



# Wahoo Public Library

## April 1923-April 2023

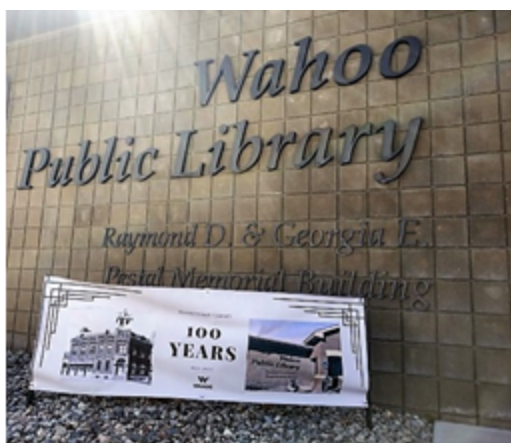
### 100 years!

### 16th edition

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## Welcome!

This is your monthly stop for all things library and community!



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**BABY BRAINS**—<https://irisreading.com/9-benefits-of-repetition-for-learning/>



# Baby Brains

15 MONTHS

Toddlers may show a preference for a favorite book by bringing it to you to be read over and over again. This familiarity may bring comfort and contentment to your child. Did we mention over and over and over and over again? For more info on how repetition is actually a great thing for child, please read the above link!

## MEET...

**MEET**  
**The Directors of the Wahoo Public Library**  
**1923-2023**

1923-1924 the library operated under volunteers by the Women's Club

Grace Oldham 1924-1944  
Mona Steen 1944-1960  
Bertha Magnuson 1960-1965  
Evelyn Koenig 1965-1977  
Faith Smith 1977-1984  
Shirley Van Metre (Yarmon) 1984-1993  
Judy Coday 1994-2006  
Denise Lawver 2006-present (as director)

A decorative graphic on the left side of the text block features a stylized green plant with a single orange flower. The background is a light teal color with orange geometric lines forming a grid-like pattern in the corners.

## NEWS

Mural by Rhonda McClure-2010



Drawing by Audrey Williams- 1959



Painting by Tracy Kindler-mid 2000s



## The Wahoo Public Library, a Foundational Staple of the Community for 100 Years

1,743—that's the number of the initial collection of the Wahoo Public Library. On March 21st, 1923, The Wahoo Woman's Club collected those first all-important donations by sending children pulling wagons going door to door. The library still has 12 of the original books collected and can be viewed at the library. For ten years prior, the women had been discussing the need for a library to serve the growing community and in February of 1923, the project was finally underway. With approval from the city council, a portion of the second floor of city hall was put aside for the library which opened in April of that year.

The primary year of operations, the library solely functioned by volunteers. In 1924, public consensus decreed that the library was a civic project and should be supported by a tax levy. The city council agreed and promised to provide utilities and janitorial services. They appointed a library board consisting of Women's club members. The inaugural board members were Mrs. Oscar Hanson, Mrs. B.E. Hendricks, Miss Minnie Manners, Miss Emma Peterson, and Mrs. John Manners. The first librarian/director to receive a salary in 1924 was Grace Oldham. She served as director for 20 years.

The Wahoo High School's Manual Training class built the original bookshelves which are still in use today. You can visit them in the bookstore, the children's area, and the director's office.

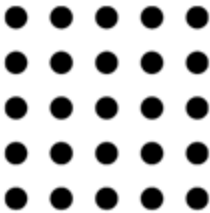
The site of the original library was the corner of 6th and Broadway, where the current city hall, police and fire are now located. The original building was demolished in, we think, 1958 and a new cornerstone was put in place in 1959. The library resided in that space until 2006 when it relocated to its current building at 6th and Maple.

The present building was funded in part by donations to the quilt project that currently hangs in the library. The newest project for the library is to install an inclusive outdoor space with musical instruments for all to participate and enjoy.

Total collection to date: 27,000 items (which does not include the digital collection of 117,000 items)

# TEMPORARY SEASONAL LIBRARY AIDE

**THE WAHOO PUBLIC LIBRARY IS SEEKING A HIGH SCHOOL/COLLEGE STUDENT FOR A PART-TIME TEMPORARY SUMMER AIDE. (20 HOURS PER WEEK, MONDAY-FRIDAY) POSITION BEGINS MAY 22ND AND RUNS THROUGH AUGUST 4TH. APPLICANT MUST BE ABLE TO STAND FOR LONG PERIODS OF TIME, BEND, STOOP AND LIFT UP TO 30 LBS. APPLICANTS MUST ENJOY WORKING WITH THE PUBLIC, PARTICULARLY YOUNG CHILDREN AND BE WILLING TO WORK WITH A LIBRARY TEAM THAT REQUIRES A POSITIVE ATTITUDE, FLEXIBILITY, AND WILLINGNESS TO WORK WELL WITH EVERYONE. APPLICATIONS DUE BY APRIL 28TH. APPLICATIONS ARE AVAILABLE AT THE LIBRARY 637 N MAPLE, NE 68066 THE CITY OF WAHOO IS AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER.**



## LIBRARY AIDE-SUMMER

This job description is intended to present a descriptive list of the range of duties performed by employees in this municipality and is not intended to reflect all duties performed within the job.

SUPERVISOR: Library Director/Youth Services Coordinator

SUPERVISE:

### SUMMARY DESCRIPTION

Responsible for a variety of library work to ensure the efficient provision of services to the community. This position requires working with a variety of patrons, provide customer service and help control library behaviors.

### EXAMPLES OF WORK PERFORMED

**ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS:** The following examples of work are illustrative only and are not intended to be all inclusive.

Shelves materials using the library classification system through various activities including but not limited to shelving the books by classification order, shelf-reading, straightening books, dusting shelves, replacing book ends where necessary; ensures duties are performed according to established policies and procedures.

Assists with the maintenance of library materials by screening materials for mending and binding problems; repairs materials as needed.

Assists with customer service duties, including but not limited to, directing users to library resources, and assisting patrons with computer use.

Performs related duties as required.

### QUALIFICATIONS

The following generally describes the knowledge and ability required to enter the job and/or be learned within a short period of time to successfully perform the assigned duties.

- Knowledge of:
- Basic library procedures, methods, and techniques.
  - Standard reference and bibliographical books and tools.
  - Principles of office practices and procedures.

### Ability to:

- Learn the library classification systems and online public access catalog system.
- Perform library and clerical tasks and operate office equipment and computer.
- Work with frequent interruptions and a high degree of public contact.
- Perform duties with thoroughness, accuracy and attention to detail.
- Understand and follow oral and written instructions.
- Communicate clearly and concisely, both orally and in writing.
- Establish and maintain effective working relationships with patrons, other employees and other agencies.

### PHYSICAL DEMANDS AND WORKING ENVIRONMENT

The conditions herein are representative of those that must be met by an employee to successfully perform the essential functions of this job. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential job functions.

**Environment:** Work is performed primarily in a standard office environment with some travel to different sites (i.e., Lake Wahahoo, Saunders County Museum, Civic Center).

**Physical:** Primary functions require sufficient physical ability and mobility to work in an office setting; to stand or sit for prolonged periods of time; to frequently stoop, bend, kneel, crouch, reach, and twist; to lift, carry, push, and/or pull light to moderate amounts of weight; to operate office equipment requiring repetitive hand movement and fine coordination including use of a computer keyboard; verbally communicate to exchange information.

### EDUCATION AND EXPERIENCE

Any combination of education and experience that would likely provide the required knowledge and ability is qualifying. A typical way to obtain the knowledge and abilities would be:

Education/Training: None.

Regular Part-Time/Seasonal Grade E

2023

# RAFFLE

## \$1.00/TICKET



Fairy Garden by Stone Cottage Studios

Drawing held April 23rd at the

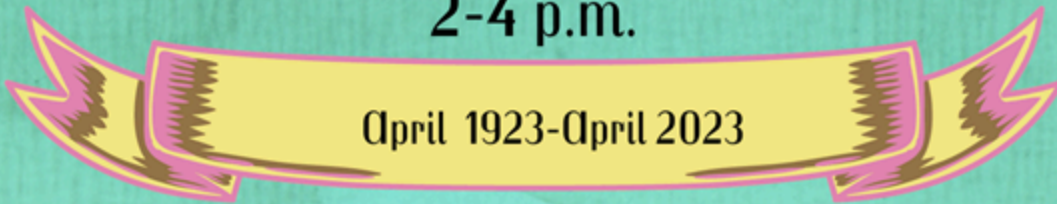
Wahoo Public Library



Sundaes on Sunday

100th Birthday Celebration

2-4 p.m.



April 1923-April 2023

## **NEW CLOSING POLICY:**

**The Library doors and bathrooms will be locked at 10 minutes to close. At that time all patrons will need to vacate the building in order for staff to secure the facility . (Exceptions are for city/library meetings and private events only)**

<https://www.wahoopubliclibrary.org/>

# Welcome to our new website!

[HTTPS://WWW.WAHOOPUBLICLIBRARY.ORG/](https://www.wahoopubliclibrary.org/)



## STORY TIME CALENDAR

*April*

Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

|    |                  |    |    |    |    |    |
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|    |                  |    |    |    |    | 1  |
| 2  | 3                | 4  | 5  | 6  | 7  | 8  |
|    | Easter Egg Hunt  |    |    |    |    |    |
| 9  | 10               | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 |
|    | April Showers... |    |    |    |    |    |
| 16 | 17               | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 |
|    | Earth Day        |    |    |    |    |    |
| 23 | 24               | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 |
|    | Arbor Day        |    |    |    |    |    |
| 30 |                  |    |    |    |    |    |



## EVENTS

Wahoo Public Library

SUNDAES ON

SUNDAY

100TH BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION

APRIL 23RD 2023

2-4 p.m.

Ice cream from Beauty View Farms

Cookies from Mocha C's

Raffle for a fairy garden by Stone Collage Studio (view and buy ticket at library)

Showing of Safety Last! starring Nebraska's silent film star Harold Lloyd  
and more!



WAHOO PUBLIC  
LIBRARY

# PAPER SHREDDING EVENT

Saturday, April 15th

10-NOON

637 N Maple North Parking Lot

402-443-3871

City of Wahoo Residents Only

**PAPER  
TIGER**  
SHREDDING



# Saunders County Historical Society and Museum

LUNCH AND LISTEN

APRIL 27TH

NOON

"HISTORY OF THE HANSON HOUSE"

## TICKETS NOW ON SALE

BISHOP NEUMANN HIGH SCHOOL PRESENTS  
W/HOO PERFORMANCE LEARNING CENTER



**Alice in  
Wonderland**

APRIL 28TH, 29TH, 30TH, 2023

FRIDAY AND SATURDAY @ 8PM  
SUNDAY MATINEE @ 2PM

TICKETS \$10

RESERVE SEATS @ BISHOPNEUMANN.COM

TICKETS AVAILABLE AT THE DOOR

VISIT

[bishopneumann.ludus.com](http://bishopneumann.ludus.com)



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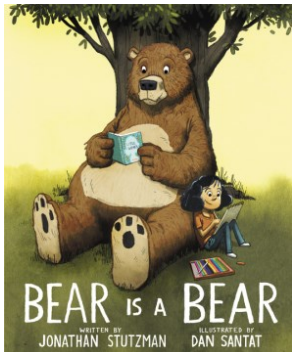
### May Preview...

May 15-22: Library book sale

May 23: Summer Reading Program begins

## STAFF PICKS/NEW BOOKS

### Staff Picks

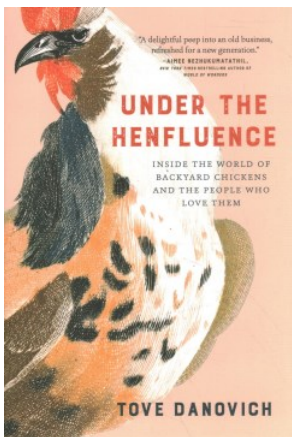


#### [Bear is a Bear](#)

by Jonathan Stutzman

Celebrates the enduring love between a little girl and her childhood friend, Bear, who is always there to provide love and support.

*(Recommended by Mr. Bob)*

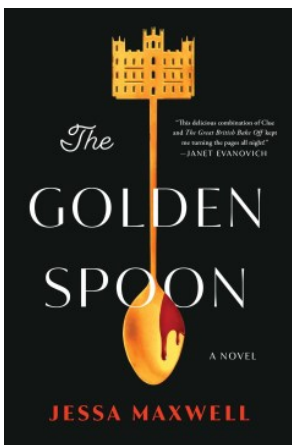


#### [Under the Henfluence: Inside the World of Backyard Chickens and the People Who Love Them](#)

by Tove Danovich

Accompanied by delightful and sometimes heartbreaking anecdotes from the author's own henhouse, this blend of chicken-keeping memoir and animal welfare reporting explores the lives of these quirky, mysterious birds, interviewing the people breeding, training, healing and, most importantly, adoring chickens.

*(Recommended by Kim)*

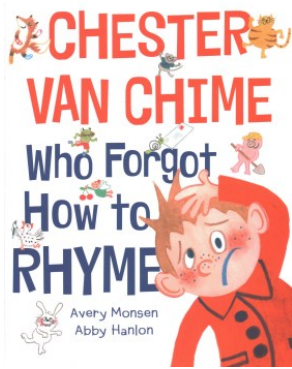


#### [The Golden Spoon: A Novel](#)

by Jessa Maxwell

During her annual televised baking competition on her Vermont estate, celebrated baker Betsy Martin, hailed as "America's Grandmother," finds murder in the mix when a body is discovered, and everyone is a suspect. "If you like the Great British Bake Off, you'll love this tale of murder and baked delights" says Denise.

*(Recommended by Denise)*



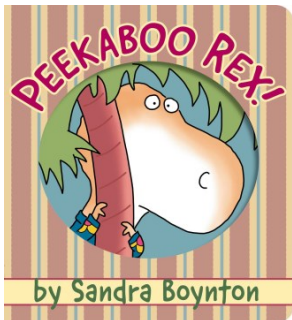
## [Chester van Chime Who Forgot How to Rhyme](#)

by Avery Monsen

"Rhyming has always come easily to Chester van Chime. But one day he loses his gift and struggles to find the right words." Miss Carrie says this is a hilarious read-aloud for parents and kids alike.

*(Recommended by Carrie)*

## New Books



## [Peekaboo Rex!](#)

by Sandra Boynton

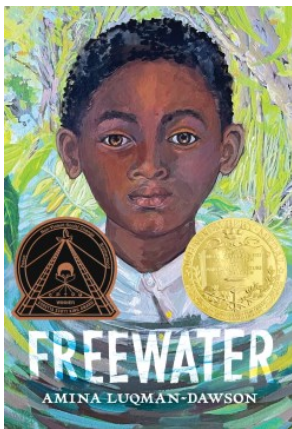
Two lovable dinosaurs play peekaboo throughout the day, in this fun-filled board book that showcases every toddler's favorite hide-and-seek activity.



## [Every Little Seed](#)

by Cynthia Schumert

Working together to bring a backyard garden to full bloom, three generations of a gardening family show how the secret of a plant lives in every little amazing seed.



## [Freewater](#)

by Amina Luqman-Dawson

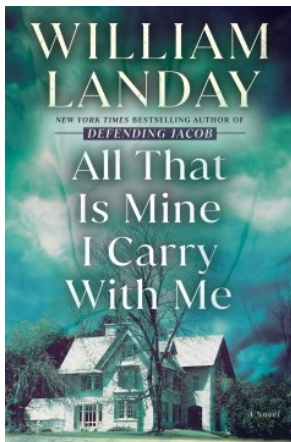
After escaping Southerland Plantation with his little sister, 12-year-old Homer becomes part of a secret community called Freewater, where he finally finds a place to call home and the courage to go back and free his mother from enslavement.



## *The Summer I Turned Pretty*

by Jenny Han

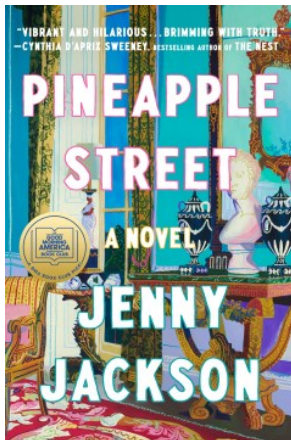
Belly spends the summer she turns sixteen at the beach just like every other summer of her life, but this time things are very different.



## *All That Is Mine I Carry With Me: A Novel*

by William Landay

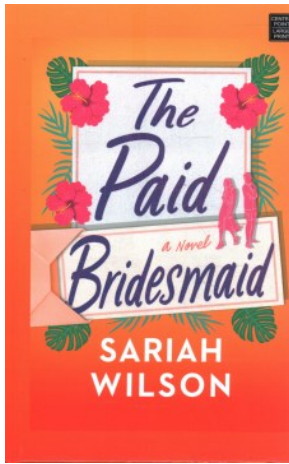
When the remains of their mother's body are discovered twenty years after she went missing, three siblings must decide whether or not to believe their criminal defense attorney father is guilty of the murder or stand by him.



## *Pineapple Street: A Novel*

by Jenny Jackson

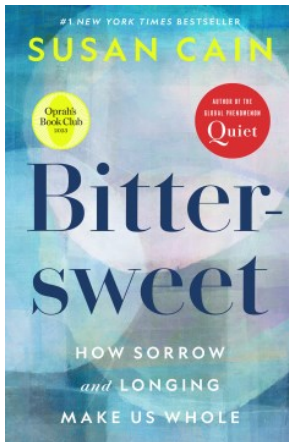
A novel of family, love and class follows three women in one wealthy Brooklyn clan. A first novel.



## [The Paid Bridesmaid](#)

by Sariah Wilson

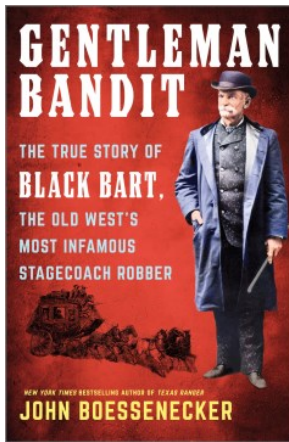
Rachel Vinson is a bridesmaid for hire: part confidante, part wedding planner, and one hundred percent pretend BFF. Discretion guaranteed. Her next gig is a destination wedding -- livestreamed and sponsored -- for an Instagram influencer. That means a paradise of new contacts, which could be a boon to her already booming business. If Rachel can keep the very handsome and slightly too interested best man at bay, that is. (Large Print)



## [Bittersweet: How Sorrow and Longing Make Us Whole](#)

by Susan Cain

The author of the best-selling *Quiet* discusses how a bittersweet state of mind can actually be a kind of silent energy that aids us in overcoming our personal and societal suffering.



## *Gentleman Bandit: The True Story of Black Bart, the Old West's Most Infamous Stagecoach Robber*

by John Boessenecker

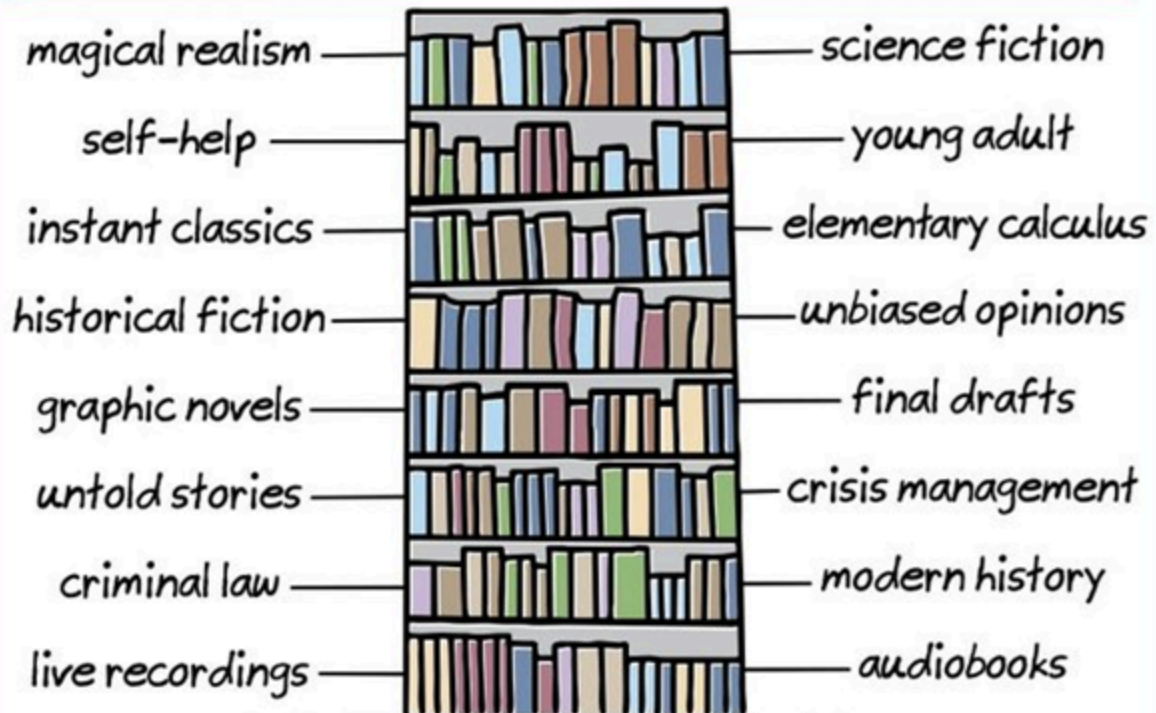
Black Bart is widely regarded today as not only the most notorious stage robber of the Old West but also the best behaved. Over his lifetime, Black Bart held up at least twenty-nine stagecoaches in California and Oregon with mild, polite commands, stealing from Wells Fargo and the US mail but never robbing a passenger. Such behavior earned him the title of a true 'gentleman bandit.' His real name was Charles E. Boles, and in the public eye, Charles lived quietly as a boulevardier in San Francisco, the wealthiest and most exciting city in the American West. Boles was an educated man who traveled among respectable crowds. Because he did not drink, fight or consort with prostitutes, his true calling as America's greatest stage robber was never suspected until his final capture in 1883. Sheriffs searched and struggled for years to find him, and newspaper editors had a field day reporting his exploits. Legends and rumors trailed his name until his mysterious death, and his ultimate fate remains one of the greatest mysteries of the Old West. Now historian John Boessenecker sheds new light on Black Bart's beginnings, reputation and exploits, bringing to life the glittering story of the mysterious stage robber who doubled as a rich, genteel socialite in the golden era of the Wild West.

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**LIBRARIANS ARE HILARIOUS**

# at the oxymoron library

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