordance with the criteria for selection and by using guidelines such as the CREW method (Continuous Review, Evaluation, and Weeding). Replacements are based on the same principles.

Stolen or mutilated materials will be replaced when deemed necessary to the maintenance of a well-rounded collection. Materials of marginal importance may not be replaced.

Responsibility

Responsibility for the selection of library materials falls under the jurisdiction of the County Librarian. Since no one person is fully qualified to determine the reading needs of all persons in all sections of the community, responsibility for materials selection may be delegated to staff members by the County Librarian, who has the authority to implement the policy. Suggestions from patrons and staff members are always welcome and given serious consideration.

Problems in material selection are referred first to the Branch Librarian and then to the County Librarian.

The Library attempts to follow the guidelines of The American Library Association, which recommends that annual withdrawals average about 5% of the total collection so that a library can maintain an up-to-date and inviting collection. Lack of demand, obsolete or erroneous information, and poor condition of material are the main reasons for discarding. Standard titles of lasting value (unless they are replaced by newer copies) and materials of special local interest will not be discarded.

- Gift materials will be subject to the same standards for inclusion and weeding as purchased materials.
- Archival material in great demand (e.g., County Annual Report) will be kept for two years. Historical documents are available at the Mendocino County Historical Society and by contacting the County of Mendocino Executive Office.
- Valuable old books and other materials which do not fit within the guidelines of the collection may be withdrawn and suitably disposed of by the County Librarian.

Reconsideration Procedure

An important obligation of a public library is to reflect within its collection differing points of view on controversial topics. The Mendocino County Library does not advocate particular beliefs, nor does the selection of an item imply an endorsement of the author's viewpoint.

Comments from members of the reading public about the collection or individual items in the collection provide librarians with useful information about the interests and needs that may not be adequately met by the collection. The Library welcomes expression of opinion by customers, but will be governed by the Collection Development Policy in making additions to or deletions from the collection.

Customers who request the reconsideration of library materials will be asked to put their request in writing by completing and signing the form entitled "Request for Reconsideration of Library Material." (Attached).

Upon receipt of a formal written request, the County Librarian will appoint an ad hoc committee from the professional staff including, but not limited to, the selector for the subject area of the item in question and one Branch Manager. The committee will make a written recommendation to the County Librarian, who will then make a decision regarding the disposition of the material. The County Librarian will communicate this decision and the reasoning behind it, in writing, to the person who initiated the request for reconsideration within one month of the initial request.

REVISION OF COLLECTION DEVELOPMENT GUIDELINES

The Collection Development Policy is subject to review and needed revision every five years. Individual portions of the policy may be reviewed or added as needed.

APPENDICES

AMERICAN LIBRARY ASSOCIATION FREEDOM TO READ STATEMENT

The freedom to read is essential to our democracy. It is continuously under attack. Private groups and public authorities in various parts of the country are working to remove or limit access to reading materials, to censor content in schools, to label "controversial" views, to distribute lists of "objectionable" books or authors, and to purge libraries. These actions apparently rise from a view that our national tradition of free expression is no longer valid; that censorship and suppression are needed to counter threats to safety or national security, as well as to avoid the subversion of politics and the corruption of morals. We, as individuals devoted to reading and as librarians and publishers responsible for disseminating ideas, wish to assert the public interest in the preservation of the freedom to read.

Most attempts at suppression rest on a denial of the fundamental premise of democracy: that the ordinary individual, by exercising critical judgment, will select the good and reject the bad. We trust Americans to recognize propaganda and misinformation, and to make their own decisions about what they read and believe. We do not believe they are prepared to sacrifice their heritage of a free press in order to be "protected" against what others think may be bad for them. We believe they still favor free enterprise in ideas and expression.

These efforts at suppression are related to a larger pattern of pressures being brought against education, the press, art and images, films, broadcast media, and the Internet. The problem is not only one of actual censorship. The shadow of fear cast by these pressures leads, we suspect, to an even larger voluntary curtailment of expression by those who seek to avoid controversy or unwelcome scrutiny by government officials.

Such pressure toward conformity is perhaps natural to a time of accelerated change. And yet suppression is never more dangerous than in such a time of social tension. Freedom has given the United States the elasticity to endure strain. Freedom keeps open the path of novel and creative solutions, and enables change to come by choice. Every silencing of a heresy, every enforcement of an orthodoxy, diminishes the toughness and resilience of our society and leaves it the less able to deal with controversy and difference.

Now as always in our history, reading is among our greatest freedoms. The freedom to read and write is almost the only means for making generally available ideas or manners of expression that can initially command only a small audience. The written word is the natural medium for the new idea and the untried voice from which come the original contributions to social growth. It is essential to the extended discussion that serious thought requires, and to the accumulation of knowledge and ideas into organized collections.

We believe that free communication is essential to the preservation of a free society and a creative culture. We believe that these pressures toward conformity present the danger of limiting the range and variety of inquiry and expression on which our democracy and our culture depend. We believe that every American community must jealously guard the freedom to publish and to circulate, in order to preserve its own freedom to read. We believe that

publishers and librarians have a profound responsibility to give validity to that freedom to read by making it possible for the readers to choose freely from a variety of offerings.

The freedom to read is guaranteed by the Constitution. Those with faith in free people will stand firm on these constitutional guarantees of essential rights and will exercise the responsibilities that accompany these rights.

We therefore affirm these propositions:

1. *It is in the public interest for publishers and librarians to make available the widest diversity of views and expressions, including those that are unorthodox, unpopular, or considered dangerous by the majority.*

Creative thought is by definition new, and what is new is different. The bearer of every new thought is a rebel until that idea is refined and tested. Totalitarian systems attempt to maintain themselves in power by the ruthless suppression of any concept that challenges the established orthodoxy. The power of a democratic system to adapt to change is vastly strengthened by the freedom of its citizens to choose widely from among conflicting opinions offered freely to them. To stifle every nonconformist idea at birth would mark the end of the democratic process. Furthermore, only through the constant activity of weighing and selecting can the democratic mind attain the strength demanded by times like these. We need to know not only what we believe but why we believe it.

2. *Publishers, librarians, and booksellers do not need to endorse every idea or presentation they make available. It would conflict with the public interest for them to establish their own political, moral, or aesthetic views as a standard for determining what should be published or circulated.*

Publishers and librarians serve the educational process by helping to make available knowledge and ideas required for the growth of the mind and the increase of learning. They do not foster education by imposing as mentors the patterns of their own thought. The people should have the freedom to read and consider a broader range of ideas than those that may be held by any single librarian or publisher or government or church. It is wrong that what one can read should be confined to what another thinks proper.

3. *It is contrary to the public interest for publishers or librarians to bar access to writings on the basis of the personal history or political affiliations of the author.*

No art or literature can flourish if it is to be measured by the political views or private lives of its creators. No society of free people can flourish that draws up lists of writers to whom it will not listen, whatever they may have to say.

4. *There is no place in our society for efforts to coerce the taste of others, to confine adults to the reading matter deemed suitable for adolescents, or to inhibit the efforts of writers to achieve artistic expression.*

To some, much of modern expression is shocking. But is not much of life itself shocking? We cut off literature at the source if we prevent writers from dealing with the stuff of life. Parents and teachers have a responsibility to prepare the young to meet the diversity of experiences in life to which they will be exposed, as they have a responsibility to help them learn to think critically for themselves. These are affirmative responsibilities, not to be discharged simply by preventing them from reading works for which they are not yet prepared. In these matters values differ, and values cannot be legislated; nor can machinery be devised that will suit the demands of one group without limiting the freedom of others.

5. *It is not in the public interest to force a reader to accept the prejudgment of a label characterizing any expression or its author as subversive or dangerous.*

The ideal of labeling presupposes the existence of individuals or groups with wisdom to determine by authority what is good or bad for others. It presupposes that individuals must be directed in making up their minds about the ideas they examine. But Americans do not need others to do their thinking for them.

6. *It is the responsibility of publishers and librarians, as guardians of the people's freedom to read, to contest encroachments upon that freedom by individuals or groups seeking to impose their own standards or tastes upon the community at large; and by the government whenever it seeks to reduce or deny public access to public information.*

It is inevitable in the give and take of the democratic process that the political, the moral, or the aesthetic concepts of an individual or group will occasionally collide with those of another individual or group. In a free society individuals are free to determine for themselves what they wish to read, and each group is free to determine what it will recommend to its freely associated members. But no group has the right to take the law into its own hands, and to impose its own concept of politics or morality upon other members of a democratic society. Freedom is no freedom if it is accorded only to the accepted and the inoffensive. Further, democratic societies are more safe, free, and creative when the free flow of public information is not restricted by governmental prerogative or self-censorship.

7. *It is the responsibility of publishers and librarians to give full meaning to the freedom to read by providing books that enrich the quality and diversity of thought and expression. By the exercise of this affirmative responsibility, they can demonstrate that the answer to a "bad" book is a good one, the answer to a "bad" idea is a good one.*

The freedom to read is of little consequence when the reader cannot obtain matter fit for that reader's purpose. What is needed is not only the absence of restraint, but the positive provision of opportunity for the people to read the best that has been thought

and said. Books are the major channel by which the intellectual inheritance is handed down, and the principal means of its testing and growth. The defense of the freedom to read requires of all publishers and librarians the utmost of their faculties, and deserves of all Americans the fullest of their support.

We state these propositions neither lightly nor as easy generalizations. We here stake out a lofty claim for the value of the written word. We do so because we believe that it is possessed of enormous variety and usefulness, worthy of cherishing and keeping free. We realize that the application of these propositions may mean the dissemination of ideas and manners of expression that are repugnant to many persons. We do not state these propositions in the comfortable belief that what people read is unimportant. We believe rather that what people read is deeply important; that ideas can be dangerous; but that the suppression of ideas is fatal to a democratic society. Freedom itself is a dangerous way of life, but it is ours.

This statement was originally issued in May of 1953 by the Westchester Conference of the American Library Association and the American Book Publishers Council, which in 1970 consolidated with the American Educational Publishers Institute to become the Association of American Publishers.

Adopted June 25, 1953, by the ALA Council and the AAP Freedom to Read Committee; amended January 28, 1972; January 16, 1991; July 12, 2000; June 30, 2004.

A Joint Statement by:

[American Library Association](#)

[Association of American Publishers](#)

Subsequently endorsed by:

[American Booksellers for Free Expression](#)

[The Association of American University Presses](#)

[The Children's Book Council](#)

[Freedom to Read Foundation](#)

[National Association of College Stores](#)

[National Coalition Against Censorship](#)

[National Council of Teachers of English](#)

[The Thomas Jefferson Center for the Protection of Free Expression](#)

Mendocino County Library
Request for Reconsideration of Material

Request initiated by (your name): _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Do you represent:

_____ Yourself

_____ An Organization (name): _____

_____ Another Group (name): _____

Title of material for reconsideration: _____

Author: _____

1. To what in the work do you object? Please be specific; site page number(s).

2. Did you read/ view/ listen to the entire work? _____ Yes _____ No
If not, what parts have you read/ listened to?

3. What do you feel might be the result of someone reading/ viewing/ listening to this work?

4. In your opinion, is there anything good about this work?

5. Are you aware of judgments of this work by literary critics? _____ Yes _____ No

6. What would you like the library to do about this material?

7. In its place, what work would you recommend that would convey the same picture and perspective on the subject?

Signature _____ Date _____

LIBRARY BUDGET FY 2020/2021

| OBJECT | ACCOUNT DESCRIPTION | REVISED BUDGET | YTD as of 7/15/21 | YTD % used | Notes |
|---------------------------|-------------------------|----------------|-------------------|------------|--|
| 821500 | SALES & USE TAX | -2,140,000 | -2,357,975 | 110% | Measure A funds |
| 824100 | INTEREST | -34,954 | -10,748 | 31% | |
| 825496 | STATE LIBRARY GRANT | -85,341 | -85,341 | 100% | CENIC grant |
| 826370 | LIBRARY SERVICES | -30,885 | -9,631 | 31% | Fine revenue and Bookmobile stops in Sonoma |
| 827600 | OTHER SALES | -8,000 | 0 | 0% | Photocopy fees |
| 827707 | DONATION | -800 | -713 | 89% | Donations to MCL |
| 827802 | OPERATING TRANSFER IN | -1,379,826 | -1,379,826 | 100% | Property Tax from Assembly Bill 3027 in 1992 |
| Total Revenue | | -3,679,806 | -3,844,235 | 104% | |
| 861011 | REGULAR EMPLOYEES | 1,603,207 | 1,386,389 | 86% | |
| 861012 | EXTRA HELP | 50,000 | 19,756 | 40% | |
| 861013 | OVERTIME REG EMP | 20,000 | 7,566 | 38% | |
| 861021 | CO CONT TO RETIREMENT | 469,535 | 416,347 | 89% | |
| 861022 | CO CONT TO OASDI | 88,409 | 76,738 | 87% | |
| 861023 | CO CONT TO OASDI-MEDIC | 22,303 | 19,690 | 88% | |
| 861024 | CO CONT TO RET INCREMEN | 85,102 | 76,398 | 90% | |
| 861030 | CO CONT TO EMPLOYEE INS | 206,581 | 179,376 | 87% | |
| 861031 | CO CONT UNEMPLOYMENT I | 4,033 | 4,033 | 100% | |
| 861035 | CO CONT WORKERS COMPEN | 73,561 | 73,561 | 100% | |
| Total Salaries & Benefits | | 2,622,732 | 2,259,854 | 86% | |
| 862060 | COMMUNICATIONS | 244,187 | 28,956 | 12% | Phone and data lines |
| 862090 | HOUSEHOLD EXPENSE | 125,000 | 47,082 | 38% | Janitorial & garbage - all branches |
| 862101 | INSURANCE-GENERAL | 35,164 | 35,164 | 100% | |
| 862120 | MAINTENANCE-EQUIPMENT | 15,000 | 2,777 | 19% | Equipment maintenance (incl. Bookmobile) |
| 862130 | MAINT-STRC IMPR & GRN | 30,000 | 30,046 | 100% | Building maintenance |
| 862150 | MEMBERSHIPS | 1,200 | 1,767 | 147% | CLA, ALA, ARSL |
| 862170 | OFFICE EXPENSE | 35,000 | 31,369 | 90% | Office supplies including paper and toner |
| 862185 | MEDICAL & DENTAL SVCS | 2,500 | 200 | 8% | Pre-employment physicals, screenings |
| 862187 | EDUCATION & TRAINING | 3,000 | 3,384 | 113% | Classes |
| 862189 | PROF & SPEC SVCS-OTHR | 250,000 | 154,107 | 62% | Sonoma, Delivery, IS support, Security guard, NeoGov |
| 862190 | PUBL & LEGAL NOTICES | 2,000 | 797 | 40% | Classified ads for job postings |
| 862194 | A-87 COSTS | 514,440 | 519,993 | 101% | |
| 862210 | RNTS & LEASES BLD GRD | 39,000 | 25,347 | 65% | Round Valley, Laytonville MOU |
| 862230 | INFO TECH EQUIP | 30,000 | 17,334 | 58% | Computer replacements & software |

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|--------------------------------------|------------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------|---|
| 862239 | SPEC DEPT EXP | 300,000 | 176,917 | 59% | Library collection materials and databases |
| 862250 | TRNSPRTATION & TRAVEL | 20,000 | 8,304 | 42% | Bookmobile gas and maintenance, mileage |
| 862253 | TRAVEL & TRSP OUT OF CO | 4,000 | 0 | 0% | Hotel, airfare, per diem conferences/trainings |
| 862260 | UTILITIES | 77,000 | 60,646 | 79% | Water, sewer, electricity, gas, etc. |
| Total Services & Supplies | | 1,727,491 | 1,144,190 | 66% | |
| 864370 | EQUIPMENT | 0 | 0 | 0% | |
| 865802 | OPERATING TRANSFER OUT | 73,000 | 0 | 0% | |
| | Revenue Total | -3,679,806 | -3,844,235 | 104% | |
| | Expense Total | 4,423,223 | 3,404,044 | 77% | |
| | Budgeted Reserves Use | 743,417 | | | |
| | Reserves at FY start | 1,202,866 | | | |

LIBRARY BUDGET FY 2021/2022

| OBJECT | ACCOUNT DESCRIPTION | BUDGET | YTD as of 7/15/21 | YTD % used | Notes |
|---------------------------|-------------------------|------------|----------------------|------------|--|
| 821500 | SALES & USE TAX | -2,311,200 | 0 | 0% | Measure A funds |
| 824100 | INTEREST | -30,000 | 0 | 0% | |
| 826370 | LIBRARY SERVICES | -10,000 | 0 | 0% | Fine revenue and Bookmobile stops in Sonoma |
| 827600 | OTHER SALES | -4,000 | 0 | 0% | Photocopy fees |
| 827707 | DONATION | -1,000 | 0 | 0% | Donations to MCL |
| 827801 | GRANT REVENUE | -5,000 | 0 | 0% | FINRA GRANT |
| 827802 | OPERATING TRANSFER IN | -1,407,423 | 0 | 0% | Property Tax from Assembly Bill 3027 in 1992 |
| Total Revenue | | -3,768,623 | 0 | 0% | |
| 861011 | REGULAR EMPLOYEES | 1,623,859 | 39,873 | 2% | |
| 861012 | EXTRA HELP | 35,000 | 982 | 3% | |
| 861013 | OVERTIME REG EMP | 25,000 | 628 | 3% | |
| 861021 | CO CONT TO RETIREMENT | 538,879 | 11,761 | 2% | |
| 861022 | CO CONT TO OASDI | 90,408 | 2,238 | 2% | |
| 861023 | CO CONT TO OASDI-MEDIC | 22,391 | 577 | 3% | |
| 861024 | CO CONT TO RET INCREMEN | 75,986 | 2,150 | 3% | |
| 861030 | CO CONT TO EMPLOYEE INS | 245,653 | 5,237 | 2% | |
| 861031 | CO CONT UNEMPLOYMENT IN | 5,495 | 0 | 0% | |
| 861035 | CO CONT WORKERS COMPENS | 63,767 | 0 | 0% | |
| Total Salaries & Benefits | | 2,726,438 | 63,446 | 2% | |
| 862060 | COMMUNICATIONS | 253,187 | 292 | 0% | Phone and data lines |
| 862062 | COUNTY-WIDE MICROWAVE | 6,770 | | 0% | Billed by County |
| 862090 | HOUSEHOLD EXPENSE | 126,000 | 14 | 0% | Janitorial & garbage - all branches |
| 862101 | INSURANCE-GENERAL | 41,675 | 0 | 0% | |
| 862120 | MAINTENANCE-EQUIPMENT | 10,000 | 0 | 0% | Equipment maintenance (incl. Bookmobile) |
| 862130 | MAINT-STRC IMPR & GRN | 25,000 | 0 | 0% | Building maintenance |
| 862150 | MEMBERSHIPS | 8,500 | 0 | 0% | CLA, ALA, ARSL |
| 862170 | OFFICE EXPENSE | 43,000 | -122 | 0% | Office supplies including paper and toner |
| 862185 | MEDICAL & DENTAL SVCS | 2,000 | 0 | 0% | Pre-employment physicals, screenings |
| 862187 | EDUCATION & TRAINING | 2,000 | 0 | 0% | Classes |
| 862189 | PROF & SPEC SVCS-OTHR | 226,000 | 0 | 0% | Sonoma, Delivery, IS support, Security guard, NeoGov |
| 862190 | PUBL & LEGAL NOTICES | 1,000 | 0 | 0% | Classified ads for job postings |
| 862194 | A-87 COSTS | 519,993 | 0 | 0% | |
| 862210 | RNTS & LEASES BLD GRD | 42,000 | 0 | 0% | Round Valley, Laytonville MOU |
| 862230 | INFO TECH EQUIP | 102,971 | 396 | 0% | Computer replacements & software |

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|--------------------------------------|------------------------------------|------------|----------|----|---|
| 862239 | SPEC DEPT EXP | 200,000 | 3,254 | 2% | Library collection materials and databases |
| 862250 | TRNSPRTATION & TRAVEL | 20,000 | 0 | 0% | Bookmobile gas and maintenance, mileage |
| 862253 | TRAVEL & TRSP OUT OF CO | 2,000 | 0 | 0% | Hotel, airfare, per diem conferences/trainings |
| 862260 | UTILITIES | 75,600 | 0 | 0% | Water, sewer, electricity, gas, etc. |
| Total Services & Supplies | | 1,707,696 | 3,835 | 0% | |
| 864370 | EQUIPMENT | 0 | 0 | 0% | |
| 865802 | OPERATING TRANSFER OUT | 55,000 | 0 | 0% | |
| | Revenue Total | -3,768,623 | 0 | 0% | |
| | Expense Total | 4,489,134 | 67,281 | 1% | |
| | Budgeted Reserves Use | 720,511 | | | |
| | Reserves at FY start | 1,400,000 | Estimate | | |

Ad Hoc Committee on A-87 Charges to Library
Notes on Meeting of
2021.06.25

Present: Dan Gjerde, John Haschak, , Deb Fader, Lloyd Weer, Barb Chapman, Lynn Zimmermann, Olga O'Neill, Michael Schaeffer, Chamise Cubbison

Supervisors Haschak and Gjerde reported that they had held a meeting with Lloyd Weer and Chamise Cubbison in Accounting regarding Resolution No.16-015 from FY 2015/16 on the exemptions for A-87 charges to the Library Budget. They determined that buildings, building improvements, and equipment purchased with Measure A funds were not included in the exemption, but should be.

They will present an amendment to the Resolution to the Board of Supervisors on July 20, 2021. The amendment will include an exemption from A-87 charges for buildings, building improvements, and equipment purchased with funds from Measure A, the Library portion of property taxes, or library donations.

Equipment constitutes any items purchased for the building other than structural that exceed \$5,000 and have useful life of at least a year, such as HVAC systems, computers, machinery and other fixed assets.

This same sub-set of the Ad Hoc Committee decided that transferring some Library staff members to help with the County-wide COVID response not only served the needs of the community, but kept all library staff employed during the pandemic, thus reducing potential costs related to higher unemployment insurance and staff recruitment and hiring when libraries reopen.

FEMA over-time funds amount to approximately \$10,000. The time frame for re-imbusement is unclear. However, when the County receives the funds, they will be credited to the Library budget.

Once Resolution 16-015 is amended, the Auditor's office will reimburse the Library budget for A-87 costs charged for the above mentioned items between FY 2015/16 and FY 20/21. The reimbursement will be in the form of credits to A-87 charges going forward. Another meeting will be held at that time with LAB members, Library staff, and staff from the Auditor's office to determine which of all the charges are included in that category.

BYLAWS OF THE MENDOCINO COUNTY LIBRARY ADVISORY BOARD

Purpose of Organization

The Mendocino County Library Advisory Board, hereinafter referred to as the “Advisory Board,” was established by the Mendocino County Board of Supervisors by Resolution No. 70-191. The Board of Supervisors adopted Resolution No. 06-138 on July 18, 2006 which amended and superseded Resolution No. 70-191. The Board of Supervisors adopted Resolution No.15-118 on August 7, 2015 to further clarify their intent.

The Advisory Board shall act in an advisory capacity to the Board of Supervisors. The function of the Advisory Board is to make recommendations to the County Librarian and the Board of Supervisors regarding issues of County Library operations, policy, services and programs for the County Library, consideration of proposals or requests submitted by citizens or groups pertaining to the County Library operations, review of budget programs and recommendations, and all matters affecting public library service in Mendocino County. The Advisory Board seeks input from the public and will make time for public comment at its meetings.

Time and Place of Regular Meetings

The Advisory Board shall set their annual calendar at their January meeting. Meetings will be held on the third Wednesday of the month at 1:00 PM. Meeting locations shall be set at the January meeting. Dates and locations of meetings shall be posted on the Library website. A notice of Advisory Board meetings will be posted at the meeting venue at least seventy-two hours in advance of each meeting. These meetings shall be announced by email to board members and parties that contact the Recording Secretary of the Advisory Board. Advisory Board members shall be reimbursed for mileage to and from a regular scheduled meeting upon request of the Advisory Board member, at an amount as determined by the Mendocino County Auditor Controller and pursuant to County travel policy. This charge shall be borne by the County Library budget.

Special Meetings

Special meetings may be called with the approval of a majority of Advisory Board or by the Chair. Notification of such special meetings shall be made to board members, and to those media outlets and members of the public who have requested, in writing, notice of such meetings, at least 24 hours before they occur.

Membership

There are to be no more than nine voting members on the Advisory Board. The Advisory Board shall be composed of a) a resident nominated by each Supervisor from their respective supervisorial district and appointed by the Board of Supervisors to serve a four (4) year term concurrent with the term of the Supervisor who nominated them; b) a resident of each City appointed by their respective City Council to serve a two (2) year term; c) one or more alternates nominated by each Supervisor and appointed by the Board of Supervisors or appointed by each City Council, except an alternate shall only vote in the absence of the regular member for whom they are an alternate; and d) the County

Librarian, who shall be an ex-officio member of the Advisory Board but shall have no vote, nor be part of a quorum. The Board of Supervisors and City Councilmembers are encouraged to attend Advisory Board meetings, but shall have no votes. Members of the Advisory Board may continue to serve until a successor is appointed, unless that member has submitted their resignation.

Quorum

A majority of the current voting membership shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. Each Advisory Board member shall have one vote. Only an action or decision, taken or made by a majority of members present at a meeting at which a quorum is present, shall be regarded as the action or decision of the Advisory Board. The Chair may adjourn meetings with less than a quorum. The Advisory Board shall be governed by the Brown Act and all applicable State laws.

Annual Report to the Board of Supervisors

The Mendocino County Library Advisory Board shall submit an annual report to the Library Director by February 15th of each year. The Library Director shall submit the report to the Board of Supervisors on behalf of the Library Advisory Board.

Notification of Intent to be Absent

A member who intends to be absent from a regular meeting shall so notify the Recording Secretary of the Advisory Board at least four hours prior to the time of the meeting. If a member has missed 50% of meetings in one calendar year, the Advisory Board may recommend that the appropriate Supervisor or City Council appoint a replacement.

Elections

Election of the Chair, Vice Chair and Recording Secretary shall be held at the regular January meeting or the next regularly scheduled meeting should a quorum not be present. Election of these officers shall be by a majority vote.

Chair

The Advisory Board shall elect a Chair at its regular January meeting for a term of one year. The Chair shall be chosen from among the members. The Chair shall take office upon election, and shall hold this office until a successor shall be elected, unless the Chair shall resign from the office or from the Advisory Board at an earlier date. It shall be the duty of the Chair to preside at meetings of the Advisory Board and to represent the Advisory Board as occasion demands. The Chair shall have the power to appoint temporary or permanent committees as the need arises. The Chair, with input from the Recording Secretary, shall prepare agendas for the meetings of the Advisory Board. The Chair shall present a copy of the agenda to the Library Director's administrative assistant who shall forward a copy to each member of the Advisory Board, the Board of Supervisors, Library staff and the Library website.

Vice Chair

The Advisory Board shall elect a Vice Chair at its regular January meeting for a one year term. The Vice Chair shall, in the absence of the Chair, or when a vacancy occurs in the office of the Chair, perform the duties of the Chair.

Recording Secretary of the Board

The Advisory Board shall elect a Recording Secretary at its regular January meeting for a one year term. It shall be the duty of the Recording Secretary to take minutes of the meetings, and prepare official communications of the Advisory Board, conferring as necessary with the Chair. The Recording Secretary shall preserve the official minute book. The Recording Secretary shall make available to the Advisory Board a draft version of the Action Minutes, within five working days of the Advisory Board’s meeting. Advisory Board members may make corrections or additions to the minutes and then vote for their approval by a majority vote of the Advisory Board.

Changes to the Bylaws

Revision to the Bylaws may be proposed in writing by any member of the Advisory Board and be presented to the Advisory Board at any regularly scheduled or special meeting. Proposed revisions shall be discussed at that meeting and duly reflected in the minutes of the meeting. Each member of the Advisory Board shall receive a copy of the proposed Bylaw changes and related discussions, and any member who is not present at the meeting shall have opportunity to submit in writing to the Chair of the Advisory Board any comments. At the next regularly scheduled or special meeting, the Chair shall summarize the discussions of proposed Bylaw changes, including reading any writings received from absent Advisory Board members, and the Chair will call for a vote for adoption or disavowal of any or all of the proposed revisions. After the revision of the Bylaws has been approved by the Advisory Board, the Chair shall give the revised Bylaws to the County Librarian who will present them to the Board of Supervisors for their approval.

The Bylaws will be reviewed and revised as necessary.

Ayes: 7
Noes: 0
Absent: 2

Whereupon, the Chair declared the Bylaws adopted, and SO ORDERED.

Date: May 18, 2016

s/ Marc Komer
Marc Komer, Chair
Mendocino County Library Advisory Board

Join the Ukiah Library in a little self-care. Learn how to make an eye pillow mask to help with soothing sleepy-time dreams and feeling extra fabulous when heading to sleep. We provide the materials and you provide the patience.

Pre-order your eye pillow mask Take-and-Make package and pick it up from the Ukiah Library using a scheduled curbside service or during our open hours. Pick-ups for this Grab-and-Go experience will continue while supplies last. Please, only one eye pillow mask package per household.

This program is free of charge, for all ages, sponsored by the Ukiah Valley Friends of the Library and the Mendocino County Library. For more information or to request your eye pillow mask Take-and-Make package please contact the Ukiah Library at 707-463-4490 or Mendocino.county.library@gmail.com.

CITATION (AGLC STYLE)

'Library Take-and-Make Learn to make eye pillow masks to help with sleep', *Ukiah Daily Journal* (online), 6 May 2021 3 <<https://infoweb.newsbank.com/apps/news/document-view?p=NewsBank&docref=news/1824F0A60F074658>>

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The Ukiah Library will host Mental Health Awareness Week May 10-14 from 4 to 5 p.m. for ages 12-18 on Instagram Live@thehideoutteens_mendoLibrary.

This past year has taken a toll on everyone. Despite this setback, it does not prevent you from self-care. The Ukiah Library is pleased to begin our annual Mental Health Awareness Week for teens. During this time the focus will be on emotional wellness tips, discussing the negative stigma associated with mental health, and a chance to order your very own You Got This Self Care Package.

The Self Care Package includes:

- Mood Tracker Journal supplies
- Pen
- Candle
- Mini bouncing ball
- A gift card from Schats
- Mini bottle of bubbles
- A mini packet of tissues
- Self Care Menu
- A small packet of bubble wrap to pop away your worries

This package is for teens only. There is a limited amount of them available, so order yours today. If you would like to order one, please contact the Ukiah Public Library at 707-463-4490 or email Mendocino.County.Library@gmail.com.

The events will be held on Instagram @TheHideoutteens_Mendolibrary and at Tik Tok as Mendocino_library.

CITATION (AGLC STYLE)

'Health Ukiah Library hosts programs for Mental Health Awareness Week', *Ukiah Daily Journal* (online), 11 May 2021 3 <<https://infoweb.newsbank.com/apps/news/document-view?p=NewsBank&docref=news/1826961C57186A20>>



Outdoors - Summer Story Promenade planned - Ukiah Daily Journal (CA) - June 4, 2021 - page 3

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The Ukiah Library and City of Ukiah Recreation Department invite all to participate in the Summer Story Promenade, starting with the very first book on display from Friday, June 11 through Friday, June 18.

Story promenades are a fun way to enjoy reading while spending time outdoors, and all community members are encouraged to visit some of the amazing public parks here in Ukiah and walk the path while reading a new book each week. The Summer Story Promenade is a self-guided tour for families and friends to enjoy at their leisure.

June 10: Every Little Thing by Cedella Marley, at Vinewood Park

June 18: Juneteenth for Mazie by Floyd Cooper, at Todd Grove Park

June 24: The Napping House by Audrey Wood, at Oak Manor Park

July 1: The Pigeon Needs a Bath! by Mo Willems, on the Rail Trail

July 8: All of Baby, Nose to Toes by Victoria Adler, at Observatory Park

July 15: I Want My Hat Back by Jon Klassen, at Orchard Park

Take a picture and tag us on Instagram! @ukiahrec @mendolibrary

We ask that all visitors follow facial covering and social distancing guidelines while touring the Story Promenade.

For information, call Sam White (Children's Librarian) at 707-234-2865 or City of Ukiah Recreation Department at (707) 463-6231.

CITATION (AGLC STYLE)

'Outdoors Summer Story Promenade planned', *Ukiah Daily Journal* (online), 4 Jun 2021 3
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The Ukiah branch of the Mendocino County library has opened its doors again to the public at 105 N. Main St. It is open 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesdays through Saturdays for patrons who are wearing masks to come inside and pick up holds or simply browse their collection.

During a recent visit, a Dolly Parton cutout reminded visitors to wear masks, and Branch Manager Melissa Eleftherion Carr said that traffic inside is slowly picking up as people realize the library is open again.

CITATION (AGLC STYLE)

By Justine Frederiksen; udjff@ukiahdj.com, 'Dispatches from downtown Ukiah The library's doors are open', *Ukiah Daily Journal* (online), 8 Jun 2021 3 <<https://infoweb.newsbank.com/apps/news/document-view?p=NewsBank&docref=news/182FD19E1E7C2F18>>

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Holiday - Take-Home Father's Day cards with the - Ukiah Daily Journal (CA) - June 8, 2021 - page 3
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The Ukiah Library welcomes children ages 3-12 to celebrate some of our beloved seniors in the community this Father's Day. We invite participants to pick up one of our Take-Home Father's Day Card kits and mail them to a resident at Mountain View Assisted Living & Memory Care.

Each kit comes with a card, all necessary materials for decoration, a sheet of instructions, and an envelope with postage and the address for Mountain View Assisted Living & Memory Care. A limited number of kits are available on a first-come, first-served basis.

Swing by the library between 1 to 5 p.m. to pick up a kit during our limited open hours, or call (707) 463-4490 to schedule a curbside pick-up. Limit one kit per participant.

For more information, contact the Ukiah Children's Librarian at (707) 234-2865.

CITATION (AGLC STYLE)

'Holiday Take-Home Father's Day cards with the Ukiah Library', *Ukiah Daily Journal* (online), 8 Jun 2021 3
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The Ukiah Library is hosting "Art in the Time of Pandemic" on Friday, July 2 from 5 to 7 p.m. Come view an exhibit of acrylic paintings that were created during the pandemic by the ever remarkable local artist Charles Montgomery.

This event is in partnership with First Friday Art Walk Ukiah. It is free to the public, open to all ages and sponsored by the Friends of the Ukiah Valley Library and Mendocino County Library.

For more information, contact the Ukiah Library at 707-463-4490, or email wetzeln@mendocinocounty.org.

CITATION (AGLC STYLE)

'Ukiah Library Art Walk Ukiah: 'Art in the Time of Pandemic', *Ukiah Daily Journal* (online), 23 Jun 2021 3
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The Ukiah Branch Library invites children ages 0-12 to pick up one of our first STEAM Take-Home Crafts for Kids.

This DIY catapult is the first of what will be a craft series encouraging children to gain hands-on experience with science, technology, engineering, art, and math from the comfort of their own home.

The Take-Home Catapult kit will be available on a first come, first served basis starting on Thursday, June 24. Swing by the Ukiah Branch Library during our open hours to pick up a kit of your own, or call 707-463-4490 to set up a curbside appointment. Limit one STEAM Take-Home Craft Kit per child.

For more information, call Sam White, Children's Librarian, at 707-234-2865.

CITATION (AGLC STYLE)

'DIY Project Ukiah Library to host STEAM Take-Home Crafts for Kids', *Ukiah Daily Journal* (online), 25 Jun 2021 3 <<https://infoweb.newsbank.com/apps/news/document-view?p=NewsBank&docref=news/1835697936455B38>>

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Ukiah is hosting a guided Ginko haiku walk through downtown Ukiah on Saturday, Aug. 7 at 11:30 a.m. Participants will make poems based on visual and aural observations of our surroundings, play with metrics, rhythm, and cadence to discover where the syllables take us.

Ukiah Poet Laureate Melissa Eleftherion Carr, author of field guide to autobiography, huminsect, little ditch, and others will facilitate this haiku walk experience. This is a free event. Registration is required — please call the Ukiah Library at 463-4490 to sign up!

CITATION (AGLC STYLE)

Submitted, 'Mark your calendar Ukiah Library to host Haiku Walk', *Ukiah Daily Journal* (online), 8 Jul 2021 2
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As of May 18, the **Willits Library** has entered the next phase of their reopening, expanding open hours for browsing and allowing patrons to stay for up to an hour. COVID safety precautions remain in place.

Branch Librarian Nicole Bird said the **library** was fairly busy the first day of the extended hours; they had previously been open from 1-5 p.m. Staff has added the seating back into the **library**, and allowing patrons to sit for one hour. She explained the time limit is to discourage patrons from staying hours at a time.

Bird said, "It is good to have more people come in... everyone is happy that the **library** is open." While the county is in the Yellow Tier, the **library** will have a

greeter at the door to ensure patrons are wearing a mask and to help guide the flow of traffic.

Bird said, "We just hope that people continue to not fight us over wearing masks." The County and State have not changed the mask mandates for indoor settings at this time. Bird said that mask compliance has not been an issue so far. The capacity limit is no longer in place.

Library staff and patrons alike are adjusting to the shift in days open, which were previously Monday-Friday and are now Tuesday-Saturday. Bird said, "I think that the extra hours are a little daunting, but we are getting used to it. It is almost back to normal hours. We are slowly getting there."

The virtual programs are still being broadcast via Facebook Live. Bird explained, "We are still trying to shy away from any kind of program that might draw too many people because we still have to be careful. We don't want to be having things that might draw a crowd." They are currently hosting three different series — Nicole's Test Kitchen STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Math) Edition is aimed at children, and Nicole's Test Kitchen Craft Edition is aimed at families or adults. Julie Castillo and Giselle Delotch host "Make it, Own it, Work it" which is a DIY program geared towards teenagers.

The **library** will still host the Summer Reading Program for children, with virtual or paper logs available. The theme is Reading Colors Your World and the program will kick off June 11. With the future of the pandemic unknown, plans are tentative and flexible at this time. Bird said that hopefully by late summer they might be able to host an outdoor program.

There is an interactive Flower Mural on display in the **library** window. Patrons can pick up a petal to color and add to the mural celebrating Springtime, **new** hopes and **new** dreams. Bird said, "People can put their own stamp on the **library**."

Library returns are only accepted via the book and media drop boxes located in the entrance of the building. Materials enter a 24-hour quarantine for COVID safety. Free WiFi is available from 6

a.m. — 10 p.m. daily which patrons can access from the parking lot.

Bird said, "It is good to get back into some level of normalcy, just having people come in. It is fun having the kids come in and happy about getting books. It will be nice when we can keep adding more things in."

The library is currently open Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday from 11 a.m.-5 p.m. and 1-7 p.m. on Thursdays. It is closed Sunday and Monday. Curbside pickup is still available by appointment. Call (707) 459-5908.

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Community members came out in multitudes for the Hometown Celebration on June 18. It was a hot afternoon that eased into a warm evening, but that did not stop the enthusiasm and enjoyment of an evening out in downtown Willits.

Stores along Main Street offered specials, several parking lots off the corridor were filled with vendors selling goods or services, food trucks offering a variety of food and desserts, bumping live music, and face painting stations and bounce houses set up for the children. Vendors and patrons alike expressed delight at finally being outdoors celebrating as well as seeing friends and neighbors out and about.

Earlene Gleisner at the KLLG Hometown Radio Booth said, "It's been fun, it really has. With the participation of all the people who come by to record our letters for our radio station, on top of the hour, and finding people who are interested in helping us out volunteering. It's really been great." Program Manager Jeff Shipp explained that children were invited to the booth and were recorded, stating first their name and then "You're listening to KLLG". He said it was "a lot of fun". KLLG Committee Member Liam UiCearbhall added that they had recorded 15 new station id's during the Hometown Celebration.

The Willits Police Department (WPD) was handing out free helmets, along with a plethora of informative booklets. Officer Natalie Higley said, "I love seeing everybody out, all the kids, all the people. Everybody's so happy, I think (they're) just glad to be not at home. Everyone's just happy to be here, it's really cool. I love it." Despite having a lot of people come by, Officer Michael Bennett said, "We have a large surplus of extra helmets right now for the kids. We are about half-

way through our supply. Whatever we don't give away tonight, we will be making periodic stops at the skate park and the city parks and giving away the rest for free."

The Mendocino County Museum and Willits Library shared a booth, promoting their Summer in the Courtyard Program.

The free to the public joint venture will have events July 10- August 12 with a variety of activities ranging from games, art, local history and family friendly stories and songs.

Branch Librarian Nicole Bird said, "It's good to see people out and having fun." Mary Pappadakis explained they were out reminding the community that the library and museum are now open to the public. She said, "We got the word out."



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Reading Colors Your World!

Fort Bragg Library's Summer Reading 2021 will be held June 11 through July 23. Read and get prizes! Stop by Fort Bragg Library between June 11 and July 23 to sign up for Summer Reading. Pick up a reading log to track your progress.

Friday, June 11, open hours, Summer Reading Kick-Off: Be one of the first people to sign up and get special prizes. Tuesday, July 13, 3 p.m. NorCal Bats: Tune in for a virtual program about these mysterious creatures. Friday, July 23, 11 a.m. Coventry & Kalusa: These award-winning circus comedians bring a variety of skills and thrills to their show, which features juggling, acrobatics, music, comedy, and "high numbers" hula-hooping.

Summer Reading is supported by the Friends of the Fort Bragg Library and local businesses. For more information, visit fortbragglibrary.org.



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Fort Bragg Library

Fort Bragg Library has new hours! Tuesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Wednesday, 1 to 7 p.m. for grab and go browsing Monday through Friday afternoons from 1 to 5 p.m. During open hours you can browse the stacks, return items, check out materials, use the computer for up to one hour, print documents and make copies. Secure masks and social distancing are required. They'll have limited, socially distanced seating available but they encourage you to make your visits short to continue to prevent the spread of COVID-19.

Donations can be made directly to the Friends of the Fort Bragg Library. The first Saturday of the month is a drop off day (noon to 3 p.m. behind the library) or you can contact them to make special arrangements if you can't make it on the first Saturday. They can be emailed at ffblnews@gmail.com. No donations are accepted by library staff and they ask that you, please, not drop donations at the library. Thank you.

For more information, call 707-964-2020 or visit fortbragglibrary.org.

FORT BRAGG >> The Fort Bragg City Council has been meeting in person for about a month now, but Monday evening's meeting was the first that looked relatively normal since March of 2020.

That's because the mask mandate and social distancing requirements are over, and the entire council and relevant staff are once again seated on the dais — though the council continues to hold a "hybrid format" meeting, with participants able to tune in via Zoom, as has been the case for the last 16 months.

The evening began with a first presentation from the Mendocino Coast Healthcare Foundation and then a second from the Library Advisory Board, regarding the Fort Bragg Library expansion project.

During the City Manager's report, Tabatha Miller gave an update on the planned fireworks show. The event is scheduled for 9:30 p.m. and will be shot off the Noyo Headlands. A trash pickup is scheduled for Monday morning at 9 a.m., participants should meet at the south Noyo headlands parking lot, the Noyo beach parking lot and Todd's point parking lot, and everyone is encouraged to bring their own trash bags and sunscreens.

The city is also asking the public to take a survey regarding plans for new ball courts at the C.V. Starr Community Center and the reconstruction of the old gym at Town Hall, also known as the East Gym.

The council then approved the consent calendar. It included items regarding the approval of new electric vehicle charging stations, updating several city pay plans and engineering services related to the economic development of the former mill site.

During the council's regular business agenda, the council heard another presentation by NHA financial advisors on Fort Bragg's shortfall between how much the city has versus how much it needs to service pension benefits. The City's liability has

increased from \$5.5 million in 2014 to \$10.7 million currently; primarily due to changes from CalPERS.

Formula business ordinance approved as-is

Next, the council heard the Planning Commission's recommendation on a new ordinance to regulate formula business in inland zoning areas. A formula business is generally used to refer to any type of commercial business establishment that uses a mutual name or symbol and has any standardized (or "formula") type of service, merchandise, decor or layout.

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If you have questions regarding COVID-19, call the County Public Health Office at 707-472-2759. To contact the City of Fort Bragg, call 707-961-2823. All Fort Bragg citizens may contact the Fort Bragg Police Department at 707-964-0200 and staff will direct you to the appropriate agency.

Coventry and Kaluza — a summer reading event

The Fort Bragg Library presents interactive fun for the whole family on Thursday, July 23, 11 a.m. at Harold O. Bainbridge Park (in front of the Vet's Hall), corner of Laurel and Harrison, Fort Bragg. Coventry and Kaluza's performance features juggling, acrobatics, music, comedy and high numbers Hula Hooping. This is an outdoor event. Bring your blankets to sit on the lawn. Secure masks and social distancing are required at this event. For more information, call Dan Hess at 707-964-2020. For questions, email fortbraggbranchlibrary@gmail.com.