

news

Our mission is to provide support for the needs of the La Crescent Public Library and the betterment of the community.

The Friends of the La Crescent Library Board of Directors has had constraints on conducting the business of supporting the library, as we know everyone has. We continue to move forward and hope that you will continue to support our fundraising efforts for the La Crescent Public Library.

Your Support – So Important

Like so many other local organizations, 2020 brought us to a halt. We explored ways to continue to meet our goals to help the library. Here's how we did it: our Holiday Cookie Sale became part of the Auction Basket Sale online; the Valentine Chocolate Sale and the Apple Pie Sale were successful as pre-orders flowed in; the Friends Bookstore was closed so we moved it to the Front Porch on warm days where it was a huge success. This would not have been possible without your continued support.

Thank You

The board of the Friends of the La Crescent Library **thinks you**. We have one goal in mind – to enhance the services of the La Crescent Public Library.

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Through the Friends you can help with a tax-deductible donation. If you would like more information, please contact us through the library, 507-895-4047.

Checks payable to the Friends of the La Crescent Library are greatly appreciated. We are a 501(c)(3), tax-deductible organization.

Apple Pie Sale – October 15



Fresh home baked apple pies made to order just for you. Pies are \$12 and must be pre-ordered.

Pre-order starting Oct. 1, through Oct. 9.

Pick up date is Friday, **October 15**, from 3-6 pm at the La Crescent Public Library. We had a record sale last year, so be sure to place your order for a great apple pie. To order call the library at 507-895-4047.

Friends' Calendar of Events

- Apple Pie Sale – Oct. 15, 2021
- Cookie Walk – Dec. 10, 2021
- Membership Drive – Jan. 2022
- Friends Annual Meeting – Feb. 3, 2022
- Valentine Chocolate Sale – Feb. 12, 2022

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Holiday Cookie Sale



It will look different, but we are planning to sell trays of your favorite holiday cookies.

Mark your calendar for the annual Holiday Cookie Sale on Friday, **December 10**, at the Community Center.

Silent Auction Baskets

Those wonderful holiday baskets are coming again this year at the library. The Friends donate fun baskets to be included with many others in the library Silent Auction. Another way the library and Friends raise funds for your community library. Be sure to check the schedule on the library web site and Facebook page for the early December dates.

Meeting the Challenges

The staff of the library – librarians, library assistants and volunteers – made it through the challenging 2020 year and halfway through 2021. They are gearing up for longer open hours, adding back programs and services and creating new opportunities. Look here for updates:

Library web site — <https://lacscent.lib.mn.us/>
Face Book — <https://www.facebook.com/lacscentpubliclibrary/>
Telephone — 507-895-4047

The book is a film that takes place in the mind of the reader. That's why we go to movies and say "Oh, the book is better."
— Paulo Coelho

Front Porch Book Sales

Since the pandemic hit the area the Friends' Book Store (which operates out of the back of the City Hall/Police Station) has been closed. So, we created the Front Porch Book Sales for the warm weather months. What a great way to buy books, on the front porch of the La Crescent Library.

We are selling gently-used books donated to the library and Friends. You can pick up one book or fill a bag. All books and CDs are 50¢. These are pop-up sales, so watch for the signs around town.

During the past challenging 18 months your book purchases and some extra cash donations have raised over \$4500, which will help the library buy new books.

The Friends have sold books to many happy readers and every dollar goes to the library.



Partnering for Health

Gundersen Health and La Crescent Public Library

The La Crescent Public Library is partnering locally with Gundersen Health in the *All of Us* research program. Ultimately the program will help design new medicines which can be individualized for people with specific medical needs. This program is a nationwide effort from the National Institutes of Health (NIH) and major health providers to improve medical research.

The *All of Us* Research Program has a simple mission: to speed up health research breakthroughs. To do this, it needs 1 million people to share health information. In the future, researchers can use these details to conduct thousands of health studies. As a proud partner of the *All of Us* Research Program, Gundersen collects and provides health information from participants. *All of Us* is free to join, and participants may receive free health screenings and information. Want to find out more? You can reach the *All of Us* Research Program at Gundersen by calling 608-775-2171 or email them at allofus@gundersenhealth.org. Other questions: contact Kayce Gentry, librarian, at 895-4047.