

Dane County Library Service

February 2022 Director's Report



Bookmobile.

The Bookmobile has fearlessly faces the incredible cold throughout January with one exception – I took it off road on the coldest of nights, Tuesday, January 26.

We are excited to launch HOOPLA, a digital streaming service that features over 900,000 titles in books, audiobooks, film and music. All you need is your library card! We are trying this service at a "metered" rate that allows us to maintain our budget for this service.

We are looking at incorporating service to Blooming Grove Montessori into our route schedule. They reached out recently and are missing outings to the library!

Dream Bus.



We added Henderson Elementary to our Monday schedule in January with terrific results. The children who visit are enthusiastic about this new service. Even with the extreme cold in January, we still saw 200 visitors.

I attended the Snow Much Fun event at the Sun Prairie YMCA on Saturday, January 22. I had 35 visitors in 2 hours, checked out many items, issued a library card, resolved a

family's fines, and warmed many toes!



THE PAGE Beyond the Page/Ripple Project.

I'm thrilled that our Beyond the Page Manager position was posted on January 21 and will close February 4. I'll begin interviews the following week.

Alicia Treviño-Murphy, our BTP Coordinator is working on finalizing 2022 Ripple Programs. She is also working on grants to fund our Ripple Intern Program. iSchool field work student Katelyn Grandy will begin their work with Ali in planning for the Ripple Intern Program. We are excited to have them, all the way from Michigan!

Other news.

The .5 FTE Library Assistant position has been posted; I expect to interview in mid-February. The Library Assistant reclassification audit is in process.

Emergency Management and SCLS Delivery were big helps in organizing and delivering KN95 masks from PHMDC to all Dane County Libraries.