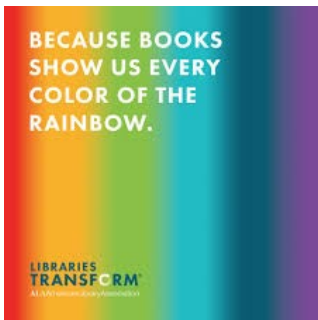


NEBRASKA TAXPAYERS FOR FREEDOM ISSUE PAPER: CITY TAX DOLLARS PAYING FOR PERVERT LIBRARY MATERIALS.

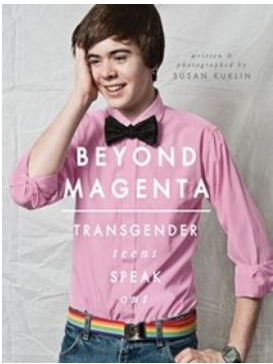
BACKGROUND. The American Library Association (ALA) celebrates LGBTQ+ Pride Month every year in June. The purpose is to recognize the impact that perverted individuals have on local and national history. Since 2015, this library association has named June as Rainbow Book Month, a nationwide celebration of authors who reflect the lives and experiences of the pervert community. This month, declares the ALA, is an opportunity for book lovers to read the best in pervert literature. The ALA Office of Diversity and Rainbow Round Table coordinate Rainbow Book Month. The ALA encourages local libraries to publicize Rainbow Book Month and accompanying library celebrations. This organization has developed free public templates ready for local libraries to adapt and submit to local media outlets for publicity. The ALA supports pervert literature by handing out awards in several literature categories, including Children and Young Adults, also bibliographies including the Rainbow Book List and Over the Rainbow Book List. These awards and lists serve the ALA as innovative tools for building quality pervert literature collections. Power Point slides provide affirming practices and advocacy skills to create a supportive queer culture. Slides include articles, statistics, studies, and resources.

OMAHA PUBLIC LIBRARY. Our Omaha Public Library (OPL) closely follows the lead of the ALA in June. On its Twitter page, you can help celebrate Pride Month and check out recent books that feature teens from across the gender and sexual orientation spectrum. Kids can read [Paul Takes the Form of a Mortal Girl](#). They can read [If I Can Give You That](#), by Michael Bulla, about a 17-yr. old trans boy who lets his guard down while finding community, discovering his sexuality, falling in love, and navigating difficult family situations. Kids can read [The Sky Blues](#), about an openly gay boy under the radar in Michigan. He decides to make a prom proposal to another boy but falls victim to a homophobic hacker. Also at the OPL, kids can read [The Beginner's Guide to Being a Trans Ally](#), instructing kids how to gain advice, suggestions, and resources from those seeking to gain a better understanding of gender identity and becoming a better ally of the trans community. Instructions on how to bring a Drag Queen Story Hour to your local library. Also, how to celebrate Pride Month with a collection of books and graphic novels for middle school readers. To successfully complete the Omaha Public Library 2023 reading challenge, a student must read LGBTQ+ books. Celebrate Pride Month by exploring stories with characters across the spectrum that readers do not often see in books and media. These books will take you beyond the L and the G in LGBTQ+! If you wish to comment, you can contact the OPL at <https://omahalibrary.org/comments-suggestions>.



OMAHA LIBRARY MATERIALS MANAGEMENT. This operation has responsibility for lending library materials to customers. It lends items in a variety of formats to the public. In addition to checking library materials in and out, it sends out notices to tell customers that library materials are overdue or informs them that items they have requested are ready to borrow at the locations of their choice. Total cost to taxpayers in FY 2023-2024 is \$3,032,578.

OPL BOARD OF TRUSTEES. A 9-member board of trustees governs the OPL. The Mayor appoints these individuals, confirmed by the City Council for 3-yr. terms. Meetings held on the third Wednesday of each month at 5 PM at different library locations unless otherwise noted. Mike Kennedy, a Millard School Board member and Republican, serves on this board. You can contact him at Mike.kennedy@omahalibrary.org. Keegan Korf, another board member, spoke in favor of sex education standards at the April, 2021 state board of education meeting and wrote an I Love Public Schools article. Republican Cameron Gales also sits on this board. You can email him at Cameron.gales@omahalibrary.org. If you wish to speak on an action item on the board agenda, you can speak for 5 min. or less. after identifying yourself by name and address for the public record. If more than one person wishes to address the board on a consent agenda item or resolution, the proponents invited to speak first, followed by the opponents. The proponents have a brief period for rebuttal of new information presented during the opponent presentation. Trustees may ask questions at the conclusion of public commentary, prior to voting. The President, or presiding officer, may use reasonable discretion to limit or extend a speaker's time to avoid redundancy, to assure a thorough public discussion on matters before the board, and to end discussion. During regular public comment time, the public may address the board on a topic of relevance to the Omaha Public Library, after identifying themselves by name and address for the public record. Individuals can speak for 5 min. or less. The President, or presiding officer, may use reasonable discretion to limit or extend a speaker's time to avoid redundancy, to assure a thorough public discussion on matters before the board, and to end discussion. Trustees may engage in questions and discussion of any topic presented, but a desired new action placed on a future agenda.



LIBRARY BUDGET. The library budget includes taxpayer funds from the city plus funding from the Omaha Library Foundation and Friends of the Library. The Omaha City Council in Sept. 2022 granted a total budget of \$20,234,358 to the library system. See 2023 OPL budget on next page.

OPL FOUNDATION. The Omaha Public Library Foundation, which raises money for the OPL, also has a board of directors, including one from the leftist Women's Fund of Omaha. Its advisory council includes several leftwingers. In 2021, the leftist Sherwood Foundation gave the OPL Foundation \$100,000, \$50,000 in 2022. A \$2,000 contribution came from Omaha Steaks, which signed a letter opposing **LB 574**, which prohibited use of taxpayer dollars to fund gender transition and genital mutilation. The Foundation contact email is foundation@omahalibrary.org.

LIBRARY FRIENDS. The Friends of the Omaha Public Library has a board of directors. This organization promotes the library system and raises funds for it. You can complain to this board at OmahaLibraryFriends@gmail.com.

TAKE ACTION NOW. This travesty is only one more example of how seditious leftwing subversives infiltrate our institutions to destroy our nation from within, using our tax \$\$ to eradicate our traditional values and substitute amorality. The Omaha Public Library should not spend our taxpayer dollars to fund the Sodom & Gomorrah lifestyle, especially funneling it to impressionable children and teens. To rectify this situation, take the following actions: 1) lobby Mayor Stothert to appoint conservative taxpayers to the library board; 2) lobby current library board members to cut funding for pervert library materials and stop following the Pride Month advisories from the ALA; 3) lobby your city council member to cut library funding, if the library board refuses to take action; 4) lobby the Friends of the Library to exert pressure on the library board to desist funding perversion; and 5) encourage everyone you know to NOT contribute to the Omaha Public Library Foundation. Only by lobbying hard and diligently concentrating on this issue can taxpayers remove this insidious pervert infection from our local library system. Email netaxpayers@gmail.com for a list of city council members and join our NTF *City Watch Project*.

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