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# **Library Board**

## **Monday, March 20, 2023**

### **Regular Meeting**

## **Item C1**

### **Approval of Director's Report**

*The Director's Report typically consists of:*

- 1) a monthly report of programs and activities, public use of meeting spaces, library media, and Librarians' Reports*
- 2) a quarterly Report of Household Library Cards Issued to Hall County Residents Outside of Grand Island provided in January, April, July and October of each year*
- 3) a quarterly statistical usage report provided in February, May, August and November of each year*
- 4) upon execution of agreement, regularly scheduled report of use of Grand Island Public Library Foundation library support funds*
- 5) upon publication, a Library newsletter*
- 6) and additional administrative items of note, either in the agenda packet or discussed at the meeting.*

**Staff Contact:**

# Library Director

**Name:** Celine Swan

**Date:** March 2023

## Since Last Report

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### February

- Media Report, Shaun, Laura, and Erica Report,
- Shaun/Celine/Laura/Erica worked on updating Library policies with Anna and Tanya
- Art Exhibit for February was Sisters by Dorothy and Donna Lambert
- 2021-2022 Annual Report was presented to the Library Board and approved 1/23/2023
- Erica technical duties update of Comprise Kiosk-Library Improvement Grant, Digital Mobile Lab promotions/checkouts, planning for Makerspace, teen programming, including spring and summer reading, collection dev, and Librarian duties.
- Updates-Police Substation promos, Open House February 20 4:30-6 p.m., Strategic Plan work, Working with Patrons using Code of Conduct, Tosca Lee author event, Go Big Give-Foundation, Hoopla report
- Fax-Self Faxing available now and incoming faxes have stopped-monitoring use #s
- Mitch Nickerson approved for the City Council Liaison for the Library Board.
- 2/1/2023 Central Plains Summer Reading Workshop here at the Library (staff attended)
- Strategic Planning Celine met with Beth and Susie
- Finishing Grand Island 150 events with the Fourth of July Fireworks at Fonner Park
- Alessandra went out to the Literacy Council 3x in February
- Celine and Laura attended the Early Childhood Education Conference at Central Community College 2/4/2023 and represented Grow with Words meetings
- Librarians, Nancy and I have worked on the 2022 Nebraska Public Library Survey and CS submitted 2/13/2022
- Celine and Leigh presented to the Kiwanis Rotary Club on 2/10/2023 at Riverside Club
- 2021-2022 Annual Report was presented to the City Council on 2/14/2023
- Erica & Laura were approved by CS and Mayor Steele to attend the ALA Conf. in June

### Upcoming-Library work

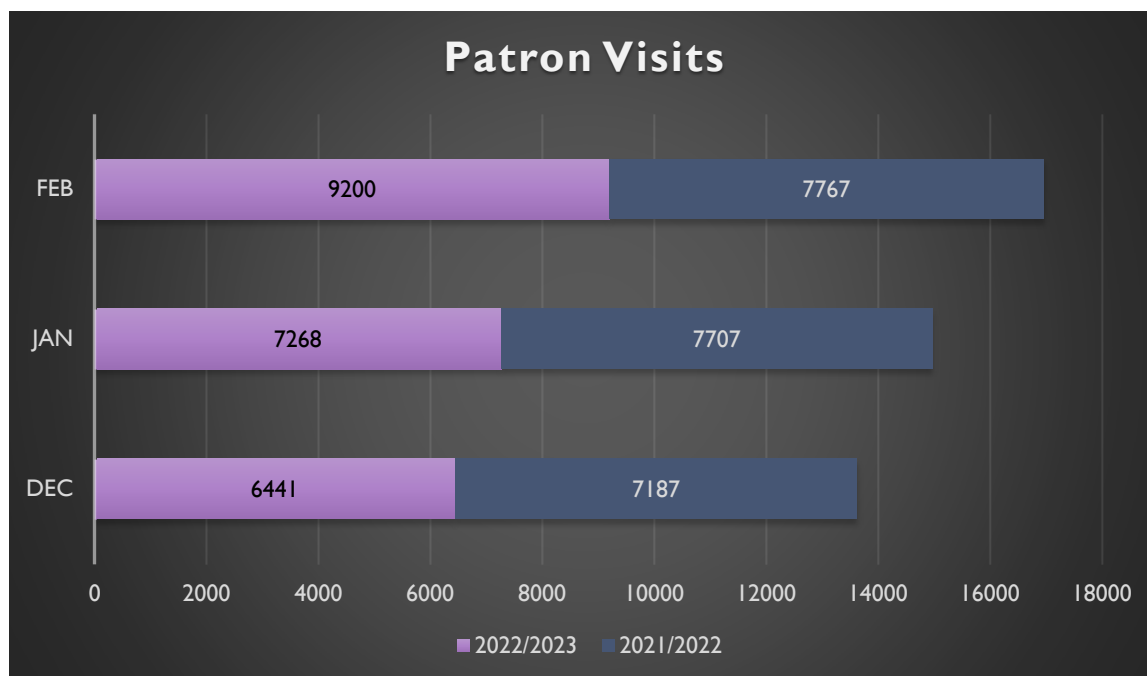
- Greater Grand Island Grant Writing, Celine and Leigh attended this free training 3/1/23
- Nebraska Library Association NLA Advocacy Day in Lincoln 3/3/2023 Kathleen Nonneman and Linda Whiteley received volunteer awards
- Grand Island Art Club for March, reception on Sunday, 3/12/2023 50 in attendance
- PrimeTime meetings, and PrimeTimes begin Feb 25 for Preschool and Feb 27 for Elem.
- Spring Break programs, Summer Reading Program promo. handout with GI Parks & Rec
- Partnership with YWCA to offer computer and budgeting classes for the Public
- March 15 Celine will present to Rogene Bainbridge Book Club at the Library
- Strategic Direction 3 Grand Generation Center 3/16/2023 meeting for Sock Hop April 28
- April 1 Spanish Early Childhood Conference-Grow with Words/Library at CCC
- Attended H3C mtgs, GI Children's Museum Bd. Meetings monthly, City Admin. monthly, Director weekly on Wed. a.m., and Central Plains Library System weekly, TLC monthly ILS mtg monthly, Librarian, MST, Zone mtg as needed, Grow with Words, Welcoming Initiative with United Way, attended State Advisory Co. on Libraries 3/3/2023
- Save the dates: Bear Fair is April 17, ComicCon April 21-23, National Library Week April 23 Go Big Give May 4, Tosca Lee May 21, Outreach to schools, and schools visiting, June 3 Airshow, August-Sept State Fair

# GRAND ISLAND PUBLIC LIBRARY

## FEB 2023 STATS OVERVIEW & COMPARISON

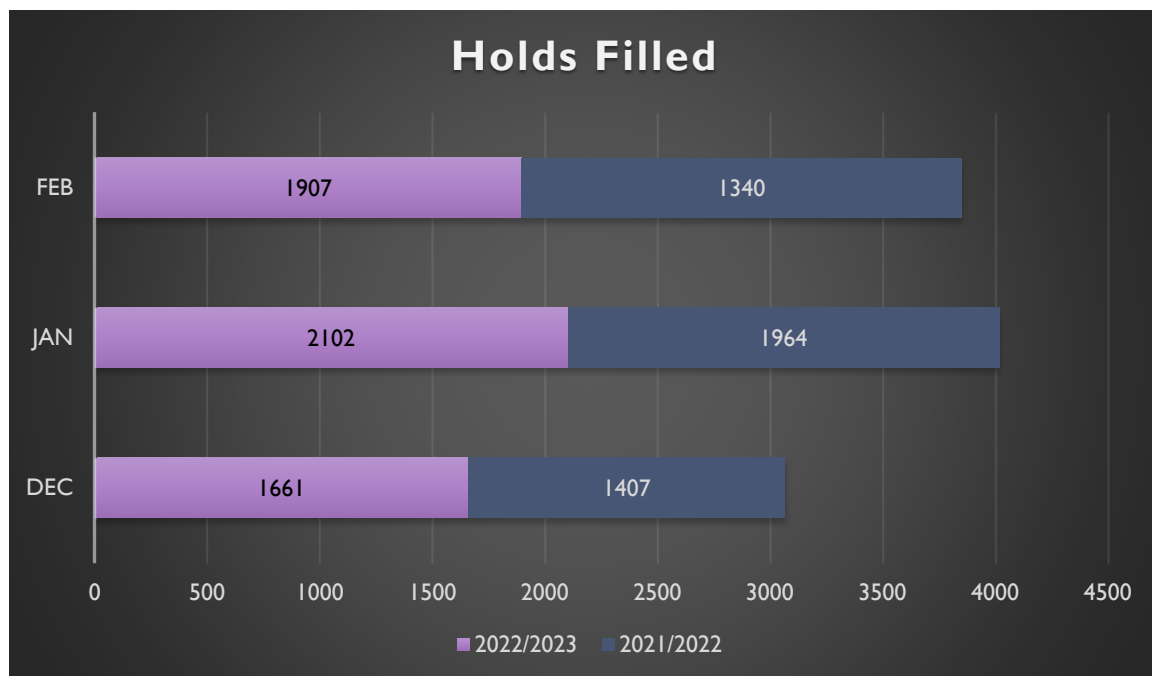
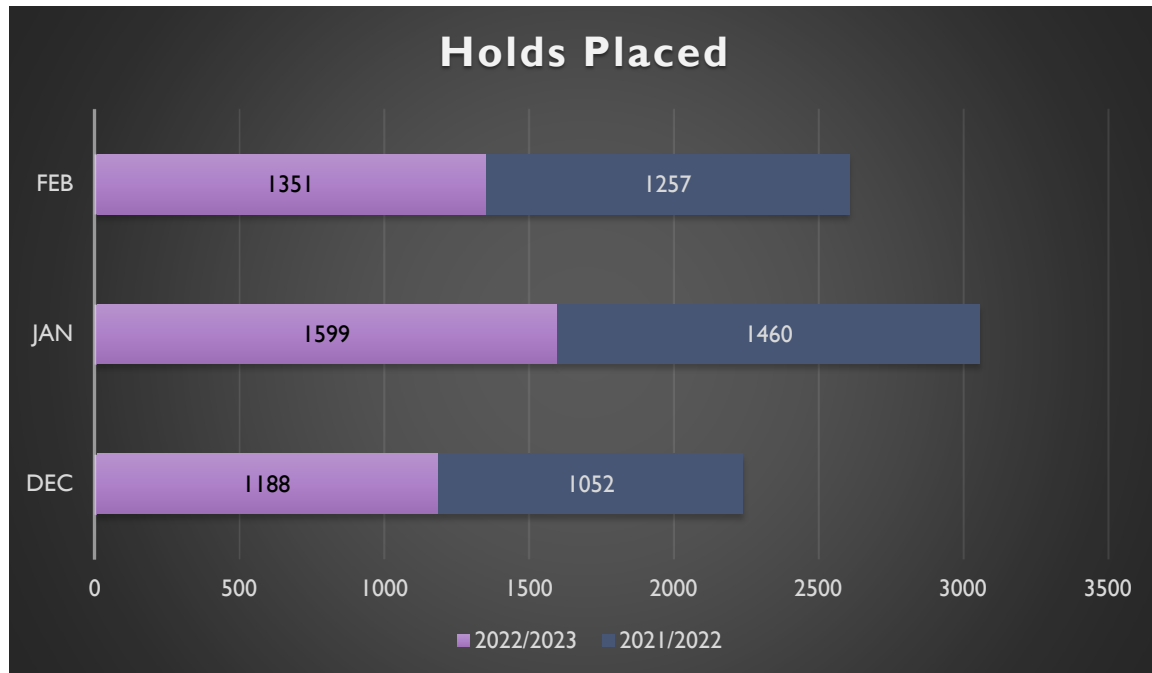


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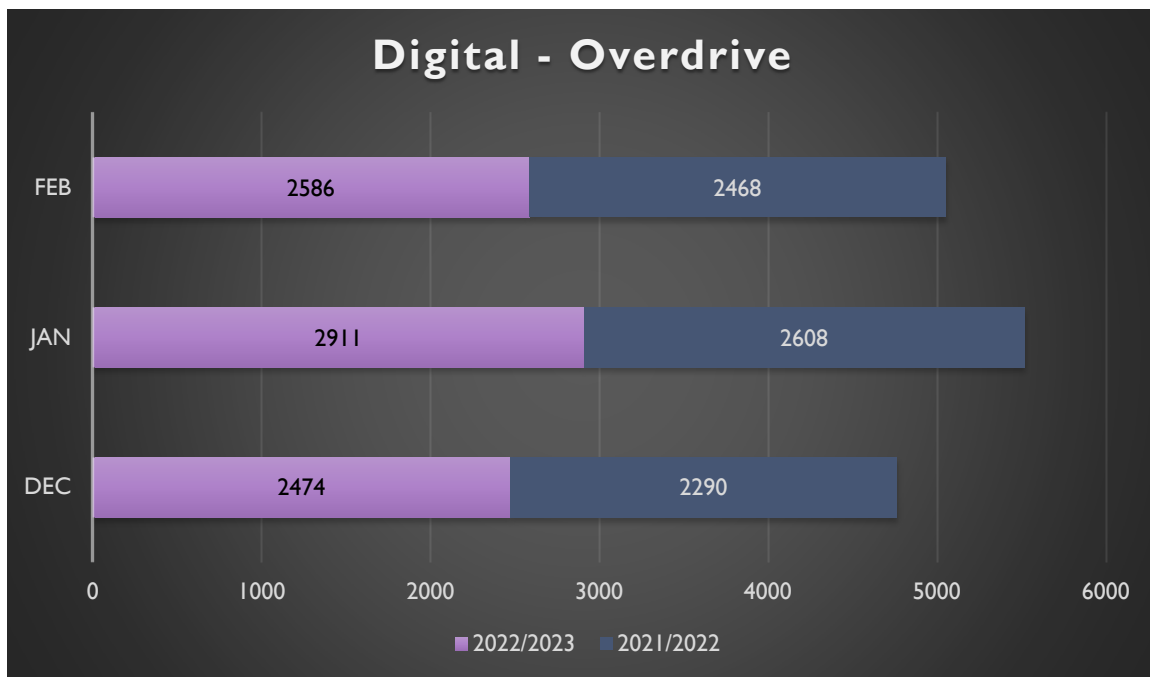
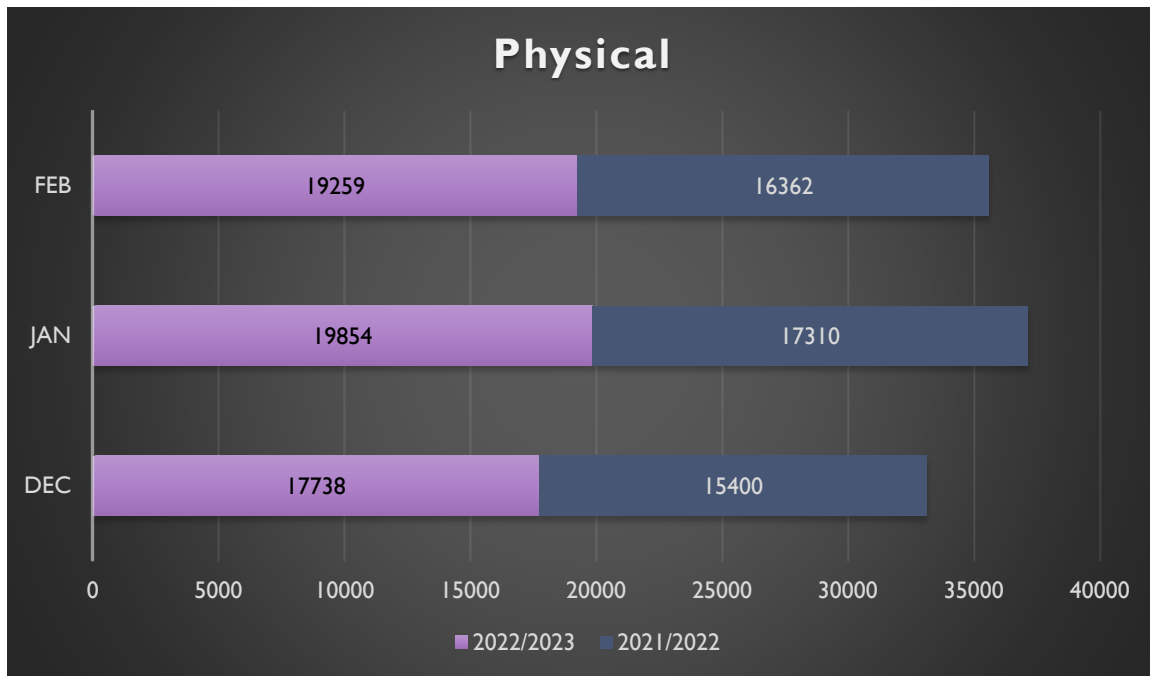


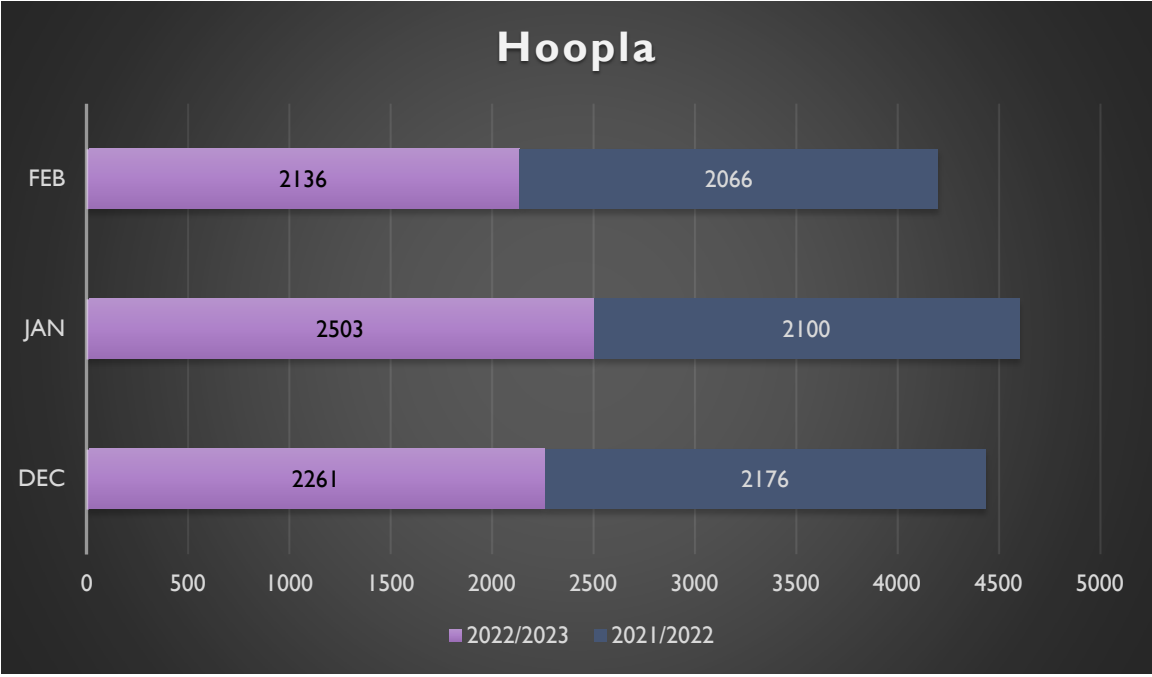
## CIRCULATION

## HOLDS PLACED



## CHECKOUTS





# Youth & Family Services Librarian Monthly Report

Laura Fentress

March 2023

## Since Last Report

### Prime Time Continues

#### Elementary - Mondays at 6pm    Preschool - Saturdays at 11am

February 27  
March 6  
March 13  
March 20  
March 27  
April 3

February 25  
March 4  
March 11  
March 18  
March 25  
April 1

### Spring Break Kids' Programs

Program Date	Program Name	Program Target Age Range	Total Program Attendance
March 3	<b>Dr. Seuss Birthday Bash</b>	Ages 6-11	<b>250</b>
March 6	<b>Construction Challenge</b> with LEGO, straws, planks, and more	Ages 6-11	<b>60</b>
March 7	<b>Family Tabletop Game Time</b>	All Ages	<b>22</b>
March 8	<b>Storytime</b> with special guest <b>Eddie the Comfort Dog</b>	All Ages	<b>60</b>
March 10	<b>Humanities Nebraska</b> presents <b>Storytelling and the Hispanic Oral Tradition</b> with Linda Garcia-Perez	All Ages	<b>24</b>

### Changes to Children's Area

- DVD/audio shelves moved to improve flow and visibility

### ARPA Youth Grant 2023 Progress

- Purchased a telescope and accessories
- Edgerton Portable Planetarium program has been booked for June 19

### Awaiting results of IEEE Science Kits for Public Libraries Grant Application

- Application has passed preliminary screening; results expected in March
- Would fund 9 science/STEM kits for ages 7 and up to be available for checkout (bringing the total to 10 including the telescope, above)
- Proposed kits include Forces & Motion, Geology, Magnets, Snap Circuits, Arduino, and more

## Upcoming

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### Planning to attend ALA Annual Conference

- June 23-26, Chicago, IL
- Partially funded with NLC and CPLS CE grants

### Summer Reading 2023 Programs "All Together Now" May 23 - July 31

Kids' Kickoff: Kindness Carnival **May 25 at 10:30**

Weekly programs run **May 30 - July 31** (no programs July 2-8)

Program Day & Time	Program Name & Description
Mondays at 10:30	<b>Mega Mondays.</b> See list of programs and guest presenters, below.
Mondays at 2:00	<b>Summer Reading Camp.</b> Formerly Summer Reading Enrichment. Kids in grades K-5 read in small groups with volunteers.
Tuesdays at 10:30	<b>Stories &amp; Crafts.</b> Aimed at kids 3-10.
Tuesdays at 2:00	<b>Big Kids Club.</b> Aimed at kids in grades 3-5.
Thursdays at 10:30	<b>Thursday Morning Read-Aloud.</b> <i>The Cricket in Times Square</i> by George Selden (1961 Newbery Honor). 1-3 chapters per session. Coloring pages and quiet fidget activities will be available. <i>Runs every week June 8-July 27.</i>
Fridays at 10:30	<b>Baby &amp; Toddler Lapsit Storytime.</b> Stories, songs, rhymes, and bounces. For babies and toddlers ages 0-2 and their caregivers.
Fridays at 2:00	<b>Golden Sower Fun Club</b> Storytime and crafts with Golden Sower Award nominated picture books.

### Kids' Art Show

- Runs in the Art Alcove **June 1-30**
- Submissions accepted May 23-June 7

### Mega Monday Special Guests (Mondays at 10:30)

- June 5: **Toby KID: Friendship Adventures**
- June 12: **Crane River Theater Page to Stage "The Spongebob Musical"**
- June 19: **Edgerton Portable Planetarium** (8 shows [all day]; registration required) (ARPA Youth Grant for Excellence)
- June 26: **Stomp Chomp Roar!** Dinosaur Program
- **No program July 3**
- July 10: **West African Kora** (harp) with Sean Gaskell
- July 17: **Jammin' Randy** music program
- July 24: **Dr. Oxygen's Science Party**
- July 31: **Fontenelle Forest Raptor Program** (11:00)

### Parks & Recreation outreach

- **Outreach storytimes** tentatively planned with Kinder Kamp at parks on Wednesdays
- Parks will also **borrow Makerspace STEAM activity kits** for use in their programs



- **STEM Workshops**
  - **Paper circuits** June 15
  - **Bristlebots** July 19 & 20

# TECHNOLOGY & TEEN SERVICES LIBRARIAN MONTHLY REPORT

*Erica Rogers*



## SINCE LAST REPORT

### Teen

- Spring Break Programs
  - Cosplay workshop--5 people
  - Cupcake Wars--12 people
- Other Programs
  - Anime Club: Boba Tea--19 people
- Teen DVD project
  - New TV series collection
- Summer Reading Program planning finished

### Makerspace

- New Binding machine
  - makes metal bound booklets and notebooks
- St. Patrick's day T-shirt program--8 people
- Inventory of supplies & equipment

### Other

- Working with Comprise on new Print release Kiosk installation
  - Sam Server has been upgraded



## STATISTICS

- Makerspace Users: 25
- Facebook followers: 5,111
- Instagram users: 729

## UPCOMING

### TEEN PROGRAMS

Anime Club  
Tuesday March 21 at 4pm  
*Making Mochi Ice Cream*

TLC  
Thursday April 7 at 4pm

Friday April 28 at 2pm

### TEEN GRAPHICS PROJECT

Separate Graphics & Manga titles. Move Manga titles next to Anime collection.

### GRAND COMIC FEST

Outreach booth at the event to promote Library Events

### POETRY MONTH

Several interactive displays in the Teen area to celebrate National Poetry Month

### MAKERSPACE PROGRAMS

Adults  
Monday April 10 at 6pm  
*Making succulent jars*

Teens  
Friday April 7 at 2pm

### TECHNOLOGY PLAN

Inventory of technology in the library and a long term replacement plan

<a href="#">4-H members help seed library take root</a>	<a href="#">2/5/2023</a>	<a href="#">NTV News</a>
<a href="#">GIPL: Beyond the Stacks: Laura Fentress: Snowy reads at your library</a>	<a href="#">2/5/2023</a>	<a href="#">GI Independent</a>
<a href="#">What's Going On: 'Sisters' on display at Grand Island library</a>	<a href="#">2/8/2023</a>	<a href="#">GI Independent</a>
<a href="#">Club Calendar-Adult Book Club/Altrusa International</a>	<a href="#">2/9/2023</a>	<a href="#">GI Independent</a>
<a href="#">The 1931 Hastings Bank Job and the Bloody Bandit Trail</a>	<a href="#">2/11/2023</a>	<a href="#">GI Independent</a>
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<a href="#">Library Sees Cardholder Increase</a>	<a href="#">2/14/2023</a>	<a href="#">Local4</a>
<a href="#">What's Going On: Grand Island area calendar of events-Kids &amp; Teens Winter Break Pro</a>	<a href="#">2/14/2023</a>	<a href="#">GI Independent</a>
<a href="#">GI Public Library adds creative teen makerspace</a>	<a href="#">2/15/2023</a>	<a href="#">Local4</a>
<a href="#">Grand Island City Council appoints interim city administrator (in article Celine presents</a>	<a href="#">2/16/2023</a>	<a href="#">GI Independent</a>
<a href="#">Police Substation News Release</a>	<a href="#">2/16/2023</a>	<a href="#">GI Independent</a>
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<a href="#">Police substation at library, step to reach out to community</a>		
<a href="#">An idea that had been in the works for 23 years finally sees light.</a>	<a href="#">2/20/2023</a>	<a href="#">NewsChannelNE</a>
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<a href="#">GIPL:Beyond the Stacks Celine Swan: A sense of commUNITY at your library</a>	<a href="#">2/26/2023</a>	<a href="#">GI Independent</a>
<a href="#">Grand Island Public Library offers spring break programs</a>	<a href="#">2/27/2023</a>	<a href="#">GI Independent</a>
<a href="#">Interview with Erica Rogers-KRGI Community Connects</a>	<a href="#">2/28/2023</a>	<a href="#">KRGI</a>
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