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Summer Learning Program 2023

The 2023 "All Together Now" in Slinger Summer Learning program was a blast! Throughout the seven weeks we collaborated with the Slinger Super Speedway, the Slinger Police Department, the Slinger Parks & Recreation department, the Wisconsin DNR, area restaurants, and the Slinger Historical Museum. Together we offered 55 fun, tasty, and educational programs with 1,300 patrons attending. We had 282 patrons register for the Summer Learning Program Reading Challenge. Patrons of all ages completed 1,791 activities and read over 30,000 minutes in seven weeks.

The staff would like to thank all our sponsors and program collaborators for making the 2023 Summer Learning Program such a great success!

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FALL 2023 Library Programming

By Hanna Collins, Youth Services Librarian Leslie Schultz, Library Director

There are some exciting happenings at the Library this Fall! We are making a few programming changes and adding some innovative new materials. Fall Programming begins the week of September 4th, 2023. Visit Slingerlibrary.org for more information on our programs for all ages!

Lil' Bookworms (ages 0-5) - We will be exploring fun Fall themes including Back to School, Scarecrows, Talk Like a Pirate Day, and Fall! Come listen to Miss Hanna read books, and participate in songs, dances and crafts. (Tuesdays @ 11:30AM, Wednesdays @ 10:00AM; 30 minutes)

Afternoon Adventurers

(ages 6-11) - Take a break from all your back to school activities by coming to our elementary-aged programs. Some of our programs will include rubber band jewelry, pumpkin bowling, and making an edible Haunted House! (Tuesdays @ 4:15PM; 30 minutes)



Teen Thursdays (ages 12-18) - De-stress with a variety of programs designed just for teens. We'll be changing the design of this group to include consistent monthly formats. The first week of each month will feature a crafting activity. Week two will feature a cooking or baking program. The third week will feature either a technology program (such as Ozobots), or Snark Attack (watch a bad movie and make fun of it). The last week of each month will be a low-key hang out time!

(Thursdays @ 3:30PM; 60

minutes)

Adults (ages 18+)-Adults can enjoy making crafts and socializing with other crafters for Craftermorning @ the Library on the 2nd Saturday. Three book clubs are offered at the library. Devouring Books Cookbook Club is a taste bud thriller that meets on the 2nd Monday night, the Pints & Pages Book Club meets at local pubs in Slinger for a pint and great book discussion on the 3rd Tuesday night, and the Monday Afternoon Book Club meets in the library Gather Room on the 3rd Monday afternoon. We also offer other educational and informational programs throughout the month.

Two new Digital offerings!

By Leslie Schultz, Library Director



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New Early Literacy Collections at the Library

By Hanna Collins, Youth Services Librarian

Thanks to a generous donation by Mary Krall, we will be purchasing some exciting new materials. These will be available to check out in the Fall.

Tonieboxes are small cubes designed to give children ages 3 and up a screen-free digital listening experience. The Tonieboxes come with changeable characters like Paw Patrol, Frozen, and PJ Masks which are placed on top of the cube. A professional narrator will read a collection of themed stories to your child.



Wonderbooks, from Playaway, feature familiar picture book favorites as a readalong! Each Wonderbook includes a corner remote control that allows the user to hear the story read by a professional narrator. Users can also switch to learning mode for literacy learning.

Friends of Slinger Library, Inc give \$25,000 to the future library expansion!

By Leslie Schultz, Library Director



The Friends of Slinger Library, Inc (FOSL) have been an integral partner to the Slinger Community Library since 1986. Since their formation they have raised over \$200,000 for library materials, youth programming, furniture, and much more. The FOSL group had the foresight and conviction in believing Slinger would need a new library to fit the demands of a growing community. Over the past 20+ years they have saved \$25,000 for the future library expansion to help provide funds toward a dedicated youth space with a programming room, study rooms, technology area, and a family play space. The Library Board of Trustees and library staff are grateful for this very generous donation and are looking forward to using the donation to make library possibilities come true!



We are looking for members! Over the past year a strong FOSL group has grown even stronger! They have doubled in size but still need YOU! Please consider joining and sharing your talents to support YOUR community library. The FOSL group meets four times per year in the library Gather Room to plan events, like the Annual Silent Auction and other fundraisers. For more information please visit slingerlibrary.org.

Be on the lookout for special events and fundraisers this Fall at the Library.

By Leslie Schultz, Library Director

On **August 2nd** the Friends of Slinger Library, Inc is teaming up with Fill n Chill for their Community Day! They will donate a percentage of sales from that day which will go towards youth programs and materials! I scream, you scream, we all scream for froyo!



September is Library Card Sign-Up

Month! Visit the library during the month of September to get your very own library card, your gateway to information, inspiration, and entertainment. We will have games, giveaways, and much more throughout the month.





October brings back the Friends of Slinger Library, Inc Silent Auction! The Silent Auction will be held in the Library's Gather Room from October 18th through October 28th. Please consider donating items and gift cards for silent auction baskets. We are taking donations at the library until September 30th. Bid high & Bid often to support YOUR library!



November and December will be busy!
On Sunday, November 12th visit the
Allenton Subway for Sunday Funday!
Grab your party subs for your Green Bay
Packers Party and support YOUR Slinger
Community Library. On Friday, November
17th visit the library from 10AM to 3PM for
the Red Cross Blood Drive to donate a
pint and save a life! Register at
redcrossblood.org.



Are you looking for a book bargain? Visit the library Monday, November 27th through Saturday, December 9th for our **Annual Book Sale!** We will have books of all genres for all ages available for purchase. The **Holiday Wish Tree**, benefiting the future library expansion project, will be up starting December 1st. Consider spreading holiday cheer by making a donation to YOUR library during the holiday season.



The Slinger Community Library wants teens for the Teen Advisory Board. SLINGER

By Leslie Schultz, Library Director

The Slinger Community Library Teen Advisory Board (TAB) started in September 2021 with nine members. The mission of TAB and its members, ages 12-18, is to nurture life-long reading and learning, promote community enrichment, and build leadership skills. They accomplish their mission through planning a monthly teen program, growing the teen collection and space, marketing programs to the school, students and community, and fundraising.

Why should you join? The benefits of being a TAB member are numerous: interacting with other teens, developing leadership and teamwork skills, feeling a sense of accomplishment by serving the community, obtaining recognition to use on scholarships and college application, and earning school community service hours.

Teens do you want to make a difference at Slinger Community Library? Want to make it more teen friendly by having programs you want to attend, books you enjoy reading, or a space for you to socialize and study? Slinger Community Library invites YOU to JOIN the Teen Advisory Board! For more information contact the Youth Services Librarian at 262-644-6171 ext. 131.

The Library of Things collection continues to be popular!

By Leslie Schultz, Library Director

The Library of Things collection has grown to 60 items. The items are for all ages to use and enjoy. We have items for the outdoor enthusiast from giant size lawn games to outdoor/indoor recreational items. We have items to help you in the kitchen or to help you around the house. For those techies we have items for you too! Our most popular items are the attraction passes. If you like art, plants, STEAM play, water, or animals we got you covered. The collection also includes an assortment of puzzles.

Just a few reminders about our Library of Things collection...

- first come, first serve
- Holds cannot be placed on these items
- Check out times vary
- Borrower checking them out must be 18 years of age with a card in good standing
- Items need to be picked up and returned at Slinger Community Library

Please visit the Library of Things page on slingerlibrary.org for more information and availability of items in the Library of Things collection.

Did you know we have this Database?

By Leslie Schultz, Library Director



BadgerLink is Wisconsin's Online Library, providing Wisconsin residents with licensed trustworthy resources that are not available through regular search engines. To start searching visit the resources page on slingerlibrary.org.







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