

Friends Program

The Monroe Public Library Friends group meets regularly and supports the Library by providing funds for Library enhancements and volunteering for Library events, including book sales. Membership forms are available at the Circulation Desk. To become a Friend complete a form and return it to the Circulation Desk or a Monroe Public Library staff member.

Green County Literacy Program

Interested adults may contact the Library at 328-7020 or 328-7010 for information.

Meeting Rooms

Two Library meeting rooms are available to non-profit groups. To reserve a room or to inquire about meeting room policy call the Library at 328-7010 or 328-7012.

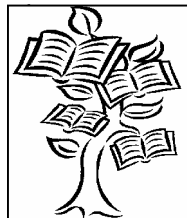
ABOUT THE MONROE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Monroe has had a free public library since the early 1880's. In 1904 the Arabut Ludlow family gave \$12,500 to build a new library at 1505 9th Street. The Arabut Ludlow Memorial Library served the community for over 90 years, but in that time its 5,300 square feet became overcrowded.

In September 1993, Lee and June Geiger purchased the old Monroe Clinic and graciously donated it to the School District of Monroe for a new public library. Thanks to a community fundraising effort of \$330,000 and the passage of a 1.65 million dollar referendum, the new 20,000 square foot Monroe Public Library opened its doors on April 8, 1996.

A donor tree (given by Dr. Harold Scudamore's family) at the entrance to the Library recognizes those donors who have contributed \$1,000 or more to the Library.

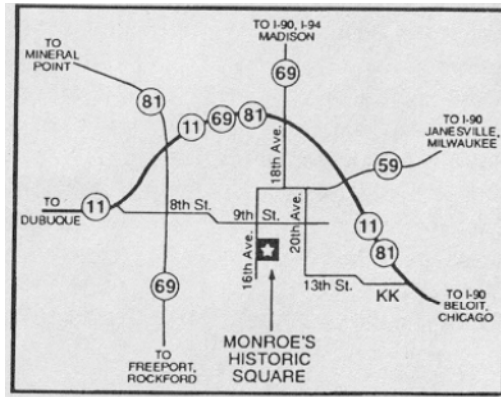
The Monroe Public Library is a member of the South Central Library System which is made up of libraries from Green, Dane, Columbia, Sauk, Adams, Portage and Wood counties. It has the distinction of being the only public library in the state of Wisconsin with a public school system serving as its municipality.



Library Donation Opportunities

Monroe Public Library welcomes donations, including memorials and honorary or bequeathed monetary gifts that will enhance library operations and services. Donated books and other items are also welcome. Donated books and other items may be used in the Library's collection or in book sales. A copy of the Library's Gift Policy may be obtained at the Circulation Desk. For further information contact Barbara Brewer, Library Director at 328-7551 or 328-7010.

The Library is on Monroe's historic square at the corner of 10th Street and 16th Avenue.



The Monroe Public Library Board of Trustees

meets on the first Thursday of every month at 7:00 p.m. at the Library

See the Monroe Public Library's website at www.monroepubliclibrary.org

Also see the website for the South Central Library System at www.scls.lib.wi.us



925 16th Avenue
Monroe, WI 53566

Circulation Desk
(608) 328-7010

Toll Free
(800) 445-1661

Fax
(608) 329-4657

Storyline
(608) 328-7024

COLLECTION

Library collections for adults and children include books, magazines, newspapers, videos, DVDs, art prints, audio-books, CDs and reference materials. We also have a large print adult book collection.

LOAN SCHEDULE

- Books (regular print, large print and audio-books)- **Four (4) weeks**
- New books (regular print) - **Two (2) Weeks**
- Magazines, Story kits, Music CDs and Vertical File Information (clippings, brochures, maps, etc.) - **Two (2) weeks**
- Artwork - **Four (4) Weeks**
- DVDs and VHS Tapes - **Seven (7) Days**

RENEWALS

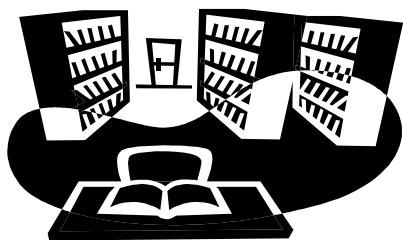
Materials may be renewed up to two (2) times in person, online, or over the telephone unless someone else is waiting for the item.

FINES AND FEES

Overdue materials (other than VHS Tapes and DVDs)..... .20 cents/day (Excluding Sundays and Holidays)
Overdue videos and DVDs.....\$1.00/day
Lost Library Card.....\$1.00
Out of State Card.....\$50.00
Black and White Copies..... .15 cents/page
Color Copies..... .30 cents/page
Fax (received)..... .15 cents/page
Fax (sent).....\$1.00/page
Monroe Public Library does not offer international Fax service)

HOURS

Monday—Thursday:9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.
Friday.....9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.
Saturday.....9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.



LIBRARY SERVICES

LinkCat Automated System

The Monroe Public Library is part of a shared automated system with 52 other libraries in the South Central Library System (SCLS). The on-line catalog includes access to all 52 collections. Holds on items may be placed in the Library, at home or elsewhere. Holds may be picked up at any of the libraries on LinkCat displayed as pickup locations. Reference/Information staff members are available to assist you in using LinkCat during regular Library hours.

Interlibrary Loan Service

Interlibrary loan service is available to patrons requesting items not available through the LinkCat system. Forms for requesting interlibrary loans are available at the Reference/Information desk or may be made by calling 328-7010 or 328-7012.

Public Access Computers and Internet Connections

The Library offers wireless internet for personal laptops. The Library also offers public internet access through 9 computer stations, 6 on the 1st floor and 3 in the 2nd floor Children's area. Patrons may use Library Online from the Library's webpage to reserve a computer. A "Quick Check" station is available for 15 minute sessions. Laptops or an Apple Macbook can be checked out for use in the library.

Color or black and white printers can be accessed from the public internet stations. Four stations are equipped with a full spectrum of Office software including word processing, desk top publishing and spreadsheet applications. All other computers have basic word processing software.

Homebound Assistance

Homebound patrons are encouraged to call the Monroe Public Library and ask to speak to a librarian for assistance, 328-7010.

Talking Books

Qualified people may receive a free cassette machine and books through the Wisconsin Blind and Physically Handicapped program. Ask for forms at the Information Desk.

Programs for Children and Families with Young Children

- Picture Book Stories for children ages three to six are held at 10 a.m. each Thursday morning year around.
- Toddler Time, "A learning to listen" story program, for children 18 months to 3 years is held at 10 a.m. on the 1st through 4th Mondays of each month.
- Watch for Family Evenings at the Library and "Puppets and Popcorn", a family story time. These programs are held at 7 p.m. the 1st Tuesday of the month.
- The Monroe Public Library participates in the state-wide Summer Reading Program. More information on this and other programs is available in the Children's Library Room on the second floor.

Adult Book Group

The book discussion group meets every third Tuesday of the month at 7:00 p.m. in the Library. Approximately 20 copies of the selected book are available at the Circulation Desk one month prior to the month the book will be discussed. All adults are invited to participate, no registration is necessary.

Movies at the Library

The Library offers documentary and recreational films at various times during the year. Watch for announcements through the local media and postings in the Library or around the community. MPAA ratings are included in the announcements.

Special Programs for Adults, Teens or Families with Young Children

Throughout the year the Library offers a variety of programs. For information on upcoming programs check the Library's quarterly newsletter, *The Monroe Public Library News*, available in the Library and selected locations out in the community. Also, watch for announcements about upcoming special programs through the local media and postings in the Library or around the community.

