
Library Board

Monday, May 15, 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: May 2023

Since Last Report

April

- Media Report, Shaun, Laura, and Erica Report,
- Shaun/Celine/Laura/Erica worked on updating Library policies with Anna and Tanya
- Art Exhibit for April was Crossing the Line Art Exhibitit-UNK, reception
- Erica technical duties update of Comprise Kiosk-Library Improvement Grant, Digital Mobile Lab, Makerspace improvements
- April 1 Spanish Early Childhood Conference-Grow with Words/Library at College Park
- April 1 and 3 PrimeTime finished programs, Tanya and her guest participated April 3
- April 12 outreach to O'Connor Learning Centers to promote the Bear Fair
- AARP finished up
- April 13 Quiz Bowl. 4 Library staff are volunteering to help and one husband of staff
- April 17 Bear Fair 9 am-12:30 pm and 4-7:30 pm
- April 18 Ad Hoc meeting-Library/community 5:15 pm
- April 18 Lincoln School Visit Library
- April 20 Outreach to Howard Elementary-Celine and Nai went out.
- April 21-23 is Comic Con. Library had a table Sat April 22 9-4 pm. Laura, Elle, and Erica
- April 27 Grand Island Help Initiative 9 am-12 noon at GIPD Celine attended
- April 28 Grand Generation Sock Hop-Library has a booth. Susie and Chris went out.
- National Library Week April 23-29. The Foundation and Library have a week of events. Lunch was brought in for the staff. Outreach, volunteers, and patron appreciation. Book title emoji contest.

Upcoming-Library work

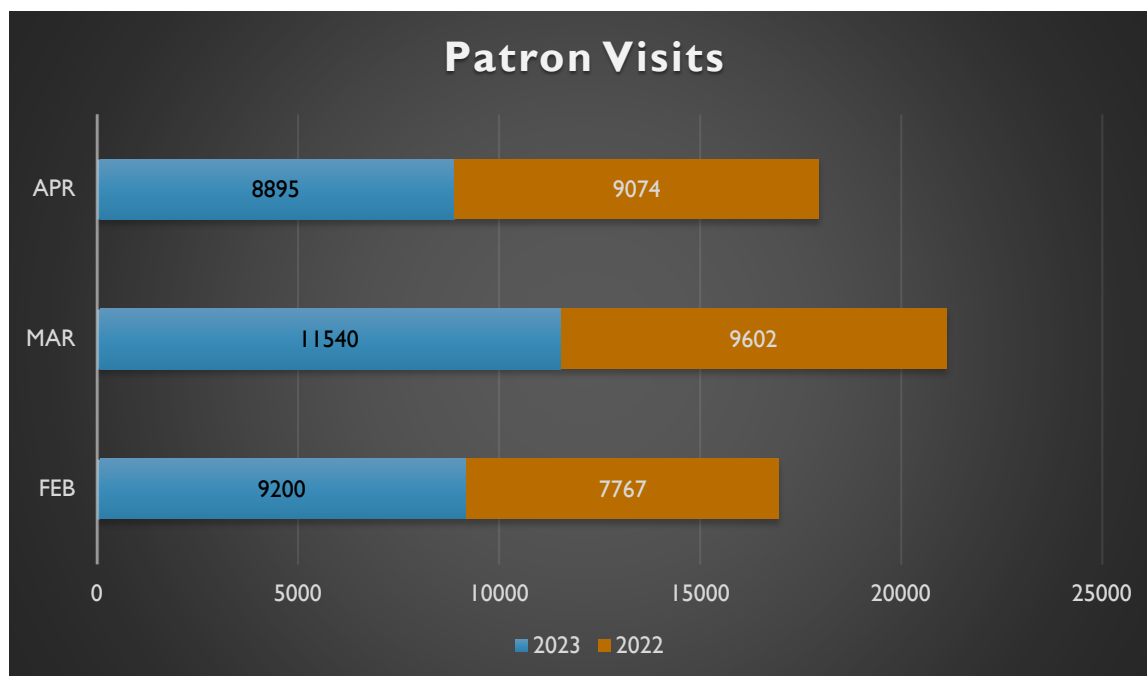
- Library Policy Work, Interlocal Agreement, Volunteer Promotions, CivicPlus update, Library kiosk research, Charging Station information from Leigh-Foundation Board
- Dollar General Grant for Backpack Literacy-Libby put the grant in (Laura, Leigh and I)
- Art Exhibit for May is Casey Hansen, Art reception had over 50 attend.
- Safety-update on survey with staff, GI Police training-soon, Update on police call stats
- Go Big Give Day May 4, The Library Foundation made over \$7,000. The Library Foundation Board won the Board Match Prize of \$500. Lots of media coverage
- Annual Plant and Seed Exchange May 6 over 150 took part
- Updates-Police Substation Ad Hoc Meeting May 8
- Strategic Plan Work-Literacy Council Students/Janet Cordell will work on 4 lang. signage
- Tosca Lee author event, Sunday May 21 4 pm for the public in the foyer, 5 pm special ticketed event with boxed dinner from the Chocolate Bar
- 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,
- Air Show June 3, 2023 NE Chautauqua July 21-22 programs with Humanities NE,Stuhr for youth at the Library, August 17 USCIS Naturalization Ceremony at the Library, August-Sept State Fair tbd
- Neighborhood Night Out-Library is a pickup a packet/sign spot-Grow Grand Island grant

GRAND ISLAND PUBLIC LIBRARY

APR 2023 STATS OVERVIEW & COMPARISON

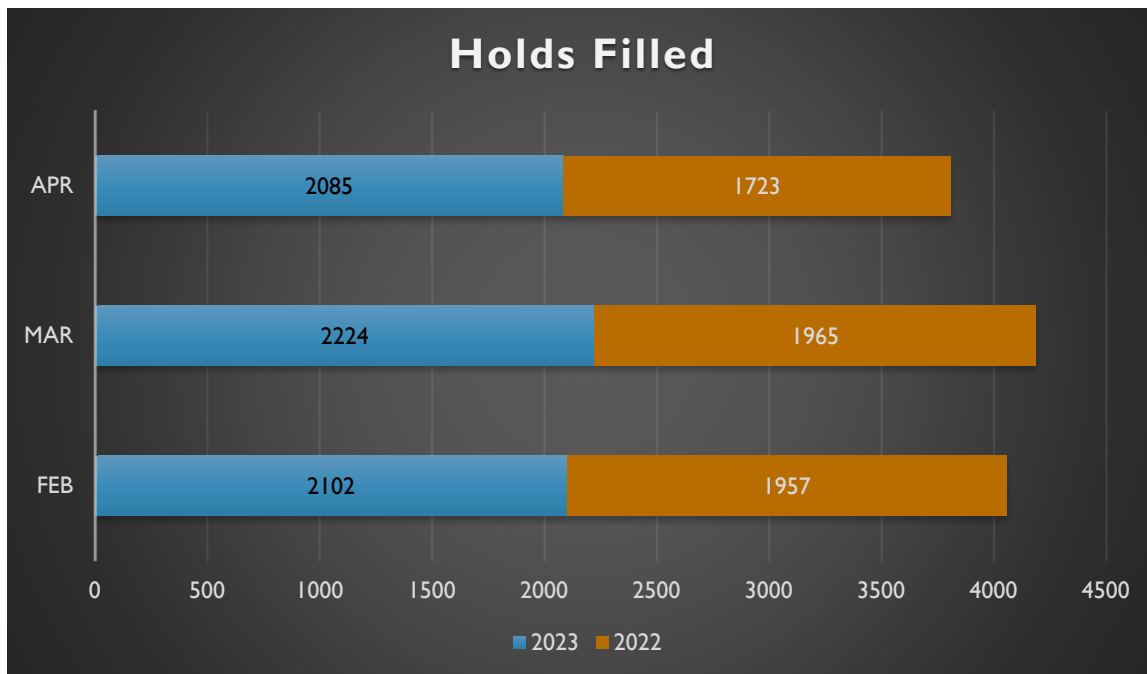
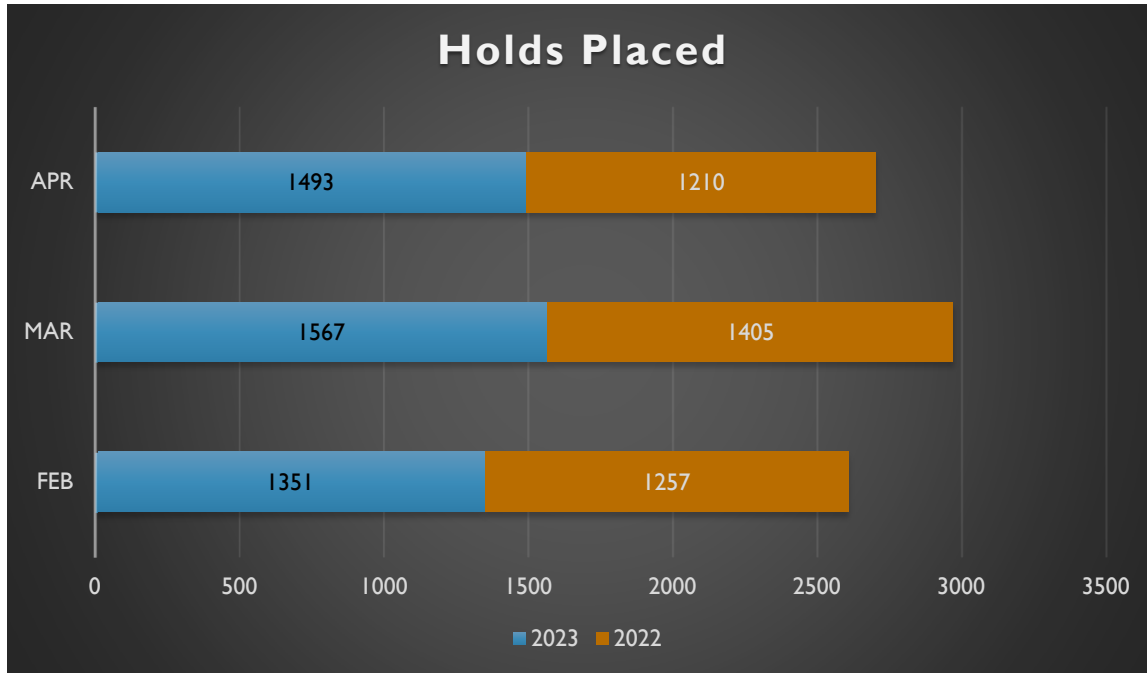


PATRON VISITS – PREVIOUS THREE MONTHS

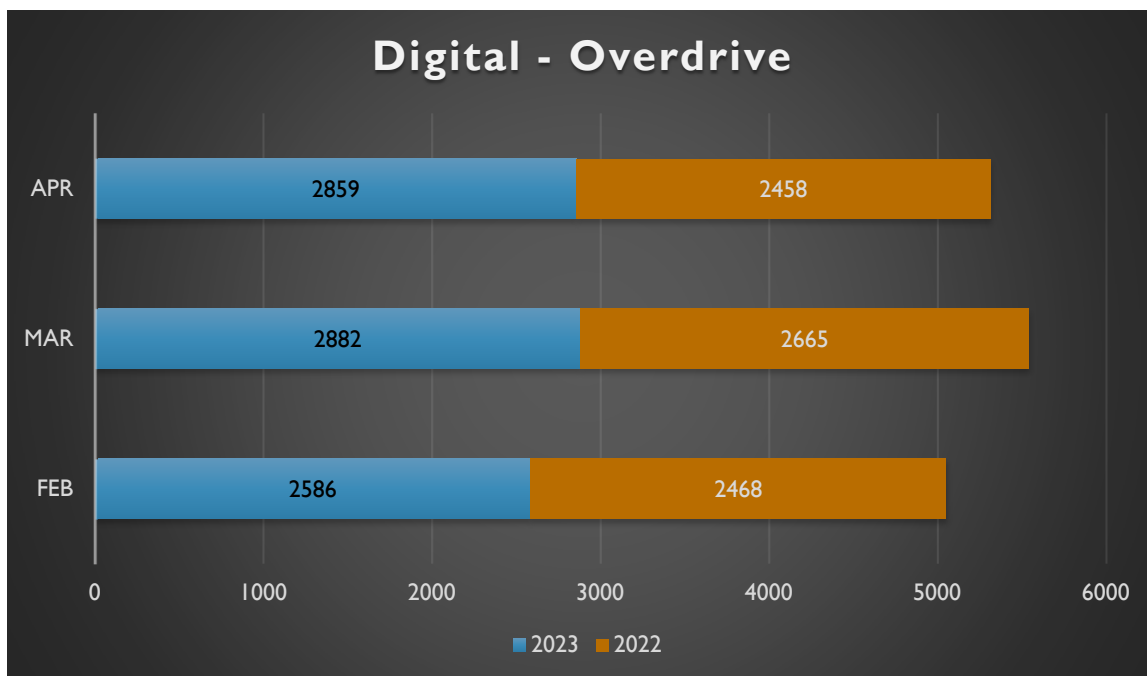
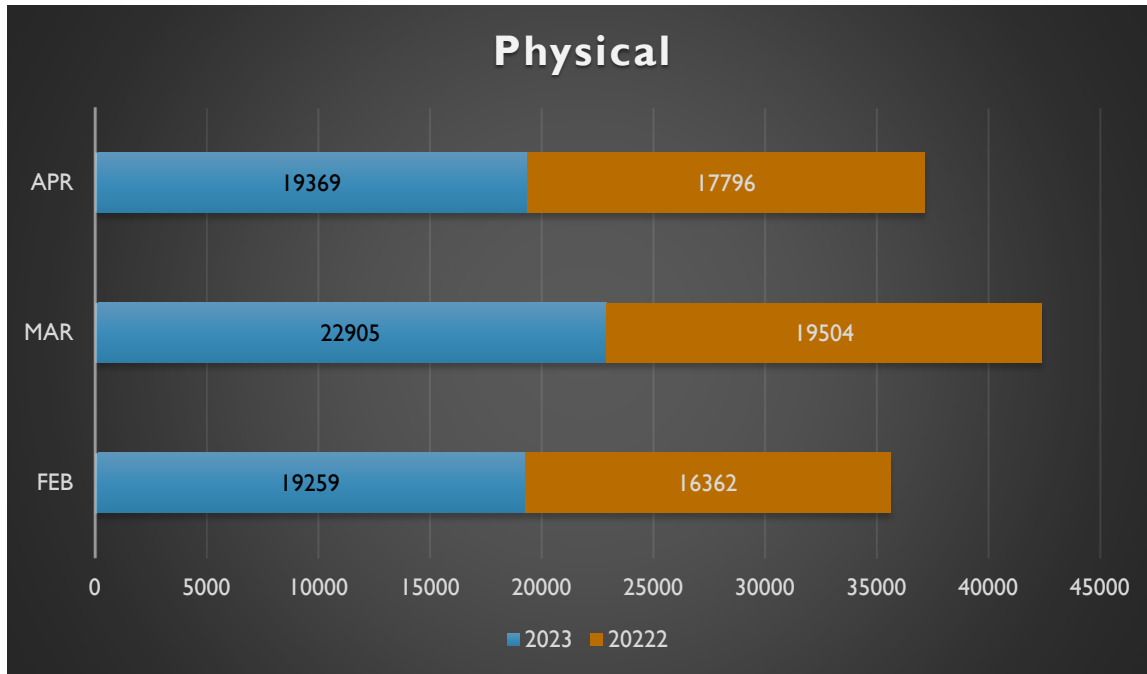


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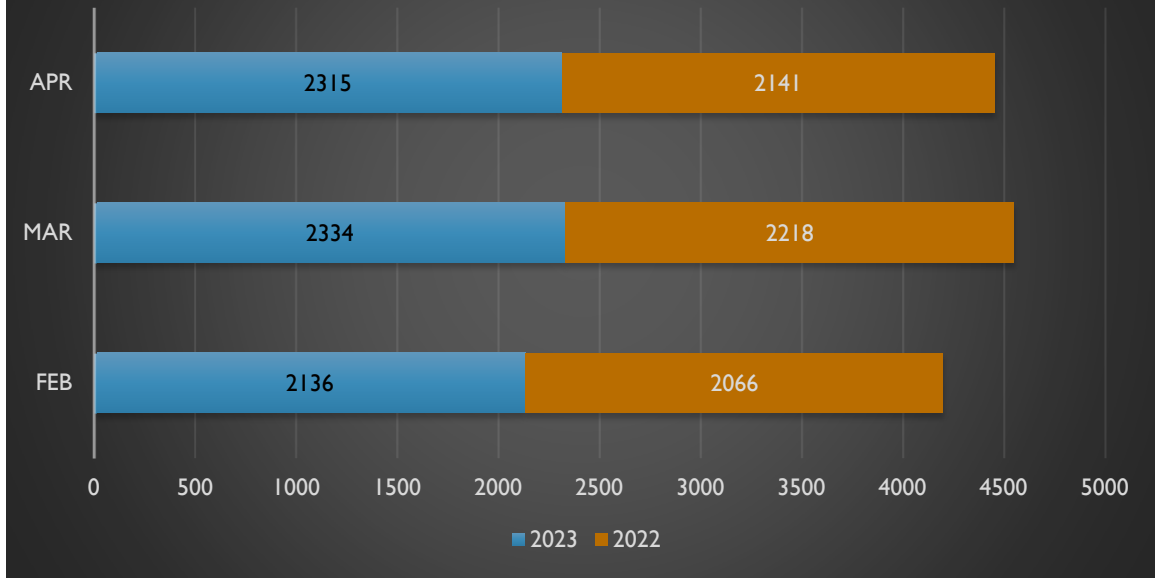
HOLDS PLACED



CHECKOUTS (INCLUDING RENEWALS & IN-HOUSE USE)



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Youth & Family Services Librarian Monthly Report

Laura Fentress

May 2023

Since Last Report

Toddler Scavenger Hunt borrowed 4 times in April

Bear Fair April 17

- 2 sessions: 9:30 AM-12:30 PM and 4:00-7:30 PM
- Roughly 300 people in attendance, and lots of local news coverage!

Lincoln Family Library Night April 18

Families were given a self-directed scavenger hunt that would take them around the Children’s Area.

Total attendees: **8 students (est. 26 people total)**

	Number		Notes
First time at the library	1 student		Self-reported
Did not have a library card before	6 students		Self-reported
Scavenger hunts completed	13	English 12	Collected from attendees
		Spanish 1	
New library card sign-ups	0		No new library accounts created between 5:00 and 8:00 PM.
Primary language	English	3 students	Self-reported
	Spanish	3 students	Self-reported
	Both English & Spanish	1 student	Self-reported

Other outreach

- **Howard Family Night** April 20
 - Celine and bilingual staff attended
- **Doniphan Trumbull school assembly** May 5
 - Erica and Laura presented to 235-student K-6 elementary school and dropped off posters for classrooms and flyers for kids to take home

Laskowski Endowment

- We have purchased and received a **new area rug for Bookingham**

Upcoming

Grant progress

- **ARPA Youth Grant for Excellence 2023** – planetarium program has been booked; telescope is still undergoing modifications
- **IEEE Science Kits for Public Libraries grant** – we have been awarded \$1,500 for the purchase of circulating science kits and are awaiting the funds' arrival
- **Laskowski Endowment** – we have ordered a Fairfield Parent+Child Carrel from TMC Furniture that is currently being constructed. Expected delivery date is June.



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 2:00

Weekly programs run May 30 - July 31

(no programs July 2-8, except Thursday Morning Read-Aloud)

Program Day & Time	Program Name & Description
Mondays at 10:30	Mega Mondays. See list of programs and guest presenters, below.
Mondays at 2:00	Summer Reading Camp. Formerly Summer Reading Enrichment. Kids in grades K-5 read in small groups with volunteers.
Tuesdays at 10:30	Stories & Crafts. Aimed at kids 3-10.
Tuesdays at 2:00	Big Kids Club. Aimed at kids in grades 3-5.
Thursdays at 10:30	Thursday Morning Read-Aloud. <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	Baby & Toddler Lapsit Storytime. Stories, songs, rhymes, and bounces. For babies and toddlers ages 0-2 and their caregivers.
Fridays at 2:00	Golden Sower Fun Club. 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

Stuhr Museum/Humanities Nebraska Chautauqua partnership

- In connection with the Humanities Nebraska Chautauqua planned for July 21-22 at Stuhr Museum, the Library will host related activities for kids the preceding **Wednesday, July 19.**
- We are working with the Director of Education at Stuhr to plan these activities.

Humanities Nebraska program

- **Music from Around the World** with David Marsh
- Sunday, August 6 at 2:00 PM

TECHNOLOGY & TEEN SERVICES LIBRARIAN MONTHLY REPORT

Erica Rogers



Teens from GICC decorated the Teen Area for Summer Reading

SINCE LAST REPORT

Teen

- Programs
 - Anime Club: Candy Sushi: 9 people
 - TLC: 2 people
- Students from GI Central Catholic came and decorated windows for summer reading
- Summer Reading planning
 - outreach to Doniphan to hype it up
 - planning SRP kickoff
 - planning prizes
 - Water bottles and stickers made in the makerspace

Makerspace

- New Sublimation Printer
 - more efficient
 - Less ink waste
- Made Trellises for plant exchange
- appointments picking up
- Take & Make Succulent Jar class: 19 people
- AARP tour & possible collaboration meeting

Other

- New Print release Kiosk installed
- Comic Fest outreach around 150 people



STATISTICS

- Makerspace Users: 57
- Facebook followers: 5,173
- Instagram users: 753

Ellie, Laura, and Erica promoting the library with costumes made in the Makerspace at Comic Fest

UPCOMING

TEEN PROGRAMS

Anime Club

Tuesday May 16 at 4pm

Making Onigiri

(Japanese Rice Balls)

Teen After Hours (SRP Kickoff)

Tuesday June 5 at 7:45pm

T-shirt Engineers Field Trip

Monday June 12 at 10am

NEW COPIER

New copier to go with the kiosk will be coming soon

MAKERSPACE PROGRAMS

Adults

Monday May 15 at 6pm

Make & Take Patriotic

Fringe Flag

TECHNOLOGY PLAN

Working on getting new copiers, all under the same vendor

SUMMER READING KICKOFF

Reading Challenges officially start on May 23

SUMMER OUTREACH

Westridge Summer School
June 14

Walnut Summer School
June 20

Calendar of Club Events: Grand Island Public Library Adult Book Club	4/2/2023	GI Independent
BookBop	4/2/2023	NewsChannelNE
GIPL: BEYOND THE STACKS-Celine Swan: Dr. Seuss or 'Harry Potter'	4/2/2023	GI Independent
https://1077theisland.com/events/369184/#	4/7/2023	KSYZ Radio
Homeschool Program	4/9/2023	NewsChannelNE
GIPL: BEYOND THE STACKS: Erica Rogers:For the Love of Comics	4/9/2023	GI Independent
Grand Island to celebrate National Library Week	4/12/2023	Local4News
Annual Bear Fair Returns to the Library	4/13/2023	GI Independent
What's Going On: Events calendar for Grand Island area: Sheep King: The Story of Robert Taylor	4/13/2023	GI Independent
Bear Fair 2023	4/13/2023	NewsChannelNE
GIPL: BEYOND THE STACKS: Laura Fentress- Libraries and comics and bears, oh my!	4/16/2023	GI Independent
Bear Fair Ad in the newspaper	4/16/2023	GI Independent
Little paws learn to stay healthy at Bear Fair	4/17/2023	NTV News
20th annual "Bear Fair" a roaring success in Grand Island	4/17/2023	Local4News
20TH ANNUAL GRAND ISLAND BEAR FAIR ATTRACTS KIDS TO LIBRARY	4/17/2023	NewsChannelNE
KSYZ- Bear Fair Promotion on the air	4/17/2023	KSYZ Radio
Teen Anime Manga Club	4/20/2023	NewsChannelNE
GIPL: BEYOND THE STACKS: Celine Swan-There's More to the Story During National Library Week!	4/23/2023	GI Independent
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Club calendar for May 2023	4/30/2023	GI Independent
GIPL: BEYOND THE STACKS-Leigh Lillibridge: Library foundation benefits from Go Big	4/30/2023	GI Independent
What's Going On: Area events calendar	5/4/2023	GI Independent
Go Big Give	5/4/2023	Local4News
Go Big Give supporting over 150 nonprofits	5/4/2023	Local4News
Big Winners No Whammies	5/5/2023	GI Independent
GIPL: BEYOND THE STACKS-Shaun Klee: Adults kick off summer reading with author	5/7/2023	GI Independent
Registration open for library's summer reading programs (copy)	5/9/2023	GI Independent
GIPL: BEYOND THE STACKS-Erica Rogers	5/14/2023	GI Independent