

## ***Forest Lodge Library – Town Report for Cable and Namakagon - April 2026***

### **New Library Building Update...**

We are excited to share that the library board accepted the furniture, fixtures, and equipment (FF&E) proposal that was presented at a special meeting in March.

We now move on to the next phase of the FF&E, where our interior design company will assist us in putting these items out for bid. They will be out for bid for 3-4 weeks. After that time, there will be a public meeting (on zoom) to open bids. The library board will then make selections from the bids and we will be able to move forward with ordering, manufacturing, and delivery. The manufacturing and delivery are said to take about 3-4 months to complete.

### **March Patron Visits: 461**

**FLL Brd Mtg:** Wednesday, April 8<sup>th</sup> at 5pm

**KFE Brd Mtg:** Wednesday, April 22<sup>nd</sup> at 5 pm

### **April Library Programs...**

**Digital Navigator- Tech Support: Wednesdays, April 8<sup>th</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup> from 10 AM to 3 PM at the library.**

- Support and assistance with devices from our digital navigator Eric Faber
- laptops and I-pads available for checkout.
  - Eric is able to check these out for you when he is at the library;
  - Director Westlund is also able to check these out for you as well.
  - These can be used by anyone – you do not need to have a library card.

### **Get a Clue Mystery Book Club**

Our next meeting is

Tuesday, April 7 at 4 p.m. at the UCC library space.

Book focus: Ruth Run by Elizabeth Kaufmann

### **Paint Roulette Night**

Come to the Forest Lodge Library for a fun evening of painting!

This is no ordinary 'paint night'. Each participant will get a blank canvas, a variety of acrylic paints and brushes (all participants MUST pre-register; there must be at least 4 registered for the event to proceed; there are 8 spaces available).

No cost, but donations are always welcome.

**To register** – email Director Westlund at: [awestlund@cable.wislib.org](mailto:awestlund@cable.wislib.org) or call the library at 715-798-3189.

***About the Paint Roulette event:***

To start the evening, you will get 5 minutes to paint on your own canvas. There is no template or lesson to follow – you paint whatever you want. THEN...we swap seats! Everyone will move to the right one seat...meaning they will be in front of their neighbor's painting to start the next 5 minutes. Participants will get 5 minutes to add paint to the canvas they are sitting at, and then...swap seats to the right again! This will continue until everyone gets back to their own seat. If there are 8 participants (maximum capacity), this will take 50-60 minutes in all. When you arrive back at your own seat, you will have your masterpiece that all participants have helped to create!

**Puzzle Swap at the Repair Cafe**

The Forest Lodge Library is partnering with the Repair Cafe in March to do a community puzzle swap!

You can drop off puzzles at the library and get tickets to use on April 18th, or you can come on April 18th and consider a donation for the puzzles available.

No puzzle? No problem! Puzzles will be available, and we appreciate your consideration of a small donation.

**National Library Week – April 19-26, 2026 – theme: Find Your Joy!**

**Monday:** Right to Read Day

**Tuesday:** National Library Workers' Day

**Wednesday:** National Library Outreach Day

**Thursday:** Take Action for Libraries Day

\*more information can be found regarding each day on our website on our calendar events page:

<https://forestlodgelibrary.org/events/2026-04/>

***Respectfully submitted by Director Amanda Westlund      April 1, 2026***