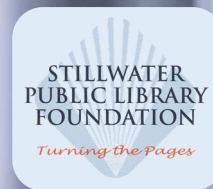




# 2016 IMPACT REPORT



## TURNING THE PAGES

*"The journey of a lifetime starts with the turning of a page." ~ Rachel Anders*



When Don Carlson designed our logo — an open book, its pages turning — we had no idea that the Library Foundation would tell such a powerful story. Over the years we turned many pages with the entwined themes of gratitude and generosity.

The book tells the story of generous support for the Stillwater Public Library, which boasts resources for people of every age, interest, ability, and need. Open doors every day of the week. Online books and information every hour of the day. Education, entertainment, enjoyment. A place to work or relax, to engage or retreat.

Every donor has a story. Sometimes they share a story of gratitude with their donation. Always, their generosity speaks clearly and beautifully of their deep appreciation for the library.

Lynne Bertalmio and the outstanding library staff are always extravagant in their gratitude for volunteer support and for materials, programs, and services that they would otherwise not be able to provide. Their passion and commitment to lifelong learning for people of all ages is a chapter that everyone loves.

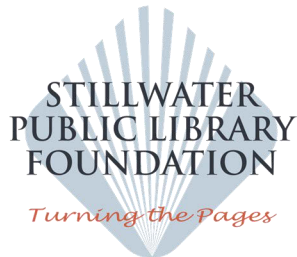
The Foundation Board Members enjoy the great privilege and the great responsibility of stewarding donors' gifts to benefit the library. It is a very exciting story for us — truly a page-turner.

I hope you enjoy this Impact Report. Thank you for turning the pages.

With gratitude,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Ann Wolff".

Ann Wolff, 2016 President  
Stillwater Public Library Foundation



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BY  
THE  
NUMBERS

**\$161,577**  
raised

**\$255**  
Average Donation

**\$25,573**  
Endowment  
Fund Balance

**\$8,000**  
grant for  
Fall 2016  
Sundays

**\$7,000**  
e-materials  
grant

**\$44,878**  
fundraising  
events  
total

**635**  
donations

**475 donors**

**\$15,000 Endowment Gift**

**\$5,650**  
for summer  
reading  
programs

**\$12,469**  
granted for  
materials



# EXPAND YOUNG MINDS

**YOUR INVESTMENT** builds a generation of readers who are curious and ready to learn, to question, and to explore!

**Youth Services Program Assistant:** In 2016, the library offered more than 270 programs that were attended by 8,210 children and teens. The Foundation supported the Youth Services Librarian by funding an assistant to help develop, organize, implement, and evaluate programs and events for children, teens, and families.



**Youth Summer Reading Program:** The Library's summer reading program was a highlight of 2016. Foundation funding allowed Youth Services staff to devote themselves to creating readers, supporting students' literacy achievements, and developing bonds with children and teens that result in life-long library users.

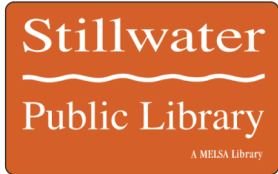
**"A library card is the most important school supply."**

**Youth Services Programming Year Round:** The Foundation provides funds for imaginative and educational experiences all year. STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math) programs encourage discovery, promote creativity, and broaden horizons. Literacy enrichment activities and special guests make stories and learning leap off the page!

**Easy and Juvenile Fiction:** A grant from the Foundation replaced well-loved copies of children's picture books and chapter books. These favorites help instill the joy of reading in our youth.

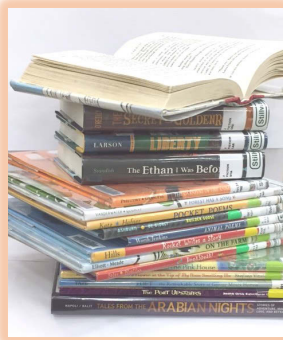


# 2016 KIDS STATS



138 new library cards for kids and teens in June—August

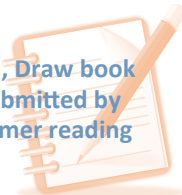
More than 155,000 materials for youth circulated



270 programs attended by 8,210 children and teens in 2016



655 Read, Write, Draw book review forms submitted by kids during summer reading



“ I cannot begin to thank you for all the support you gave to my family this summer. I have discovered the wonders of the local library with my grandchildren.

My 9 year-old grand-daughter needed to complete a summer project for school. Everyone had so much patience, time, and caring to help her.

Her 6 year-old brother is a sweet little boy with special needs. School has been a struggle for him. Reading a chore. The librarians were able to encourage him to do things that I could not ever imagine him doing. He is now doing well in school and is on grade level in first grade. Without all the wonderful programs, he would not be as comfortable talking to others. He is able to express his thoughts and he even asks to read books.

Their 2 year-old brother is a handful. But I am taking him to the story hours on Tuesday and Wednesday. He loves the stories and crafts. He is now singing the songs and trying to do the hand motions. I plan on continuing to attend as much as possible to give him a basis for learning to love to read.

It is so incredible how much these children have improved in one summer. By these experiences a new world has opened to them and I believe it has expanded and has enriched their lives. Thanks so much for having the programs and people to do that.”

~ Helen, Library Patron and Foundation Donor, 2016

# INSPIRE LIFELONG LEARNING



**YOUR INVESTMENT** allows adults to continue to learn, inquire, adapt, and grow. From technology classes and summer concerts on the terrace to best-selling novels and the New York Times, lifelong learning occurs each day at the library.

**Adult Summer Reading Program:** Summer at the Library was not only about kids! The Foundation funded *Light Up Your Reading*, a program for adults featuring a reading club, art classes, concerts on the terrace, weekly prizes, and more. Readers also discovered new authors and genres with READ bags. These small backpacks, containing 3 books carefully selected by staff, provided a fun and easy way for adults to hit the hammock or beach with a stack of good reads.

**Newspaper Subscriptions:** With ballooning costs of print newspaper subscriptions, the Foundation provided support to continue this valuable and demanded service for patrons by funding the daily and Sunday New York Times, the Wall Street Journal, the Pioneer Press, the Star Tribune, and more.

**Multiple Copies of Best Selling Fiction:** Through Foundation funding, the library added multiple copies of best-selling fiction to shorten waiting lists.

**Large Print:** The Library may have one title in many formats to meet the various needs and wants of readers. The Foundation provided funds to increase the library's collection of large print books, providing broader access to reading.

**Weeding:** To keep the library's collections fresh and accurate and to make room for new materials, the Foundation supported the weeding of the adult nonfiction collection.





Jean DeCurtins has been coming to the Stillwater Public Library for 90 years. He is an avid user of the newspaper, magazine, and nonfiction collections. He visits the library twice per day, reading five newspapers!

Here's what he says about the library:

- "Everybody is equal at the library."
- "If you're looking for one thing, you discover something else."
- "It's your own private college where you learn at your own rate."
- "It's always there, if you want it. I go there every day. "

**"Commit yourself to lifelong learning. The most valuable asset you'll ever have is your mind and what you put into it." ~ Brian Tracy**

## 2016 ADULT STATS

More than 40 free programs  
More than 800 participants

**Internet 101**  
**Mystery Book Club**  
Writing Classes  
Fireside Knit  
**Microsoft Word Basics**  
**Image Editing**  
Painted Tiles  
Summer Concerts on the Terrace  
**TedX Photography for Change**  
**AAUW Getting to Know**  
**the Role of Muslim Women Better**

**144,803**

Print Materials for  
Adults Circulated

**20,406**

e-Books and  
e-Mags Circulated

**432**

Book Reviews Submitted by Adults

# OPEN THE DOORS

**YOUR INVESTMENT** opens the doors to the library seven days a week, whether visiting in-person or accessing services remotely.

**Sunday Hours:** Frequently requested by patrons, Sunday Hours have been a popular addition to the library's services. Thanks to the generosity of Foundation donors and a matching gift from Patrick and Jane Thiele, the library opened on Sundays for the 2015-2016 school year. The Foundation continued funding Sunday hours for the Fall of 2016. With such positive response from the public, the Foundation and the Library will split the cost of Sunday Hours for 2017.

*"We like Sundays. We like that the library is available when we are. The staff is always so helpful with the computers and the library is a very pleasant place to be." ~ Jean and Jay*

*Lydia biked to the library with her Mom one Sunday afternoon. "I would come to the library every day if I could."*



*"I come to study when I'm home on the weekends." ~ Tyler, a senior at Winona State University.*

**E-Services:** The library's electronic resources may be accessed via its website, opening the doors to learning, engagement, and entertainment 24/7. Thanks to a grant from the Huelsmann Foundation, funds are provided to build the library's collections of e-books, downloadable audio books, and other electronic materials and services.



# ENGAGE THE COMMUNITY

40 ADULTS

24 TEENS

2,574  
VOLUNTEER  
HOURS



**YOUR INVESTMENT** provides valued volunteer service to the library and meaningful engagement opportunities for our community.

The Foundation, with a matching grant from the Margaret Rivers Fund, funds a Volunteer Coordinator to recruit, train, schedule, manage, and recognize volunteers. Volunteers provide tremendous support to the library staff.

Volunteering at the library allows individuals to give meaningfully of their time and talents, to both connect with their community and to make it a better place. It provides opportunities to build relationships, to learn new skills, and to increase fun and fulfillment in life.

*"The time I spend volunteering at the library or just being at the library is time that gives back. Volunteering is such a great experience that is so much fun and you collaborate with amazing people. I also love getting books; I intend to just look around, and leave with an armful of books."*

*~ Sydney, teen volunteer, assisting with STEM programming*



# GENERATE REVENUE



**YOUR INVESTMENT** generates revenue for the library that directly supports library operations.

The Stillwater Public Library's breathtaking rooftop terrace provides a perfect venue for wedding ceremonies, receptions, and anniversary parties. A grant from the Stillwater Public Library Foundation provides funding for an Event Coordinator to promote, schedule, and oversee the events that take place at the library. All of the income from weddings and events goes directly to the library, bolstering its operations.

**39  
WEDDINGS  
& EVENTS**



**\$59,392 IN REVENUE  
FOR THE LIBRARY!**

# LEAVE A LEGACY

**YOUR INVESTMENT** ensures the long-term vibrancy of the Stillwater Public Library!

In June 2016, the Foundation established an endowment fund with the Stillwater Area Foundation, an affiliate of the St. Croix Valley Foundation. Gifts to the endowment fund provide an additional source of funding to assure long-term growth and stability. These legacy donations empower individuals, strengthen families, and make our community a better place by providing library resources and opportunities to enlighten and engage current and future generations of library users.



"I loved growing up in a Carnegie library. Now, decades later, under its tall ceilings and surrounded by books, I'm suddenly ten again. There's a remembered sense of security and permanence, curiosity and wonder, and the life-changing power of story - all because of my community's foresight and someone's donations.

Through the endowment fund, I can make a difference to today's children - and tomorrow's. What a privilege it is."

~ Endowment Donor, 2016

## FUND & FRIEND RAISING EVENTS



**YOUR PARTICIPATION** in the Foundation's 2016 fundraising events allowed us bring in needed dollars to support the Stillwater Public Library.



In March, Foundation supporters gathered for **Beer for Books** at [Lift Bridge Brewery](#). Lift Bridge generously donated \$1 to the Foundation for each beer purchased. On tap for 2017, a new summer brew of Beer for Books on Tuesday, August 22, 2017.

More than 370 guests enjoyed a literally magical evening at **Light a Spark**, as [magician Matt Dunn](#) performed amazing feats right before their eyes. Young and old alike savored delicious small bites from [Scheel's Catering](#), won cakes and treats from local bakeries and restaurants, danced under the stars with dynamic [DJ Kailen Nelson](#), and enjoyed Stillwater's dazzling fireworks. The proceeds of the event ignited, curiosity, wonder, and learning in people of all ages, interests, abilities, and needs.



Food, fashion, and fiction (and non-fiction too) were in full force at November's **Style Speaks Volumes III!** Authors rewrote themselves as models as they donned the latest fall fashions from [Sash](#) and [Matt + Nate: Men's. Life. Style](#). Guests connected with authors, shopped the styles, and purchased new favorite books from [Valley Booksellers](#). Next on the runway is Style Speaks Volume IV on November 10 and 11, 2017.

# FINANCIAL REPORT

2016

## Revenue and Support

Contributions	\$140,472
Event Ticket Sales & Purchases	\$21,060
Investment Income	\$859

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**Total Revenue and Support** **\$162,391**

## Expenditures

Program Services (Grants, Awards, and Gifts to Library)	\$109,320
Fundraising & Events	\$29,275
Administrative & General	\$22,259

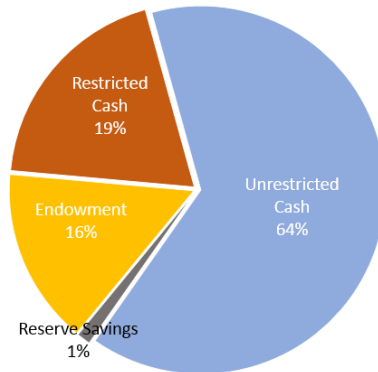
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**Total Expenditures** **\$160,854**

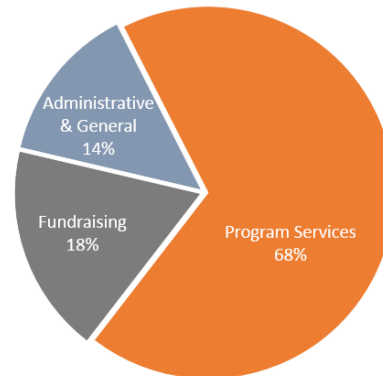
## Ending Balance

**\$1,537**

2016 TOTAL ASSETS



2016 EXPENDITURE ALLOCATIONS



# WITH GRATITUDE



**YOUR GENEROUS HEART** for the library has provided a wealth of resources and opportunities that would not otherwise be possible. The Foundation is very grateful to all who gave support in 2016. Private funds make the difference between good libraries and great libraries. We have a great library! Thank you for making it so.

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Rebecca Erickson



### Spotted at the library on a Sunday afternoon

Don finds the library to be the best place for his computer work. "The computers always work, the printers always work, and there's always someone to ask if I have a question."

Foundation funding made STEM programs possible at the Library, promoting inquiry, curiosity, and excitement while offering fact-based learning and fun, hands-on experiences.

At first glance, the Ziploc bag with smashed pudding, cereal, and saltines seems like an accident that is waiting to happen. But to the preschoolers who were doing the smashing, this was an experiment designed to show the process of digestion in the stomach. Before they start smashing, the librarian asks, "What do you think might happen?" So starts the practice of critical thinking.



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Rene Parisi  
Bob & Barb Parke  
Dorothy Parkhurst



Mary Margaret treasures the library  
which she finds “absolutely gorgeous!”  
It’s a destination whenever she is in  
Stillwater visiting relatives.

The Johnson Terrace is a destination for both out of town visitors and regular patrons. The addition of new umbrellas for the tables and relaxing Adirondack chairs make the terrace a perfect place to visit with friends, soak in the views, or enjoy a good book.





The minute I step into a library, everything is possible. ~ Betsy Carter

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Mizsuki Designs, Suki Thomsen  
Kathleen and Thomas Thueson  
Swirl  
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Victoriano's  
Water Street Inn  
Wedge & Wheel

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*Our gratitude to these individuals for their gifts of time and talents to support the Foundation.*

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## Tributes

*We are honored and grateful to have received these gifts.*

### In Memory Of

**Catharine N. Bell**

*Given by Alice Engelman, Friday Study Club*

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**In Honor Of**

**My mother Marcia Anderson**

*Given by Noreen & Kevin Olson*

**Lynne Bertalmio. Thank you, Lynne, for helping to make our library an outstanding resource and a point of community pride!**

*Given by Dale & Jennifer Shaller*

**My dear friends Arlyce, Denise, Heidi, Jan, Lori, Jackie & Anne!**

*Given by Kristy Bjerk*

**Leslie E. Forster**

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**In honor of my grandchildren Mia, Lilly, Liviah, and Liam who will benefit from this wonderful library!**

*Given by Cindy Martin*

**Karen Hannah**

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**Myron and Irmy Haugen**

*Given by Nancy Haugen, Carol Stabenow*

**Aurora Jacobsen**

*Given by Susan Buchman*

**To my beautiful daughter, Vanessa Kirkeby. Never stop reading. It keeps your mind creative!**

*Given by Denise Kirkeby*

**Library Board and Library Staff**

*Given by Jo Gascoigne*

**Our beautiful library!**

*Given by Sue & Joseph Sperber & Family*

**Carol, Matt, and Nate Stabenow**

*Given by Nancy Haugen*

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*Given by Bob & Mary Molenda*

**Gary and Janet Stone**

*Given by Marilyn Miller*

**Janet Stone**

*Given by Gary Stone*

**Ann Wolff**

*Given by Helen Goldberg,*

*Carlos & Nancy Taylor*



**“I don’t have to look far to find treasures.  
I discover them every time I visit the library.”  
~ Ray Bradbury**

## LOOKING AHEAD



## WRITING THE LIBRARY'S FUTURE STORY

**We** are the best authors of our Library's future story. *What an exciting time of opportunity!*

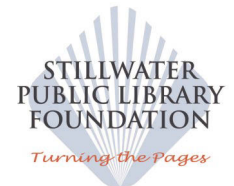
Honoring the rich 10 year history of the Foundation, growing the endowment fund and enabling the installation of hearing loops in our venerable Carnegie library building is all worthy of celebration. And the good works we do going forward will maintain our excellent resources and refresh the benefits we provide the community for years to come.

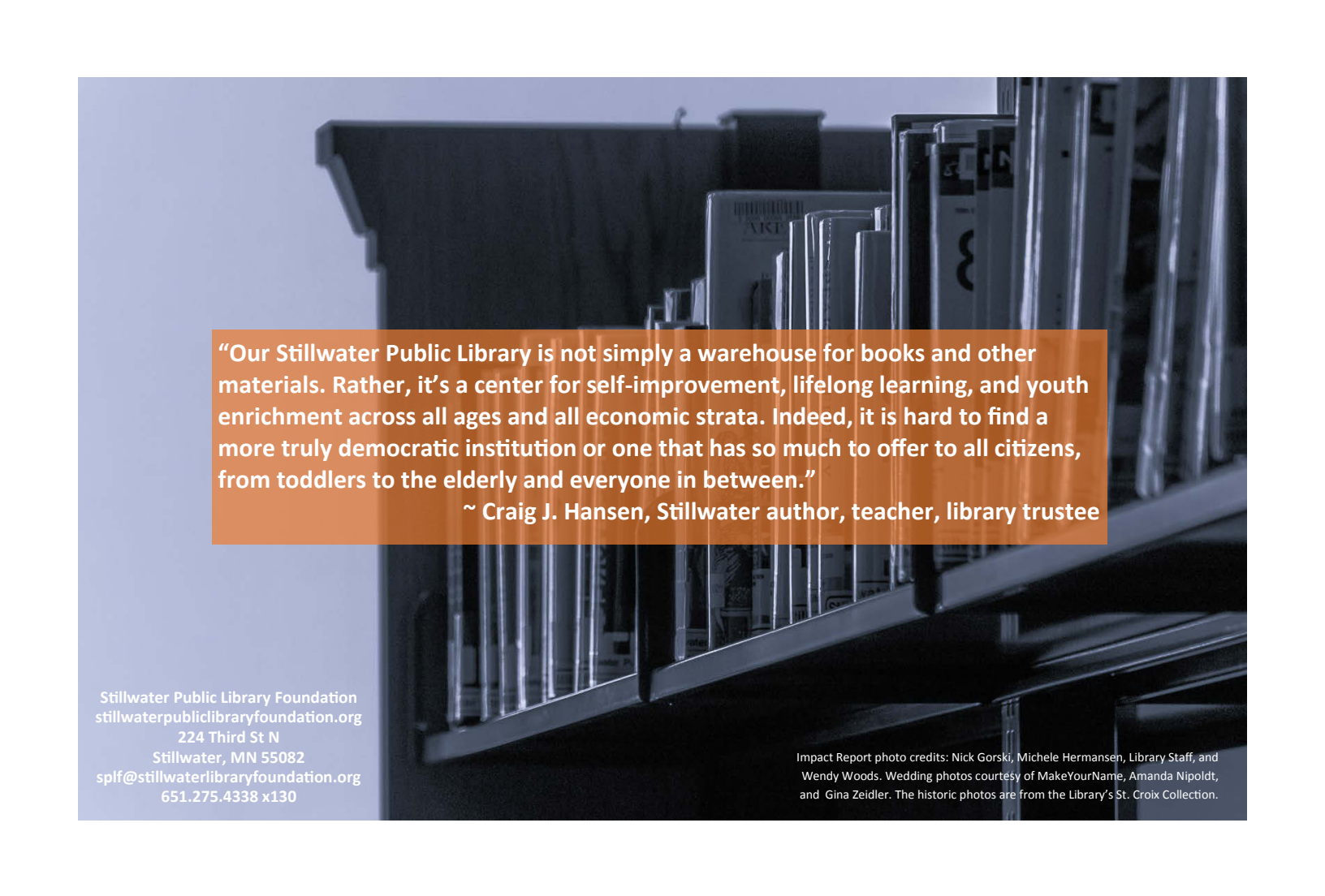


I am humbled and honored to serve as your Foundation President in 2017. And I am deeply grateful for the trust given us by our generous donors. It is my pleasure to carry on the tradition of dedicated Board members who love books, love our Library and most of all love the community of people we represent.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Fred Rengel".

Fred Rengel  
2017 President, Stillwater Public Library Foundation





**“Our Stillwater Public Library is not simply a warehouse for books and other materials. Rather, it’s a center for self-improvement, lifelong learning, and youth enrichment across all ages and all economic strata. Indeed, it is hard to find a more truly democratic institution or one that has so much to offer to all citizens, from toddlers to the elderly and everyone in between.”**

**~ Craig J. Hansen, Stillwater author, teacher, library trustee**

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OUR FOUNDATION FOR THE FUTURE



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**7:00 pm — 10:00 pm**

Come celebrate the treasure of our Stillwater Public Library and the work the Foundation has done over the past ten years to make this a valued destination for our community.

Good food, good company, great entertainment, and best of all — the opportunity to show your support for this gem of a library and ensure its vibrancy for future generations.

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