



Manhattan Library Association

# BOOK REPORT

## SUCCESSFUL SALE, THANK YOU!

When the Book Sale Committee met in October to prepare for the next Book Sale, they found a room filled with hundreds of boxes of books and library furniture removed during the pandemic. The volunteer group worked diligently to find a solution and with their efforts we had a successful sale at City Park, the last weekend in April 2022.

The sale resulted in a total of \$9,329.73 funds raised that will support library programming.

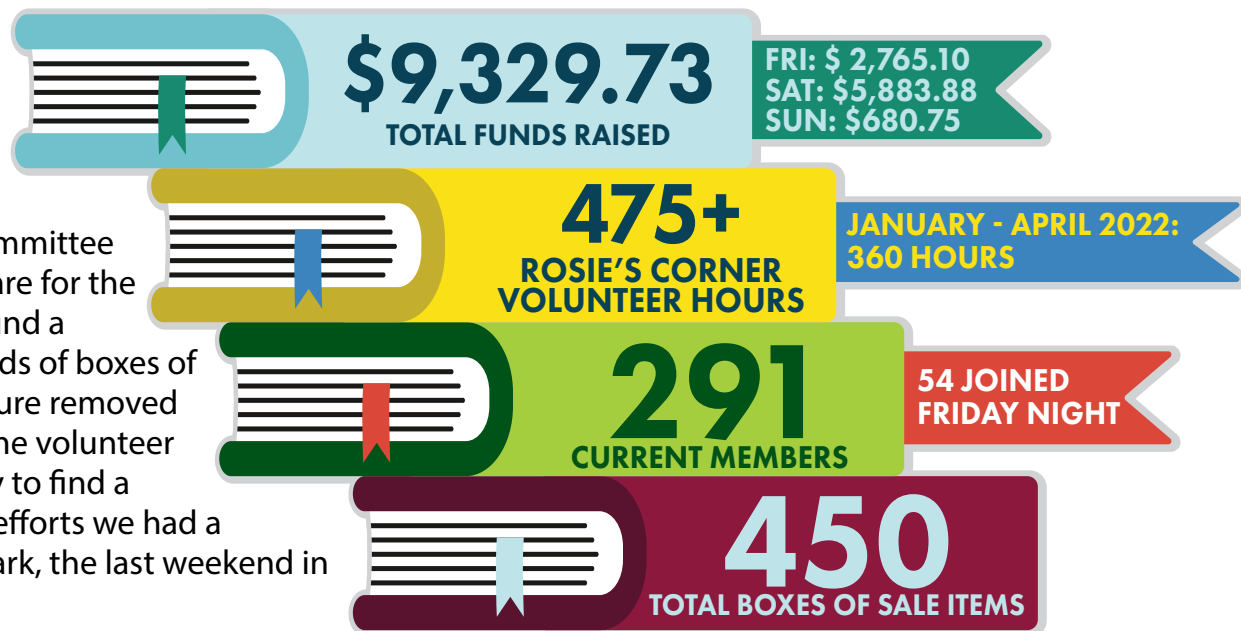
A special thank you to the Rosie's Corner Volunteers who donated more than 475 hours of time to sort through books for the sale and the used book corner.

## REACHING OUT IN THE COMMUNITY

Outreach is an important part to promoting library services and allows library staff to put faces to those services and share the library's mission. Funds from this group helped support these opportunities.

Since late April we've had many successful opportunities, including:

- On April 23, library staff had a booth at the Little Apple Pride Fest, where an estimated 750 people came by the library booth.
- Between April 21 - May 17, library staff visited nearby schools and hosted library tours to promote Summer Reading. Thanks to their efforts the total participants in the kids program is in the thousands!
- June 4, library staff attended the Riley County Health Department's "Community Baby Shower" and over 150 parents/parents-to-be attended the event. We gave out library information and a free board book.
- On the evening of May 10, library staff were invited to give a presentation to several Afghan families, the presentation included how to get a library card, the benefits of having a card, and more. The presentation resulted in 13 parents and kids getting library cards that evening.
- On June 18, library staff attended the Manhattan Juneteenth celebration at City Park. While in attendance library staff gave out library swag, free books, put up the 140 Years of Soul panels, and more.



## NEW ADDITIONS AT YOUR LIBRARY

The Manhattan Public Library continues to adapt and expand with new resources and opportunities. In the last few months the library has added several new additions in all areas of the library. In the Children's Room, the new Wonderbooks collection was made available. These are books with an audio player on the front inside cover. The audio player reads through the book with the reader and the reader selects a learning mode that asks questions about the title to help with reading comprehension and facilitate conversation about the book.

A new virtual reality experience has been brought to the Teen Zone, by the end of the month, teens will have access to the popular *Oculus* headset.

If you're looking for a new title to read, the Staff Picks display is back. Next time you visit the library, stop by the Holds Corner and browse what library staff recommends. It was so popular in May, that a total of 70 Staff Picks were checked out!

Lastly, through the generous funding provided by the *Greater Manhattan Community Foundation*, the library will soon be offering a special grant writing resource, also known as *Grant Station*. With this resource, users can find grant opportunities, learn about building a grants program, and writing proposals. This resource will be available for use inside the library.



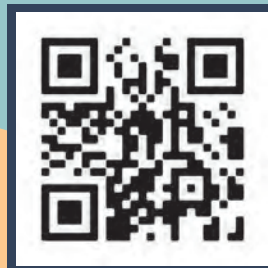
Savannah and other library staff members participated in *Oculus* training on Thursday, June 16.

## RECOGNITION FOR EXEMPLARY WORK

A big congratulations is in order to the Manhattan Library Association (MLA) for the continued commitment to supporting the library and its services. In honor of their work, MLA was awarded the Outstanding Friends Group Award from the Friends of Kansas Libraries (FoKL). MLA received a \$100 award and was recognized in the FoKL newsletter. Thank you for all you do to support library programs. We are grateful for all MLA provides.

# OCEANS OF POSSIBILITIES

Open to all ages.  
June 1 - July 31



It's as easy as read, track, and earn prizes!  
Sign up for the 2022 Summer Reading Program by visiting [www.mhklibrary.org/SR](http://www.mhklibrary.org/SR) or scan the QR code using the camera on your phone to get started.

## CONNECT WITH US!

An extended part of library outreach is through social media. You're invited to connect with us by "Friending" your library on these social platforms.

Facebook: [@manhattanpubliclibrary](https://www.facebook.com/manhattanpubliclibrary)  
Instagram: [manhattanpublib](https://www.instagram.com/manhattanpublib)

## UPCOMING EVENTS

REGISTER AT [BIT.LY/3AC6JQD](https://bit.ly/3AC6JQD).

**SUMMER READING PROGRAM:  
OCEANS OF POSSIBILITIES**  
JUNE 1 - JULY 31

**LIBRARY CLOSED FOR JULY 4**  
SUN., JULY 3 & MON., JULY 4

**DIY NIGHT:  
BEACH TERRARIUM**  
THU., JULY 7 | 7 - 8 PM

**YACK AND YARN**  
EVERY MONDAY\* | 1 - 3:30 PM  
\*NO MEETING JULY 4.

**TECH DROP-IN  
SENIOR SERVICES CENTER**  
MON., JULY 18 | 9:15 - 11:45 AM

**BABY TOY DIY**  
TUE., JULY 19 | 11 AM - 12 PM

**FAMILY FUN COOKING:  
FRUIT POPSICLES**  
THU., JULY 21 | 3 - 4:30 PM

**TECH DROP-IN  
SENIOR SERVICES CENTER**  
MON., APRIL 18 | 9:15 - 11:45 AM

**DIY NIGHT:  
FRESH SPRING ROLLS**  
THU., AUGUST 4 | 7 - 8 PM



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## HONORED FOR SERVICE

The Manhattan Library Association Annual Meeting (MLA) convened on Wednesday, April 13. Library Director Eric Norris welcomed those in attendance, presenting a review of the support for library programs and projects provided by MLA.

Each year the MLA Board identifies and recognizes individuals who have made extraordinary contributions to the Manhattan Public Library. This year, three individuals were honored for their service to the library and MLA.

Stephen Bridenstine, MLA Membership and Nominating Chair presented the plaque to Pat Brown, Midge and C. Clyde Jones, and Kathleen Lanksbury expressing the Association's gratitude for their many years of service and support to the library community.



Left to Right: *Stephen Bridenstine*, MLA Membership and Nominating Chair, *Judy Burgess*, MLA President, *Kathleen Lanksbury*, 2022 MLA Honoree, and *Eric Norris*, Library Director at the 2022 MLA Annual Meeting in April.

Memorial books were later chosen in their honor and are available to check out at the library.

In honor of Pat Brown:

***Ireland: A Luminous Beauty***

by Peter Harbison

In honor of C. Clyde Jones:

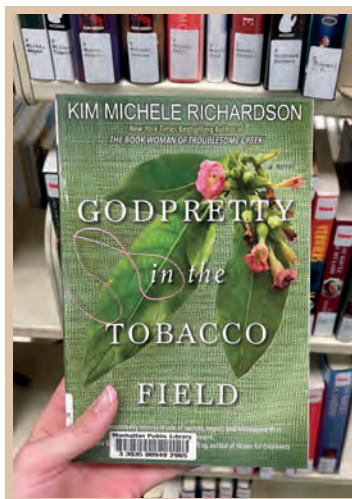
***Sparring Partners***

by John Grisham

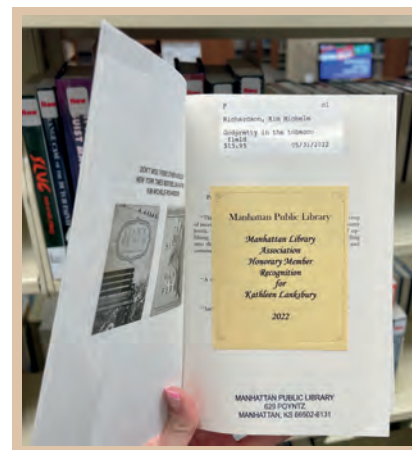
In honor of Kathleen Lanksbury:

***GodPretty in the Tobacco Field***

by Kim Michele Richardson



Memorial book selected in honor of Kathleen Lanksbury.



Each book has a sticker inside with recognition of the honorary member.