



## 2022 Library Visit Interview Form

**Library Name:** LaValle

**Certification Grade:** 3

**Date of visit:** 10/27/2022

**Library staff present at the visit:** Natalie Jones (via Bluejeans)

**SCLS staff present:** Heidi Moe

**Amount of time spent at visit:** 30 minutes

**[Please limit this section to the answers to the specific questions, and include as much detail as possible. Report other information or observations in the “other information” section below.]**

1. How are you and your staff doing?

LaValle has a very small staff – two women work one or two Saturdays a month. She recently hired a pastor who was looking for a part time job. Natalie is experience some stress with the village and has been in contact with Tracie Miller for assistance. Communication between the village and the library has been an issue. A meeting will be held between the library board and the village board to try to work things out.

2. What are the next projects (big or small) on your library’s to-do list?

Working on RFID tagging. Got a lot done and are now working on the DVD’s. Natalie is weeding, which hasn’t been done in 4-5 years, so RFID tagging is a slower process. Need to start thinking about more programming. She found a library patron who did the Olympic program this year for young children that included sidewalk chalk art and the volunteer is doing a story hour every other week.

3. Are there service changes or new services from the last two years that you plan on continuing?

Because of COVID, the hours the library was open had changed. A year ago the library started opening on Wednesday morning instead of the afternoon, which worked well for the aging community.

All the children in LaValle are bused to school in Reedsburg, so it’s rare that the children come to the library after school.

LaValle is hosting a trick or treat on Sunday night and will be offering donated books to the kids.

4. How can SCLS help?

The library has funds that it needs to spend and she was contacted by Nick Oldenburg and Craig Ellefson about a wireless printer. She doesn’t feel LaValle would benefit from it since there is not enough traffic in the library.

Natalie noted as a new director that there is much to learn and she has received help from the

member directors in her county.

5. Is there anything else you'd like to share or discuss?

**Other information gathered at the visit (interesting tidbits, general impressions of the library, or alternative topics):**