



# **Dane County Library Service**

### **November Director's Report**



#### **Bookmobile RFP**

We are rebidding the Bookmobile due to noncompliance of the one bid we received. It is my hope that we will have a purchase order ready for Library Board approval at the December meeting.

# Association of Bookmobiles and Outreach Services Conference

You may remember that DCLS staff attended the ABOS conference in St. Charles, IL on October 15. It was a long day chock full of discussion with bookmobile and outreach

service entities from all over the country. There were several formal sessions and table top discussions. We were all delighted to take the bookmobile tour, which was comprised of 14 vehicles, one dating back to 1993 and still on the road. The trip provided a nice way for the DCLS team to bond, especially given that four of us are brand new! Our situation was unique in that we are a county department that delivers materials and services, as well as reimbursement for service to county residents. This was definitely a touchy issue for other municipal/county situations.

# **Beyond the Page Grant-writing Workshop**

DCLS organized and sponsored a grant-writing workshop with Tom Linfield from Madison Community Foundation. We had 20 attendees, a nice size for this interactive workshop. According to evaluations, all attendees learned something new that they can director apply to their grant-writing. Everyone also said they feel less fearful and more confident about writing and submitting grants.



#### **Madison Leadership Conference**

I attended the Madison Leadership Conference on October 19 which featured Martin Cheeks as the keynote. The participatory discussions that I attended centered on racial equity and social justice, servant leadership, engaging teams, power and influence in leadership, and the myth of generational differences in the workplace. Sarah Lawton from Madison Public Library was a presenter of the RESJ material and we will use some of her presentation at our November Dane County Librarians' meeting.

#### Sites to check out:



http://bookmobility.org/



https://bookmobiles.wordpress.com/

CW Talk of the Town with Tracy Herold discussing library fundraising: https://youtu.be/h-NtmI4Omkc