

Informational Packet

Lawrence Public Library Friends & Foundation Board September 2023

There is no board meeting in September. This packet provides updates on Friends & Foundation financials, committee meetings and special projects. The board will meet next on Monday, October 23 at 5:30 pm.

Executive Director's report

Committee reports

1. Finance
2. On-site book sales
3. Internet sales
4. Membership and fundraising
5. Advocacy

Special Projects

Library Landscapes 2023 presents: "Unfurled" by Joelle Ford

Calendar

Sept 19 – Nov 7: Booktoberfest ([Check out the details here](#))

Friday, October 6: 2023 Library Landscapes Launch

Thursday, October 19: Friends & Foundation Book Sale Members Night

Friday, October 20 – Sunday, October 22: Friends & Foundation Public Book Sale

Monday, October 23: Friends & Foundation Board meeting

LPL Friends & Foundation Director's Report - September 22, 2023

Interim Library Director job. Brad's officially started his sabbatical on September 19th. He and I finished our work to temporarily transition his director duties to me. We have shared information on recurring meetings, accounts, passwords, key contacts, and other essential information to ensure that the 12 weeks run smoothly. The entire library team is incredibly competent and eager to help. Together, we've got this.

Second Saturday Sale a Smashing Success. On Saturday, September 9th, the Friends & Foundation hosted a record breaking book sale. In total, the sale raised \$6,100 for the library – double the amount usually earned at a Second Saturday Sale. The onsite sales committee is delighted by the results and is working to dissect what the secret success sauce was on that day. Congratulations!

Estate Planning Presentation. On Tuesday, September 19, I joined Chip Blaser from Douglas County Community Foundation (DCCF) in speaking to the Douglas County Estate Planning Council. There were approximately 50 estate attorneys and financial advisors in attendance. It was a great opportunity to provide information on the Friends & Foundation's Before You Check Out program.

Capitol Federal Foundation Application. The Friends & Foundation has applied to the Capitol Federal Foundation requesting that it renew our grant for Retirement Boot Camp for additional two years (2024 and 2025) at \$26,000. Cap Fed has supported the program for the last two years. In that time period, the list of "regulars" has grown from 350 to 975 people. Retirement Boot Camp has truly struck a chord in Lawrence's older adult community. Its goal is to keep retirees engaged through learning, connections, and fun.

After Hours at the Library 2024. The Friends & Foundation Fundraising Committee held its first planning meeting this week to start brainstorming for After Hours at the Library 2024. Our hope is to shake things up a bit this year. Mark your calendars for Friday, March 1st and get ready to attend another fantastic library party! (See minutes in this packet)

Banned Books Week is October 1 - 7. Our Banned Books Week Library Landscape poster project is ready to launch. Joelle Ford, a Lawrence Artist specializing in collage, has created "Unfurled," an artwork created from banned book covers that will be unveiled on Friday, October 6th. Thanks to Colette and Ron Gaches for making this project possible. (See images and details below)

Fall Book Sale. The Friends & Foundation's Fall Book Sale is just around the corner. Members Night happens on Thursday, October 19th and the public sale runs from Friday, October 20th through Sunday, October 22nd. Be sure to visit the book garage and stock up on great reads!

End of Year Fundraising Campaign Key Dates

October 13: Letters to New Chapter members mailed

November 1: 2023 Annual Letter to printer; mail date is November 15

November 28: DCCF Giving for Good project launch (for Retirement Boot Camp fund)

December 16: Seasons Readings Book Sale with City Band Concert



LAWRENCE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Financial Highlights: August 2023

From the Balance Sheet:	Amount
Current total assets	\$3,587,820.78
Previous year's total assets	\$3,420,769.31
Difference	\$167,051.47
From the Fund Report:	
Total balance in unrestricted checking	\$303,839.43
Total balance in restricted checking	\$101,146.51
Total balance unrestricted and restricted checking	\$404,985.94
From the Revenue & Expenditures Report:	
Monthly total income	\$21,689.06
Year to date total income	\$609,849.54
Total monthly operations expenses	\$2,539.13
Total year to date operations expenses	\$99,524.80
Total monthly expenses	\$5,747.45
Total year to date expenses	\$501,170.99
Net monthly income	\$15,941.61
Net year to date income	\$108,678.55
Monthly gifts to the library	\$3,208.32
Year to date gifts to the library	\$401,646.19
From the Budget Report	
Percent of operating budget spent	47.8%
Percent of year completed	66.7%

Highlights for August 2023

Total monthly book sales: \$12,336.31
Total donations: \$9,351.36
Stories for All Grant for mural: \$4,000

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Balance Sheet

Accrual Basis

As of August 31, 2023

	Aug 31, 23	Aug 31, 22
ASSETS		
Current Assets		
Checking/Savings		
Cap Fed CD *8767	20,400.00	0.00
Cap Fed- CD *7312	25,000.00	0.00
Cap Fed -CD *7311	25,340.10	0.00
Checking	335,440.11	590,502.66
Endowed Funds at DCCF		
DCCF--Katzman		
Cumulative URG/L Katzman	411.55	0.00
DCCF--Katzman - Other	24,086.10	0.00
Total DCCF--Katzman	24,497.65	0.00
DCCF - Capital Improvement		
Cumulative URG/L Capital Improv	7,650.19	7,650.19
DCCF - Capital Improvement - Other	-7,650.19	-7,650.19
Total DCCF - Capital Improvement	0.00	0.00
DCCF - General Endowment		
Cumulative URG/L Gen.Endowment	96,948.95	23,300.29
DCCF - General Endowment - Other	1,314,571.07	1,208,702.76
Total DCCF - General Endowment	1,411,520.02	1,232,003.05
DCCF - Eggert Fund		
DCCF - Cumulative URG/L Eggert	-12,758.40	-22,082.00
DCCF - Eggert Fund - Other	187,732.42	182,296.44
Total DCCF - Eggert Fund	174,974.02	160,214.44
DCCF - Milliken Fund		
Cumulative URG/L Milliken	12,929.00	8,746.11
DCCF - Milliken Fund - Other	65,570.66	63,132.10
Total DCCF - Milliken Fund	78,499.66	71,878.21
DCCF - Steiner Fund		
Cumulative URG/L Steiner	6,575.15	4,831.05
DCCF - Steiner Fund - Other	26,156.33	25,139.55
Total DCCF - Steiner Fund	32,731.48	29,970.60
DCCF - Beach Fund - NEH		
Cumulative URG/L Beach	16,751.25	-6,206.94
DCCF - Beach Fund - NEH - Other	414,087.32	400,705.71
Total DCCF - Beach Fund - NEH	430,838.57	394,498.77
DCCF - Dr. Bob Fund		
Cumulative URG/L Dr. Bob	5,318.93	2,250.00
DCCF - Dr. Bob Fund - Other	52,328.55	50,440.44
Total DCCF - Dr. Bob Fund	57,647.48	52,690.44
DCCF - Greatest Expect. - NEH		
Cumulative URG/L GE-General	9,955.70	-38,188.03
DCCF - Greatest Expect. - NEH - Other	893,599.24	865,505.53
Total DCCF - Greatest Expect. - NEH	903,554.94	827,317.50
DCCF - Sound & Vision/Creativit		
Cumulative URG/L Sound & Vision	211.36	-1,560.17
DCCF - Sound & Vision/Creativit - Other	33,034.51	32,002.37
Total DCCF - Sound & Vision/Creativit	33,245.87	30,442.20

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As of August 31, 2023

	Aug 31, 23	Aug 31, 22
DCCF - Coan Local History - NEH		
Cumulative URG/L Coan	1,113.08	-705.58
DCCF - Coan Local History - NEH - Other	33,017.80	31,957.02
Total DCCF - Coan Local History - NEH	34,130.88	31,251.44
Total Endowed Funds at DCCF	3,181,640.57	2,830,266.65
Total Checking/Savings	3,587,820.78	3,420,769.31
Total Current Assets	3,587,820.78	3,420,769.31
TOTAL ASSETS	3,587,820.78	3,420,769.31
LIABILITIES & EQUITY		
Liabilities		
Current Liabilities		
Accounts Payable		
Accounts Payable	1,194.27	0.00
Total Accounts Payable	1,194.27	0.00
Total Current Liabilities	1,194.27	0.00
Total Liabilities	1,194.27	0.00
Equity		
Opening Balance Equity	1,883,357.44	1,883,357.44
Unrestricted Net Assets	1,594,590.52	1,831,719.05
Net Income	108,678.55	-294,307.18
Total Equity	3,586,626.51	3,420,769.31
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	3,587,820.78	3,420,769.31

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Fund Report

As of August 31, 2023

	Aug 31, 23
Restricted Checking	
Beach Fund	577.34
Capital Campaign	402.64
Coggins Outreach	8,963.16
Nancy Pat (Crowe)	220.00
Dottie Maintenance	7,330.18
Greatest Expectations-General	9,187.16
Honor With Books	325.00
Music Storytellers	9,642.03
Outdoor Programs	4,204.78
Retirement Boot Camp	24,678.37
Storytelling/Steiner Fund	3,766.52
Stories for All---Mural	4,000.00
Technology	25,000.00
Youth Services and Cigler Fund	2,849.33
Total Restricted Checking	101,146.51
Unrestricted Checking	
Book Sales	126,144.16
Donations	33,024.75
Events	
After Hours	48,853.90
Events - Other	3,587.08
Total Events	52,440.98
New Chapter Society	26,423.19
Posters	1,248.64
Reserve Fund	70,400.00
Unrestricted Checking - Other	-5,842.29
Total Unrestricted Checking	303,839.43
TOTAL	404,985.94

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Revenue & Expenditures

Accrual Basis

August 2023

	Aug 23	Jan - Aug 23
Ordinary Income/Expense		
Income		
Fund Transfer Income	0.00	0.00
Book Sales		
Internet Sales	10,690.62	55,612.71
On-Site Book Sales	1,645.69	81,782.44
Book Sales - Other	0.00	50.18
Total Book Sales	12,336.31	137,445.33
Direct Public Support		
Programming	0.00	0.00
Merchandise Sales	361.64	1,874.06
Fundraising Events	0.00	75,820.29
Restricted Donations	5,965.67	133,491.86
Unrestricted Donations	3,024.05	63,671.58
Total Direct Public Support	9,351.36	274,857.79
Interest Income	1.39	356.62
Investments		
Unrealized Gain (Loss)	0.00	170,811.37
Investments - Other	0.00	26,378.43
Total Investments	0.00	197,189.80
Total Income	21,689.06	609,849.54
Gross Profit	21,689.06	609,849.54
Expense		
Operations		
Merchandise Expenses	106.28	1,306.13
Event Expenses	513.95	8,223.07
Book Sale Expenses	571.15	7,368.49
Internet Sales Supplies	569.79	3,178.94
Contract Services		
Accounting Fees	0.00	1,255.00
Payroll Expenses	0.00	55,265.06
Heath Care Benefits	0.00	10,278.58
Total Contract Services	0.00	66,798.64
Insurance - Liability, D and O	0.00	1,388.00
Admin Expenses		
Merger Expenses	0.00	142.71
Postage, Mailing Service	0.00	452.54
Supplies	24.35	358.62
Technology Web Site & Database	0.00	184.50
Admin Expenses - Other	0.00	98.00
Total Admin Expenses	24.35	1,236.37
Publicity	0.00	425.00
Bank Charges & Credit Card Fees	126.14	1,345.78
Donor Outreach, Author Recepton	15.93	924.48
Miscellaneous	340.00	715.24
Newsletter	0.00	520.33
Annual Mtg, Volunteers, Merger,	286.37	2,001.15
Rent	0.00	600.00
Professional Fees		
Conference, Convention, Meeting	-14.83	1,689.40
Professional Fees - Other	0.00	1,803.78
Total Professional Fees	-14.83	3,493.18
Total Operations	2,539.13	99,524.80
Restricted Fund Expenditures		
Spent by Foundation	3,208.32	34,371.30
Transfer to Library	0.00	179,922.64
Restricted Fund Expenditures - Other	0.00	14,634.77

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August 2023

	<u>Aug 23</u>	<u>Jan - Aug 23</u>
Total Restricted Fund Expenditures	3,208.32	228,928.71
Unrestricted Dist. to Library	0.00	172,717.48
Total Expense	5,747.45	501,170.99
Net Ordinary Income	15,941.61	108,678.55
Net Income	<u>15,941.61</u>	<u>108,678.55</u>

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Accrual Basis

Type	Date	Name	Memo	Class	Amount
Ordinary Income/Expense					
Income					
Book Sales					
Internet Sales					
Deposit	08/01/2023		Amazon 7/15-29/23	Unrestricted Checking:Book Sales	2,652.25
General Journal	08/02/2023		EBay refund	Unrestricted Checking:Book Sales	-3.92
General Journal	08/02/2023		EBay refund	Unrestricted Checking:Book Sales	-47.42
Deposit	08/04/2023		EBay	Unrestricted Checking:Book Sales	357.12
Deposit	08/14/2023		Amazon 7/29-8/12/23	Unrestricted Checking:Book Sales	2,374.86
Deposit	08/18/2023		EBay	Unrestricted Checking:Book Sales	207.23
Deposit	08/21/2023		Amazon 6/22 - 8/17/23	Unrestricted Checking:Book Sales	8.60
Deposit	08/22/2023		Thrift Books	Unrestricted Checking:Book Sales	303.18
Deposit	08/29/2023		EBay	Unrestricted Checking:Book Sales	640.65
Deposit	08/31/2023		Amazon 8/12-26/23	Unrestricted Checking:Book Sales	4,198.07
Total Internet Sales					10,690.62
On-Site Book Sales					
Deposit	08/02/2023		Square 8/1/23	Unrestricted Checking:Book Sales	4.92
Deposit	08/03/2023		Square 8/2/23	Unrestricted Checking:Book Sales	0.19
Deposit	08/07/2023		Square 8/6/23	Unrestricted Checking:Book Sales	7.53
Deposit	08/07/2023		Square 8/6/23	Unrestricted Checking:Book Sales	6.50
Deposit	08/08/2023		Square 8/7/23	Unrestricted Checking:Book Sales	2.31
Deposit	08/09/2023		Square 8/8/23	Unrestricted Checking:Book Sales	12.02
Deposit	08/10/2023		Square 8/9/23	Unrestricted Checking:Book Sales	1.64
Deposit	08/11/2023		Square 8/10/23	Unrestricted Checking:Book Sales	4.93
Deposit	08/14/2023		Square 8/13/23	Unrestricted Checking:Book Sales	4.55
Deposit	08/14/2023		Square 8/13/23	Unrestricted Checking:Book Sales	2.61
Deposit	08/15/2023		Square 8/14/23	Unrestricted Checking:Book Sales	2.13
Deposit	08/15/2023		8/8/23 Sales	Unrestricted Checking:Book Sales	138.30
Deposit	08/15/2023		7/31/23	Unrestricted Checking:Book Sales	216.34
Deposit	08/15/2023		8/11/23	Unrestricted Checking:Book Sales	596.75
Deposit	08/18/2023		Square 8/17/23	Unrestricted Checking:Book Sales	6.50
Deposit	08/21/2023		Square 8/20/23	Unrestricted Checking:Book Sales	6.19
Deposit	08/22/2023		Square 8/21/23	Unrestricted Checking:Book Sales	5.53
Deposit	08/25/2023		Cash/Checks	Unrestricted Checking:Book Sales	342.55
Deposit	08/25/2023		Square 8/24/23	Unrestricted Checking:Book Sales	260.81
Deposit	08/28/2023		Square 8/27/23	Unrestricted Checking:Book Sales	10.75
Deposit	08/28/2023		Square 8/27/23	Unrestricted Checking:Book Sales	1.83
Deposit	08/28/2023		Square 8/27/23	Unrestricted Checking:Book Sales	5.22
Deposit	08/30/2023		Square 8/29/23	Unrestricted Checking:Book Sales	1.64
Deposit	08/31/2023		Square 8/30/23	Unrestricted Checking:Book Sales	3.95
Total On-Site Book Sales					1,645.69
Total Book Sales					12,336.31
Direct Public Support					
Merchandise Sales					
Deposit	08/13/2023		Hoffman, M	Unrestricted Checking:Posters	101.64
Deposit	08/21/2023		Library Landscapes	Unrestricted Checking:Posters	260.00
Total Merchandise Sales					361.64
Restricted Donations					
Deposit	08/01/2023		Clement, S	Restricted Checking:Retirement ...	103.00
Deposit	08/02/2023		Hageman, J	Restricted Checking:Retirement ...	100.00
Deposit	08/13/2023		Skie, S	Restricted Checking:Retirement ...	50.00
Deposit	08/13/2023		Whitenight, J	Restricted Checking:Retirement ...	10.00
Deposit	08/15/2023		Field Trip Fees	Restricted Checking:Retirement ...	223.00
Deposit	08/17/2023		Thacker, M	Restricted Checking:Retirement ...	103.00
Deposit	08/18/2023		Penzler, C&C (Wine & BBQ - Katzman)	Restricted Checking:Retirement ...	100.00
Deposit	08/18/2023		Sherr, Z (Wine & BBQ - Katzman)	Restricted Checking:Retirement ...	200.00
Deposit	08/18/2023		Morgan, S&K (Katzman)	Restricted Checking:Retirement ...	100.00
Deposit	08/18/2023		City Wine Market (Reimbursement)	Restricted Checking:Retirement ...	741.67
Deposit	08/25/2023		Hamilton, R&C (RBC)	Restricted Checking:Retirement ...	100.00
Deposit	08/25/2023		KU Endowment (Hall Center for the Humanities)	Restricted Checking:Stories for Al...	4,000.00
Deposit	08/28/2023		Lambertson, S	DCCF Funds:General Endowment	20.00
Deposit	08/31/2023		RBC - Cash	Restricted Checking:Retirement ...	115.00
Total Restricted Donations					5,965.67
Unrestricted Donations					
Deposit	08/01/2023		Fales, M	Unrestricted Checking:Donations	25.75
Deposit	08/01/2023		Dickinson, A	Unrestricted Checking:Donations	25.00
Deposit	08/01/2023		Patterson, M	Unrestricted Checking:Donations	10.00
Deposit	08/01/2023		Keller, E	Unrestricted Checking:Donations	10.00
Deposit	08/01/2023		Marples, M	Unrestricted Checking:Donations	10.00
Deposit	08/01/2023		Jackson, B	Unrestricted Checking:Donations	5.15
Deposit	08/01/2023		Rothnie, C	Unrestricted Checking:Donations	5.15
Deposit	08/01/2023		Hill, K	Unrestricted Checking:Donations	51.50
Deposit	08/01/2023		Wulfkuhle, V	Unrestricted Checking:Donations	10.30
Deposit	08/01/2023		Olson, M	Unrestricted Checking:Donations	15.45
Deposit	08/02/2023		Graber, J	Unrestricted Checking:Donations	100.00

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Type	Date	Name	Memo	Class	Amount
Deposit	08/03/2023	Stevens, A		Unrestricted Checking:Donations	15.00
Deposit	08/04/2023	Tazkargy, H		Unrestricted Checking:Donations	51.50
Deposit	08/04/2023	Blodgett-Panos, E		Unrestricted Checking:Donations	10.30
Deposit	08/04/2023	Thrasher, C		Unrestricted Checking:Donations	10.30
Deposit	08/04/2023	Englehart, M		Unrestricted Checking:Donations	15.45
Deposit	08/05/2023	Sobczyk, C		Unrestricted Checking:Donations	10.00
Deposit	08/05/2023	Imel, M		Unrestricted Checking:Donations	10.00
Deposit	08/05/2023	Buhler, M		Unrestricted Checking:Donations	25.75
Deposit	08/05/2023	Penzler, C (New Chapter Society)		Unrestricted Checking:New Chap...	103.00
Deposit	08/06/2023	Rowden, D		Unrestricted Checking:Donations	10.30
Deposit	08/06/2023	Pierson, B		Unrestricted Checking:Donations	10.00
Deposit	08/06/2023	Allen, M		Unrestricted Checking:Donations	25.75
Deposit	08/06/2023	Lawrenz, H		Unrestricted Checking:Donations	10.30
Deposit	08/11/2023	Smith, L		Unrestricted Checking:Donations	10.30
Deposit	08/11/2023	Robinson, J		Unrestricted Checking:Donations	15.00
Deposit	08/12/2023	Fewins, J		Unrestricted Checking:Donations	15.00
Deposit	08/13/2023	Van Trump, K		Unrestricted Checking:Donations	10.00
Deposit	08/13/2023	Brown, K		Unrestricted Checking:Donations	10.30
Deposit	08/13/2023	White, J		Unrestricted Checking:Donations	10.00
Deposit	08/13/2023	Poell, N		Unrestricted Checking:Donations	25.75
Deposit	08/13/2023	McCall, K		Unrestricted Checking:Donations	25.75
Deposit	08/13/2023	Evers, A		Unrestricted Checking:Donations	10.30
Deposit	08/13/2023	McVey, P		Unrestricted Checking:Donations	10.00
Deposit	08/13/2023	Lovato-Winston, F		Unrestricted Checking:Donations	10.30
Deposit	08/13/2023	Jackson, M		Unrestricted Checking:Donations	25.75
Deposit	08/13/2023	Laughrey, S		Unrestricted Checking:Donations	10.00
Deposit	08/13/2023	Wright, C		Unrestricted Checking:Donations	10.30
Deposit	08/13/2023	Rowe, A		Unrestricted Checking:Donations	25.75
Deposit	08/13/2023	Katzman, A		Unrestricted Checking:Donations	51.50
Deposit	08/15/2023	Muller, W		Unrestricted Checking:Donations	20.00
Deposit	08/15/2023	Majure, J		Unrestricted Checking:Donations	40.00
Deposit	08/15/2023	Brabender, T (Sue Houston Memorial)		Unrestricted Checking:Donations	100.00
Deposit	08/15/2023	Reiser, S (Sue Houston Memorial)		Unrestricted Checking:Donations	200.00
Deposit	08/17/2023	Blome, P		Unrestricted Checking:Donations	25.75
Deposit	08/17/2023	Towns, Z		Unrestricted Checking:Donations	25.75
Deposit	08/17/2023	Trowbridge, D		Unrestricted Checking:Donations	257.50
Deposit	08/17/2023	Swinburne Romine, R		Unrestricted Checking:Donations	100.00
Deposit	08/17/2023	Bonner, N		Unrestricted Checking:Donations	10.00
Deposit	08/17/2023	Thiel, S		Unrestricted Checking:Donations	10.30
Deposit	08/17/2023	Paulsen, E		Unrestricted Checking:Donations	10.30
Deposit	08/17/2023	Robinson, J		Unrestricted Checking:Donations	25.75
Deposit	08/17/2023	Axcell, E		Unrestricted Checking:Donations	50.00
Deposit	08/17/2023	Bireta, J		Unrestricted Checking:Donations	10.30
Deposit	08/17/2023	Allen, B (New Chapter Society)		Unrestricted Checking:New Chap...	86.52
Deposit	08/17/2023	Frost, V		Unrestricted Checking:Donations	10.30
Deposit	08/17/2023	Haas, M		Unrestricted Checking:Donations	7.21
Deposit	08/17/2023	Bell, S		Unrestricted Checking:Donations	10.30
Deposit	08/18/2023	Morse, K		Unrestricted Checking:Donations	10.30
Deposit	08/21/2023	Gray, C&K (New Chapter Society)		Unrestricted Checking:New Chap...	86.52
Deposit	08/21/2023	Gage, M (New Chapter Society)		Unrestricted Checking:New Chap...	92.70
Deposit	08/21/2023	Young, L		Unrestricted Checking:Donations	20.00
Deposit	08/21/2023	Camarda, K		Unrestricted Checking:Donations	10.00
Deposit	08/21/2023	Wallace, C		Unrestricted Checking:Donations	25.00
Deposit	08/21/2023	Grammatikopoulou, E		Unrestricted Checking:Donations	20.60
Deposit	08/21/2023	Yeaky, E		Unrestricted Checking:Donations	10.30
Deposit	08/21/2023	Morgan, K&S		Unrestricted Checking:Donations	51.50
Deposit	08/23/2023	Anderson, D		Unrestricted Checking:Donations	10.00
Deposit	08/23/2023	Peace, C		Unrestricted Checking:Donations	25.00
Deposit	08/23/2023	Krauth, D		Unrestricted Checking:Donations	50.00
Deposit	08/24/2023	Brougher, A		Unrestricted Checking:Donations	10.00
Deposit	08/25/2023	Imel, M		Unrestricted Checking:Donations	10.00
Deposit	08/25/2023	Ambler, D (New Chapter Society)		Unrestricted Checking:New Chap...	100.00
Deposit	08/25/2023	Banks, M&P		Unrestricted Checking:Donations	50.00
Deposit	08/28/2023	Rowland, T		Unrestricted Checking:Donations	25.75
Deposit	08/29/2023	Kearns, H		Unrestricted Checking:Donations	15.00
Deposit	08/30/2023	Smith, V		Unrestricted Checking:Donations	103.00
Deposit	08/30/2023	Toole, L		Unrestricted Checking:Donations	25.75
Deposit	08/30/2023	Mason, B		Unrestricted Checking:Donations	10.30
Deposit	08/30/2023	Millsap, S		Unrestricted Checking:Donations	10.30
Deposit	08/30/2023	Rasor, C		Unrestricted Checking:Donations	50.00
Deposit	08/30/2023	Hafsahl, V		Unrestricted Checking:Donations	10.30
Deposit	08/30/2023	Piekalkiewicz, J		Unrestricted Checking:Donations	10.30
Deposit	08/30/2023	Anderson, S		Unrestricted Checking:Donations	20.60
Deposit	08/30/2023	Langford, J		Unrestricted Checking:Donations	15.45
Deposit	08/30/2023	Sears, C		Unrestricted Checking:Donations	10.00
Deposit	08/30/2023	Walters, A		Unrestricted Checking:Donations	10.00
Deposit	08/30/2023	Beck, D		Unrestricted Checking:Donations	10.30
Deposit	08/30/2023	Boatright, M		Unrestricted Checking:Donations	10.30
Deposit	08/30/2023	Wulfkuhle, V		Unrestricted Checking:Donations	10.30
Deposit	08/30/2023	Hill, K		Unrestricted Checking:Donations	51.50
Deposit	08/30/2023	Rothnie, C		Unrestricted Checking:Donations	5.15
Deposit	08/30/2023	Jackson, B		Unrestricted Checking:Donations	5.15
Deposit	08/30/2023	Marples, J		Unrestricted Checking:Donations	10.00

LAWRENCE PUBLIC LIBRARY FRIENDS & FOUNDATION
Revenue & Expenses Detail

09/19/23

Accrual Basis

August 2023

Type	Date	Name	Memo	Class	Amount
Deposit	08/30/2023		Keller, E	Unrestricted Checking:Donations	10.00
Deposit	08/30/2023		Patterson, M	Unrestricted Checking:Donations	10.00
Deposit	08/30/2023		Dickinson, A	Unrestricted Checking:Donations	25.00
Deposit	08/30/2023		Fales, M	Unrestricted Checking:Donations	25.75
Deposit	08/31/2023		Brand, B (Reese Memorial)	Unrestricted Checking:Donations	100.00
Total Unrestricted Donations					3,024.05
Total Direct Public Support					9,351.36
Interest Income					
Deposit	08/31/2023		Interest	Unrestricted Checking	1.39
Total Interest Income					1.39
Total Income					21,689.06
Gross Profit					21,689.06
Expense					
Operations					
Merchandise Expenses					
Bill	08/17/2023	U.S. Bank	Dusty Bookshelf, Raven	Unrestricted Checking:Posters	106.28
Total Merchandise Expenses					106.28
Event Expenses					
Check	08/15/2023	Maceli's	Drag Bingo	Unrestricted Checking:Events	513.95
Total Event Expenses					513.95
Book Sale Expenses					
Check	08/11/2023	Lawrence Journal World	Spring Book Sale	Unrestricted Checking:Book Sales	39.95
Bill	08/17/2023	U.S. Bank	Hyde	Unrestricted Checking:Book Sales	430.68
Check	08/31/2023	Stan Ring	On-Site Shelving	Unrestricted Checking:Book Sales	100.52
Total Book Sale Expenses					571.15
Internet Sales Supplies					
Bill	08/17/2023	U.S. Bank	Hyde	Unrestricted Checking:Book Sales	149.23
Check	08/24/2023	Stan Ring	Overhead Light	Unrestricted Checking:Book Sales	54.64
Check	08/24/2023	Cross Corporation	Bubble Mailers	Unrestricted Checking:Book Sales	342.13
Check	08/29/2023	Stan Ring	Menard's	Unrestricted Checking:Book Sales	23.79
Total Internet Sales Supplies					569.79
Admin Expenses					
Supplies					
Bill	08/17/2023	U.S. Bank	Amazon	Unrestricted Checking	24.35
Total Supplies					24.35
Total Admin Expenses					24.35
Bank Charges & Credit Card Fees					
Deposit	08/01/2023		LGL Fees	Restricted Checking:Retirement ...	3.29
Deposit	08/01/2023		LGL Fees	Unrestricted Checking:Donations	7.89
Deposit	08/02/2023		LGL Fees	Restricted Checking:Retirement ...	3.20
Deposit	08/02/2023		LGL Fees	Unrestricted Checking:Donations	3.20
Deposit	08/03/2023		LGL Fees	Unrestricted Checking:Donations	0.74
Deposit	08/04/2023		LGL Fees	Unrestricted Checking:Donations	3.74
Deposit	08/05/2023		LGL Fees	Unrestricted Checking:New Chap...	3.29
Deposit	08/05/2023		LGL Fees	Unrestricted Checking:Donations	2.23
Deposit	08/06/2023		LGL Fees	Unrestricted Checking:Donations	2.84
Deposit	08/11/2023		LGL Fees	Unrestricted Checking:Donations	1.34
Deposit	08/12/2023		LGL Fees	Unrestricted Checking:Donations	0.74
Deposit	08/13/2023		LGL Fees	Unrestricted Checking:Donations	12.21
Deposit	08/13/2023		LGL Fees	Unrestricted Checking:Donations	1.79
Deposit	08/13/2023		LGL Fees	Restricted Checking:Retirement ...	2.34
Deposit	08/17/2023		LGL Fees	Unrestricted Checking:New Chap...	2.81
Deposit	08/17/2023		LGL Fees	Unrestricted Checking:Donations	18.86
Deposit	08/17/2023		LGL Fees	Restricted Checking:Retirement ...	3.29
Deposit	08/17/2023		LGL Fees	Unrestricted Checking:Donations	1.11
Deposit	08/18/2023		LGL Fees	Unrestricted Checking:Donations	0.60
Deposit	08/21/2023		LGL Fees	Unrestricted Checking:New Chap...	5.80
Deposit	08/21/2023		LGL Fees	Unrestricted Checking:Donations	2.50
Deposit	08/21/2023		Square Fees	Unrestricted Checking:Posters	7.84
Deposit	08/21/2023		LGL Fees	Unrestricted Checking:Donations	3.29
Deposit	08/23/2023		LGL Fees	Unrestricted Checking:Donations	3.37
Deposit	08/24/2023		LGL Fees	Unrestricted Checking:Donations	0.59
Deposit	08/25/2023		LGL Fees	Restricted Checking:Retirement ...	3.20
Deposit	08/25/2023		LGL Fees	Unrestricted Checking:Donations	0.59
Deposit	08/28/2023		LGL Fee	Unrestricted Checking:Donations	1.05
Deposit	08/29/2023		LGL Fees	Unrestricted Checking:Donations	0.74
Deposit	08/30/2023		LGL Fees	Unrestricted Checking:Donations	19.66

LAWRENCE PUBLIC LIBRARY FRIENDS & FOUNDATION

Revenue & Expenses Detail

August 2023

Type	Date	Name	Memo	Class	Amount
Check	08/31/2023		Service Charge	Unrestricted Checking	2.00
		Total Bank Charges & Credit Card Fees			126.14
Bill	08/17/2023	U.S. Bank	Dempsey's	Unrestricted Checking	15.93
		Total Donor Outreach, Author Recepton			15.93
Check	08/29/2023	Barbara Wiley	Volunteer Injury - Ambulance	Unrestricted Checking	340.00
		Total Miscellaneous			340.00
Bill	08/17/2023	U.S. Bank	Various	Unrestricted Checking	286.37
		Total Annual Mtg, Volunteers, Merger,			286.37
Deposit	08/25/2023		Reimbursement from A.Hyde	Unrestricted Checking	-14.83
		Total Conference, Convention, Meeting			-14.83
		Total Professional Fees			-14.83
		Total Operations			2,539.13
		Restricted Fund Expenditures			
		Spent by Foundation			
Check	08/02/2023	Sunflower Music Ther...	July & August Sing & Rhythm Storytime	Restricted Checking:Youth Servic...	350.00
Check	08/02/2023	Jack Altman	Cocktail Hour Program	Restricted Checking:Retirement ...	255.84
Check	08/02/2023	J&R Repair Services	Invoice 72420231	Restricted Checking:Dottie Maint...	112.75
Check	08/15/2023	City Wine Market	Wine & BBQ	Restricted Checking:Retirement ...	741.67
Check	08/15/2023	Jack Altman	Wine & BBQ	Restricted Checking:Retirement ...	38.01
Bill	08/17/2023	U.S. Bank	KC Monarchs	Restricted Checking:Retirement ...	181.43
Check	08/24/2023	Joelle Ford	Flag Poster Project	Unrestricted Checking:Posters	1,000.00
Check	08/31/2023	Jack Altman	RBC - Cork & Barrel	Restricted Checking:Retirement ...	125.70
Check	08/31/2023	J&R Repair Services	Dottie Maintenance	Restricted Checking:Dottie Maint...	402.92
		Total Spent by Foundation			3,208.32
		Total Restricted Fund Expenditures			3,208.32
		Total Expense			5,747.45
		Net Ordinary Income			15,941.61
		Net Income			15,941.61

LAWRENCE PUBLIC LIBRARY FRIENDS & FOUNDATION

Revenues & Expenditures Budget vs. Actual

January through August 2023

	Jan - Aug 23	Budget	\$ Over Budget	% of Budget
Ordinary Income/Expense				
Income				
Fund Transfer Income	0.00			
Book Sales				
Internet Sales	55,612.71	90,000.00	-34,387.29	61.8%
On-Site Book Sales	81,782.44	91,300.00	-9,517.56	89.6%
Book Sales - Other	50.18			
Total Book Sales	137,445.33	181,300.00	-43,854.67	75.8%
Direct Public Support				
Programming	0.00			
Merchandise Sales	1,874.06	5,000.00	-3,125.94	37.5%
Fundraising Events	75,820.29	45,000.00	30,820.29	168.5%
Restricted Donations	133,491.86			
Unrestricted Donations	63,671.58	145,000.00	-81,328.42	43.9%
Total Direct Public Support	274,857.79	195,000.00	79,857.79	141.0%
Interest Income	356.62	100.00	256.62	356.6%
Investments				
Unrealized Gain (Loss)	170,811.37			
Investments - Other	26,378.43			
Total Investments	197,189.80			
Total Income	609,849.54	376,400.00	233,449.54	162.0%
Gross Profit	609,849.54	376,400.00	233,449.54	162.0%
Expense				
Operations				
Merchandise Expenses	1,306.13	2,500.00	-1,193.87	52.2%
Event Expenses	8,223.07	12,000.00	-3,776.93	68.5%
Book Sale Expenses	7,368.49	14,000.00	-6,631.51	52.6%
Internet Sales Supplies	3,178.94	5,000.00	-1,821.06	63.6%
Contract Services				
Accounting Fees	1,255.00	4,200.00	-2,945.00	29.9%
Payroll Expenses	55,265.06	117,000.00	-61,734.94	47.2%
Heath Care Benefits	10,278.58	23,000.00	-12,721.42	44.7%
Total Contract Services	66,798.64	144,200.00	-77,401.36	46.3%
Insurance - Liability, D and O	1,388.00	1,500.00	-112.00	92.5%
Admin Expenses				
Merger Expenses	142.71			
Postage, Mailing Service	452.54			
Supplies	358.62			
Technology Web Site & Database	184.50			
Admin Expenses - Other	98.00	7,000.00	-6,902.00	1.4%
Total Admin Expenses	1,236.37	7,000.00	-5,763.63	17.7%
Publicity	425.00	2,000.00	-1,575.00	21.3%

LAWRENCE PUBLIC LIBRARY FRIENDS & FOUNDATION
Revenues & Expenditures Budget vs. Actual
January through August 2023

	Jan - Aug 23	Budget	\$ Over Budget	% of Budget
Annual Letter	0.00	3,500.00	-3,500.00	0.0%
Bank Charges & Credit Card Fees	1,345.78	2,000.00	-654.22	67.3%
Donor Outreach, Author Reception	924.48	2,000.00	-1,075.52	46.2%
Miscellaneous	715.24	1,000.00	-284.76	71.5%
Newsletter	520.33	2,000.00	-1,479.67	26.0%
Annual Mtg, Volunteers, Merger,	2,001.15	3,600.00	-1,598.85	55.6%
Rent	600.00	600.00	0.00	100.0%
Professional Fees				
Conference, Convention, Meeting	1,689.40			
Professional Fees - Other	1,803.78	5,500.00	-3,696.22	32.8%
Total Professional Fees	3,493.18	5,500.00	-2,006.82	63.5%
Total Operations	99,524.80	208,400.00	-108,875.20	47.8%
Restricted Fund Expenditures				
Spent by Foundation	34,371.30			
Transfer to Library	179,922.64			
Restricted Fund Expenditures - Other	14,634.77			
Total Restricted Fund Expenditures	228,928.71			
Unrestricted Dist. to Library	172,717.48			
Total Expense	501,170.99	208,400.00	292,770.99	240.5%
Net Ordinary Income	108,678.55	168,000.00	-59,321.45	64.7%
Net Income	108,678.55	168,000.00	-59,321.45	64.7%

On-Site Sales Committee Minutes

September 12, 2023 | 1 PM | Meeting Room A

Attendees: Annamarie Hill, Stan Ring, Jan Biles, Jan Conard, Carole Crown, Sue Hopkins, Angela Hyde

VI. Discussion/ Action Items

Pick Dates for 2024

- Bylaws have been amended to allow “non-voting members” so we can change “Donors’ Night” to “Member’s Night”
- Media Sale
 - Friday & Sat ONLY
 - Music Related books in Friends Express w/ promo for the event
 - Reserve the auditorium for Thursday
 - Cindy will reach out to Williams Fund and Alumni Assn to see what she can find about basketball dates
- February & Comic Con - Not a sale on Comic Con days
 - Have some graphic novels & con items in FE
- Add Annual Meeting/ Volunteer Appreciation date to F&F Calendar
- Reach out to City Band for potential Dec 2024 dates—Dec 21st feels too close to the holiday

Saturday Sale Recap

- Total raised \$6,191
- Some customers were “Flying High”
 - Emails have gone out to Erica, Sarah and Jake about resources for impaired customers trying to drive away
 - Also about what we should do if a shopper is injured
- Volunteer Staffing
 - Huge influx of AM customers
 - Next outdoor Saturday sale (June 2024) we will make sure we have four indoor and four outdoor cashiers
 - Move outdoor cashiers further to the west, and angled for a good sight line from inside
 - Ask outdoor cashiers and monitor keep the line heading toward the west

Review Book Sale Info Binder and iPad Operations

VII. PC Report

Completed:

- Space Party - two meetings and complete revamp of intake area
 - Many thanks to Tom Hoffman for installing the new shelving, Stan Ring for manufacturing the new recycling platform, and Cristi Hansen for helping Tom install and organize the new shelving
- Volunteer Roster Cleanup - first one since the Pandemic!
- Volunteer Survey - See supplemental attachment for responses
- T-shirts have been ordered! No official ETA yet
- Donation Box Volunteer Lunch - moving away from the cumbersome blue box, to a heavy duty cart
- Children's Room Party - see supplemental attachment for minutes
- Biography & Memoir Specialist Meeting - reallocation of space and label updates
- Internet Sales meeting - established new posting guidelines
- Kansas Leadership Edge program - Lots of great info!

Working on:

- Bringing electrical up to code
- Fall Book Sale
- Signage updates
- Discogs training
- Disseminate new posting guidelines to scanners
- Donut Club - Office Hours in donation area to be available for Q&A, 9:30–10:30 AM

VIII. OnSite Sales Reports | \$79,729.22

	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	TOTAL
Appointments	\$1,407.28	\$981.56	\$132.33	\$249.50	\$653.00	\$81.00	\$0.00	\$243.83	\$3,748.50
Friends Express	\$1,346.72	\$1,281.97	\$1,079.47	\$1,165.02	\$1,275.88	\$1,219.86	\$625.73	\$649.62	\$8,644.27
Saturday Sale	\$0.00	\$2,263.46	\$2,625.59	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$3,059.68	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$7,948.73
Signs Of Life	\$50.00	\$71.00	\$0.00	\$275.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$396.00
Love Garden	\$0.00	\$151.00	\$217.50	\$0.00	\$298.50	\$57.00	\$180.50	\$0.00	\$904.50
Thrift Books	\$0.00	\$212.99	\$163.54	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$334.29	\$130.78	\$303.18	\$1,144.78
Tabs	\$483.55	\$39.00	\$283.98	\$251.00	\$464.76	\$357.15	\$226.35	\$363.00	\$2,468.79
Major Book Sale	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$23,038.79	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$17,088.27	\$0.00	\$40,127.06
Media Sale	\$14,208.31	\$400.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$14,608.31
TOTAL	\$17,495.86	\$5,400.98	\$4,502.41	\$24,979.31	\$2,692.14	\$5,108.98	\$18,251.63	\$1,559.63	\$79,990.94

IX. Internet Sales Reports | \$48,425

	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	Totals
Amz Gross Sales	\$9,928	\$8,738	\$7,892	\$6,224	\$7,000	\$7,350	\$10,422	\$0	\$57,553
Amz Net Sales	\$6,845	\$5,880	\$5,213	\$4,292	\$4,727	\$5,132	\$7,284	\$0	\$39,373
Avg Parent Items	4,662	4,647	4,472	4,486	4,447	4,430	4,491	4,610	4,531
Items Shipped	528	438	406	344	382	365	360	445	3,268
Ebay Sales	\$1,502	\$1,174	\$1,695	\$3,051	\$783	\$1,608	\$716	\$1,527	\$12,056
Tax + Selling Costs	\$358	\$275	\$534	\$642	\$223	\$354	\$175	\$442	\$3,003
Ebay Net	\$1,143.56	\$898.87	\$1,160.97	\$2,410	\$560	\$1,254	\$541	\$1,084	\$9,052
Items Sold	37	34	37	30	20	31	20	23	232
Total Net	\$7,988	\$6,778.84	\$6,374	\$6,701	\$5,287	\$6,386	\$7,825	\$1,084	\$48,425

X. Thrift Books Report

Month	Units Scanned	Units Not Accepted	% Not Accepted	Units Added	% Added	Units Sold	Payment	Earnings per book
Jan	201	70	34.83%	131	65.17%	152	\$184.44	\$1.21
Feb	439	116	26.42%	323	73.58%	130	\$163.54	\$1.26
Mar	702	233	33.19%	469	66.81%	204	\$30.13	\$0.15
Apr	224	65	29.02%	159	70.98%	154	\$9.41	\$0.06
May	455	162	35.60%	293	64.40%	156	\$294.75	\$1.89
Jun	238	69	28.99%	169	71.01%	155	\$130.78	\$0.84
Jul	2	2	100.00%	0	0.00%	119	\$303.18	\$2.55

Membership and Fundraising Report 2023



Direct Public Support

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
Merchandise Sales \$\$	\$320	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$107	\$85	\$1,000	\$362					\$1,874
Fundraising Event \$\$	\$7,000	\$41,301	\$5,772	\$4,000	\$11,500	\$5,000	\$1,240	\$0					\$75,813
Restricted Gifts \$\$	\$11,628	\$16,070	\$24,275	\$454	\$45,960	\$45	\$29,114	\$5,966					\$133,512
Unrestricted Gifts \$\$*	\$11,725	\$10,664	\$12,163	\$5,675	\$9,386	\$7,140	\$3,721	\$3,024					\$63,498
Total Gifts \$\$	\$30,673	\$68,035	\$42,210	\$10,129	\$66,953	\$12,270	\$35,075	\$9,351					\$274,697
<i>Number of Gifts/Donors*</i>	115	525	151	96	112	215	100	113					1427
F+F Support for LPL \$\$	\$26,768	\$1,551	\$67,226	\$13,808	\$8,500	\$100,886	\$174,105	\$3,208					\$396,052

* Number of donors does not include book shoppers or merchandise sales customers

*Feb donors include basket/fundraiser ticket buyers

Lawrence Public Library Friends & Foundation After Hours at the Library 2024 Planning Meeting Minutes September 14, 2023

Present: Brandon Eisman, Cathy Hamilton, Rachel Rademacher, Mary Gage, Sue Hopkins, Dan Storey, Nancy Hambleton

Staff present: Kathleen Morgan, Logan Isaman

Review of 2023 debrief notes

2024 Date

- Friday, March 1
 - No basketball on Fridays!

Framework and Theme

- Dewey Decimal System as framework? Pick a range each year and use that as a theme.
- 900s - Travel!
 - “Around the library in 90 minutes”
- “Dewey or Don’t We Party”
- Cathy asks if we want to consider moving the party off site
 - The library setup would need to be majorly reconsidered; 2023 was too crowded and didn’t feel cohesive
 - Possible that the novelty of being in the library after hours has worn off with other events (Booktoberfest, Library Con, etc.)
 - Group agrees to explore the possibility. Venue 1235 most likely.
- Cathy has unhinged march themed ideas, including: March Plaidness
- Fund a Need
 - eBooks, eAudiobooks, Digital materials?
 - Memory Lab

Homework

- Think on the theme
- Check out alternative venues
- Consider hosts/co-hosts/guests
- Who else do we ask to join us?

Next Meeting

Thursday, October 12 at 10 AM

LPLFF Advocacy Committee Minutes

August 30, 2023

Members: Kassie Nieters, Blanca Herrada, Craig Penzler, Rachel Rademacher, and Sarah Goodwin Thiel

Staff: Kathleen Morgan, Logan Isaman

Approve Minutes

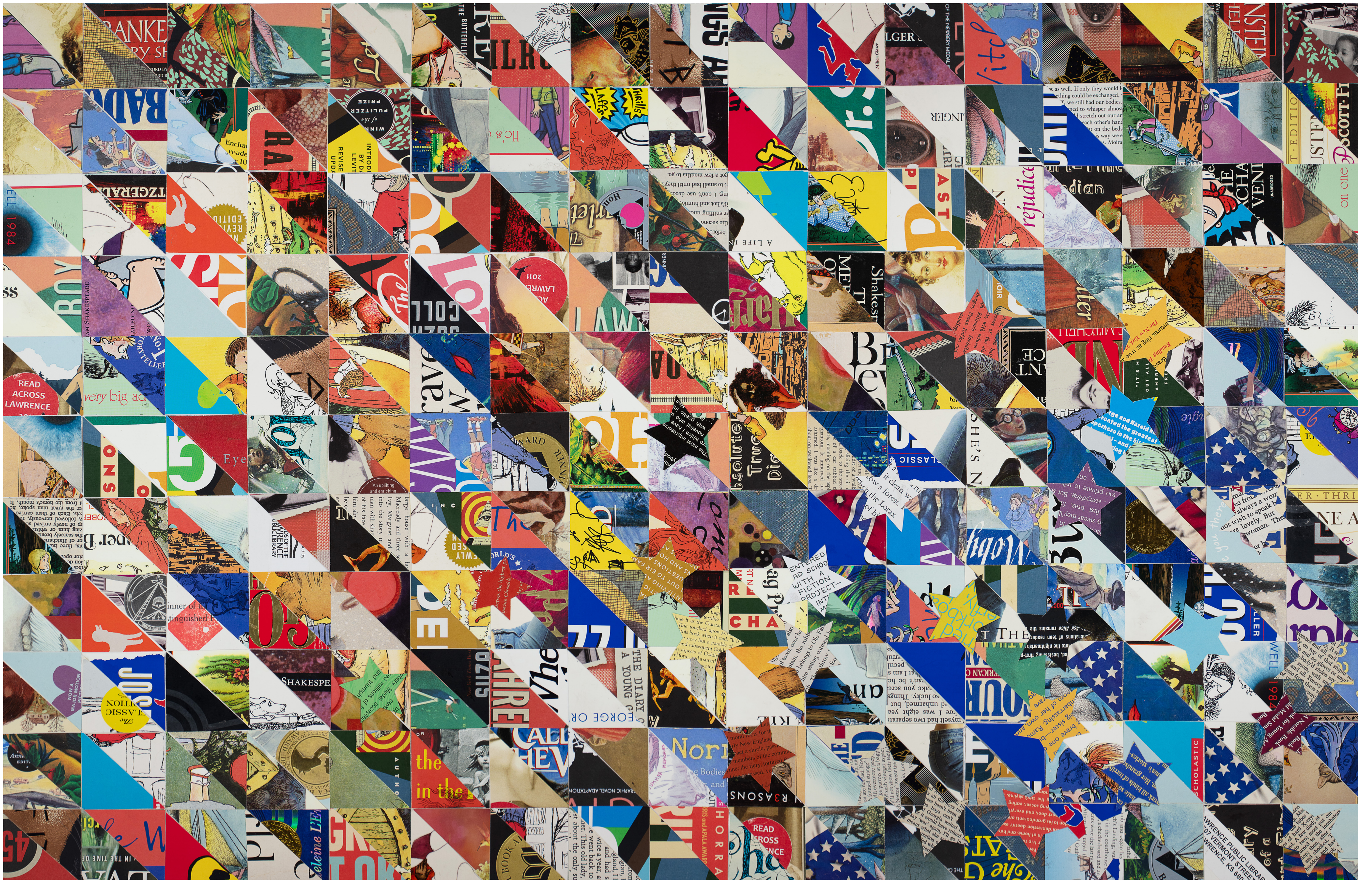
July 18, 2023 Meeting

August 11, 2023 Meeting

Old Business

- Leadership Lawrence Update
 - Our only applicant, Kristin Soper, is leaving the library, so we will not have representative in the program. The library will participate as a meeting site.
- Library Tour for Elected Officials
 - Brad is scheduling visits and tours with City Commission candidates for early September
 - The program with state legislators is being organized with NEKLS; Kathleen hopes to receive date soon
- Advocating vs. Lobbying - EveryLibrary
 - Kassie updates that she has located the training page and invites Rachel and Craig to tackle some of those trainings
- Advocacy Arsenal
 - Folder is available in Google Drive. Committee members are encouraged to upload resources and check out what Logan has added
- Banned Books
 - Large theme for our Booktoberfest programs this fall
 - Banned Books Week October 1-7; large display in the Atrium
 - Library Landscapes fundraiser poster is banned books themed and will be launched at the end of Banned Books Week
- Library Safety Update
 - MOU being written with the City to apply the library's behavior policy to the library lawn
 - Final draft is being sent to their legal department
 - Designated smoking section to be added on the far side of the lawn
 - Smoking will no longer be allowed along the ledge under the window
 - There was a threat to the library last week that left staff unhappy with how it was handled. Police will provide a debrief on 8/31 to talk to staff about the decisions they made and why; informed by questions submitted by LPL staff.
 - Security staff hours increasing to allow them to do more rounds inside and outside the building

Next Meeting is October 18, 2023 at 4:30 PM



“Unfurled”
LAWRENCE PUBLIC LIBRARY

***Unfurled* (2023) by Joelle Ford**
Library Landscapes | Lawrence Public Library
Artist Statement and Introductory Copy

Prompt / Length:

Write an artist statement for a collage of banned book covers called “Unfurled” that evokes an upside-down American flag / 3 paragraphs

Hard Deadline / Launch Deadline:

FRI, SEP 29 / FRI, OCT 6

Web/

“Star Spangled (Book) Banner”
***Unfurled* Supports Intellectual Freedom and Lawrence Public Library**

Introductory Copy:

Unfurled is the second installment of “Library Landscapes”— a collaborative art piece and fundraising opportunity between local Lawrence, Kansas artist, Joelle Ford, and the Lawrence Public Library Friends & Foundation. While this recent installment is not a literal depiction of a “landscape,” it is a metaphorical one, speaking to recent attacks on the information landscape and censorship attempts through book bans.

Ford’s artwork evokes an upside-down American flag, symbolizing the state of distress in America’s intellectual freedom. Composed with covers of banned books, *Unfurled* is quilt-like in nature, speaking to how woven together stories communicate who we are as a community, as a nation, and what beliefs we stand for.

The 374 triangle cutouts of banned book covers are symbolic of the shape of a folded American flag, encouraging viewers to ponder which stories we as a nation amplify and which stories are suppressed. Some of the top reasons for recent book challenges include LGBTQIA+ content; sexual content; and Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion content.

Unfurled challenges viewers to do just that—“unfurl”—to be open to what stories we read, share, and tell. While each of the featured books were banned or challenged, the titles are available for checkout in our library catalog.

Order a print of the culturally timely artwork *Unfurled* to support Lawrence Public Library and support the freedom to read at lplff.org.

Artist's Statement

Unfurled had many iterations in its creation. The result of this collaborative project with Lawrence Public Library for Banned Books Week is a collage interpretation of our American flag shown upside down, a symbol of great distress. We believe it captures the distress that people feel about banning books.

Creating the artwork with 76 book covers proved to be quite a challenge. I found that they interacted better and more colorfully as smaller triangular pieces, while diagonal stripes added interest. The “Xs” and cross patterns throughout the piece reminded me of bans as well. The result is a giant “Easter Egg” of a banned book scavenger hunt that provides an extra hidden layer, giving viewers something new to discover each time they return for another look. The clues are there!

Joelle Ford

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Sunday eNews/Website/Promotions Heading:

Star Spangled (Book) Banner

Unfurled Supports Intellectual Freedom and Lawrence Public Library

Unfurled Books and Authors 2023

<i>1984</i> by George Orwell
<i>A Wrinkle in Time</i> by Madeleine L'Engle
<i>Alice's Adventures in Wonderland</i> by Lewis Carroll
<i>And Tango Makes Three</i> by Justin Richardson and Peter Parnell
<i>Are you there, God? It's me, Margaret</i> by Judy Blume
<i>Beloved</i> by Toni Morrison
<i>Brave New World</i> by Aldous Huxley
<i>Breakfast of Champions</i> by Kurt Vonnegut
<i>Brown Girl Dreaming</i> by Jacqueline Woodson
<i>Casual Vacancy</i> by J.K. Rowling
<i>Catch-22</i> by Joseph Heller
<i>Catcher in the Rye</i> by J.D. Salinger
<i>Charlotte's Web</i> by E.B. White
<i>Crank</i> by Ellen Hopkins
<i>Darius the Great is Not OK</i> by Adib Khorram
<i>Drama</i> by Raina Telgemeier
<i>Extremely Loud and Incredibly Close</i> by Jonathan Safran Foer
<i>Fahrenheit 451</i> by Ray Bradbury
<i>Fifty Shades of Gray</i> by EL James
<i>Frankenstein</i> by Mary Shelley
<i>Gender Queer</i> by Maia Kobabe
<i>Go Ask Alice</i> by Beatrice Sparks
<i>Gone with the Wind</i> by Margaret Mitchell
<i>Harriet the Spy</i> by Louise Fitzhugh
<i>Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets</i> by J.K. Rowling
<i>Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone</i> by J.K. Rowling
<i>Hop on Pop</i> by Dr. Seuss
<i>How the Garcia Girls Lost their Accents</i> by Julia Alvarez
<i>Invisible Man</i> by Ralph Ellison
<i>Jack of Hearts</i> by RC Rosen

<i>Leaves of Grass</i> by Walt Whitman
<i>Les Misérables</i> by Victor Hugo
<i>Little Red Riding Hood</i> by Charles Perrault
<i>Lord of the Flies</i> by William Golding
<i>Moby Dick</i> by Herman Melville
<i>Mrs. Dalloway</i> by Virginia Woolf
<i>Of Mice and Men</i> by John Steinbeck
<i>Out of Darkness</i> by Ashley Hope Pérez
<i>Pride and Prejudice</i> Jane Austen
<i>Ramona the Brave</i> by Beverly Cleary
<i>Roll of Thunder, Hear Me Cry</i> by Mildred D. Taylor
<i>Romeo and Juliet</i> by William Shakespeare
<i>She's Not There: A Life in Two Genders</i> by Jennifer Finney Boylan
<i>Slaughterhouse-Five</i> by Kurt Vonnegut
<i>Speak</i> by Laurie Halse Anderson
<i>Stargirl</i> by Jerry Spinelli
<i>Stuart Little</i> by E.B. White
<i>The Absolutely True Diary of a Part-Time Indian</i> by Sherman Alexie
<i>The Adventures of Captain Underpants</i> by Dave Pilkey
<i>The Adventures of Tom Sawyer</i> by Mark Twain
<i>The Bean Trees</i> by Barbara Kingsolver
<i>The Bluest Eye</i> by Toni Morrison
<i>The Call of the Wild</i> by Jack London
<i>The Color Purple</i> by Alice Walker
<i>The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time</i> by Mark Haddon
<i>The Diary of a Young Girl</i> by Anne Frank
<i>The Great Gatsby</i> by F. Scott Fitzgerald
<i>The Handmaid's Tale</i> by Margaret Atwood
<i>The Hunger Games</i> by Suzanne Collins
<i>The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe</i> by CS Lewis
<i>The Lorax</i> by Dr. Seuss
<i>The Merchant of Venice</i> by William Shakespeare

<i>The Paper Bag Princess</i> by Robert Munsch
<i>The Red Badge of Courage</i> by Stephen Crane
<i>The Satanic Verses</i> by Salman Rushdie
<i>The Scarlett Letter</i> by Nathaniel Hawthorne
<i>The Underground Railroad</i> by Colson Whitehead
<i>The War of the Worlds</i> by H.G. Wells
<i>The Watsons Go to Birmingham</i> by Christopher Paul Curtis
<i>The Witches</i> by Roald Dahl
<i>The Wizard of Oz</i> by L. Frank Baum
<i>Thirteen Reasons Why</i> by Jay Asher
<i>This Book is Gay</i> by Juno Dawson
<i>To Kill a Mockingbird</i> by Harper Lee
<i>Where the Sidewalk Ends</i> by Shel Silverstein
<i>Where the Wild Things Are</i> by Maurice Sendak