A Note from our Board -

It looks like summer is coming! Hello, my name is Betty Besteman, your Patmos Library Board Vice President. I was newly elected to the board in November and elected VP in January at the start of our new two-year term. It was my pleasure to meet and talk with many of you when I was out campaigning. We have made great strides in moving forward, and I want to share ways residents can learn more about the books in our library and different ways that parents can monitor what your kids are reading.

First though, I would like to thank all of our recent Book Sale volunteers that helped set up, assist on the days of the sale and take down. We were very pleased with the amount of books that we were able to sell and put into good hands, especially children’s books!

The Summer Reading Program is back for 2023 and the theme is All Together Now. This will be running from Monday, June 12 – Friday, July 28. Stop in the library today to learn more!

If you have any questions, you can always reach out to me at betty.patmosboard@gmail.com!

~Betty Besteman, Patmos Library Board Vice President

Parental Resources

You can continue to learn more about particular books using our existing library resources by searching at one of the dedicated computer stations in the library, searching Lakeland Library or MEL on our website reference section, from online at home and as always, engaging with our talented and knowledgeable library staff.

Available NOW - The newest feature to our library is Wowbrary, a free subscription which allows our patrons to learn more about which books are coming into the library collection. You can sign up now at wowbrary.org to begin access to see all of the NEW books that the library purchases. This service displays a picture of the cover, author and brief description of the book. We are also working on a list of additional resources that patrons can use to review books, and we will be sharing more about these resources in future newsletters.

Having a library card for you and your children is the best way to stay connected to library resources! Parents are able to work alongside our library staff if they are concerned about certain authors or age categories in our collection. Please speak with our staff members, and we will work through solutions best fit for your household.

If you are interested in utilizing more tools to monitor the use of books in your household, you may visit the Parental Resources section of our website.

Upcoming June Events

Youth Programming
- Wednesdays – Preschool-K: Story Time from 10:30–11:30am
- June 12 – Summer Reading start date

Adult Programming
- June 5: Crafts for Grown Ups from 2:30–4pm or 6–7:30pm
- June 22: Local Foraging from 6–7:30pm
- June 26: “The Dearly Beloved” Adult Book Discussion from 6:30–7:30pm