

# BARABOO PUBLIC LIBRARY

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## We're Growing! Seed Library Opens April 19

The Seed Library is a joint project of the Baraboo Public Library and the Sauk County Master Gardener Association. We are ready for a new season of providing free heirloom seed to gardeners to teach and promote the art of heirloom seed saving and sharing. Master Gardener volunteer Doreen Hamburg coordinates the Seed Library, maintaining the seeds in the collection.

### Why a Seed Library?

The Seed Library is a repository of heirloom and open pollinated varieties of plant seeds that are important to preserve. By saving the seeds from the plants that do best in local gardens, you are participating in developing varieties that are uniquely adapted to thrive in our growing environment. The better adapted a variety is, the easier it is to grow.

To make sure the Baraboo Seed Library is a vital and useful part of preserving a safe and diverse seed supply for this area, we need Seed Library participants who will grow their plants to maturity, harvest seeds at the right time for the particular variety of plant involved, and bring in saved seeds to share with the Seed Library.

### How does the Seed Library work?

- Pick up a registration form and copies of the Seed Saving handouts at the Adult Circulation desk.
- Choose the seeds you want to grow in your garden.
- Complete the registration form and return it the Adult Circulation desk.
- Plant your seeds! Grow plants to maturity and harvest the seeds at the proper time from healthy specimens of the plants.
- Once you have collected and dried your seeds, save some for yourself and return some to the library. Please label your seeds clearly and be sure to include the name of the variety, if known.
- Return your seeds to the Adult Circulation desk at the library any time.

### We Need Your Help

In preparation for the 2018 season, Doreen has sorted, tested and removed seeds with a germination rate of less than 60%. These seeds will still grow, but the gardener would want to double-up on planting them to ensure a bountiful harvest.


We are looking for volunteers for a very special project. The **Baraboo Seed Library Seed Corps** is a group of gardeners dedicated to furthering the efforts of the Seed Library. Seed Corps volunteers will be given specific older seed to be grown to maturity and harvested for seeds to repopulate our collection at the Baraboo Public Library.

**As you plan your 2018 home garden, would you be willing to set aside space for growing out older seed from the Seed Library, grow the plant to maturity, harvest the seeds, and donate them back to the library?**

If you are willing to participate in the Seed Library Seed Corps, or for more Seed Library information, please contact Joan Wheeler at [joan@baraboopubliclibrary.org](mailto:joan@baraboopubliclibrary.org) or 356-6166.



**Sauk County Master Gardener Volunteer Doreen Hamburg coordinates the Baraboo Seed Library at the Baraboo Public Library.**

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
1	2 Tween Scene (4th & 5th Graders) 4pm Twilight Tales 6:30pm Word Games for Adults 6:30pm	3 Booker's Buddies 10am Rhyme Time 11am TEEN TUESDAY-Cardboard vs. Bubblewrap 4pm Memoir Workshop 6:30pm	4 Babygarten 9:30am Puppy Club 11am Building Blocks (LEGO bricks & Minecraft) 1:30pm	5 Homeschooling Program for Families 9:30am CrafterNoon 3:45pm Music with Friends—Prairie Spies 7pm	6 Free Playgroup 9am Wii Bowling for Adults 12pm	7 <i>Ho-Chunk Dance Exhibition at House of Wellness - A Roundhouse Event</i> 1pm	
8	9 Teen Book Club for Homeschoolers 1:30pm Tween Scene (4th & 5th Graders) 4pm Twilight Tales 6:30pm Fireside Story Time for Adults 6:30pm	10 Booker's Buddies 10am Rhyme Time 11am TEEN TUESDAY-Video Game Day 4pm Lit Wits 6:30pm	11 <b>Babygarten at Oak Park Place</b> 9:30am Puppy Club 11am Building Blocks (LEGO bricks & Minecraft) 1:30pm	12 CrafterNoon 3:45pm <i>The Round House</i> discussion at UW-Baraboo/Sauk County 5:30 pm Young Scholars Showcase 6:30pm	13 Free Playgroup 9am Wii Bowling for Adults 12pm	14 Native American Culture Day 10am	
15	16 Tween Scene (4th & 5th Graders) 4pm Twilight Tales 6:30pm	17 <b>Booker's Buddies at Oak Park Place</b> 10am Rhyme Time 11am TEEN TUESDAY - Teen Advisory Board (TAB) 4pm Tuesdays with Murder 6:30pm	18 Babygarten 9:30am Puppy Club 11am Building Blocks (LEGO bricks & Minecraft) 1:30pm	19 CrafterNoon 3:45pm Square Foot Gardening 6:30pm	20 Free Playgroup 9am Wii Bowling for Adults 12pm	21 <b>Poo@Ochsner Zoo</b> 10am	
22	23 Tween Scene (4th & 5th Graders) 4pm Twilight Tales 6:30pm	24 Booker's Buddies 10am Rhyme Time 11am TEEN TUESDAY - Napoleon Dynamite with Audience Participation 4pm Book Art 6:30pm	25 Babygarten 9:30am Puppy Club 11am Building Blocks (LEGO bricks & Minecraft) 1:30pm Read to Desmond 6pm	26 CrafterNoon at St. Clare Meadows 4pm Shadow the READ Cat 6pm Poetry Recitation 6:30pm	27 Free Playgroup 9am Wii Bowling for Adults 12pm	28 <b>Skype presentation of reading by <i>The Round House</i> author Louise Erdrich. View at UW-Baraboo/Sauk County 6-7:30pm</b>	
29	30	 <b>BARABOO</b> PUBLIC LIBRARY		<h1>April 2018 Programs</h1>			