

At the library

Got a story to tell about your life here in Chetek? The Chetek Public Art League wants to know it. The league has an ongoing community project, "Chetek: The Rest of the Story" and are seeking people's personal stories and accompanying illustration.

As part of the project, the Calhoun Memorial Library will host a community paint event this Saturday from 9-11:30 a.m. No artistic experience is required and materials – acrylic paints, brushes, markers and the like – will be provided. Participants will be given a 6 inch by 6-inch canvas to work with, and the accompanying story must be 12 words or less.

All ages are welcome, although anyone under age 16 must come with a parent.

The goal is to collect stories and scenes – past and present -- of life in Chetek, from year-round residents and tourists and anyone else who has wandered through the town. So, please don't let a lack of artistic talent hinder your taking part in the project, the Chetek Public Art League wants your story!

For those who cannot make the Saturday event, but still want to participate you may stop in at the Calhoun Memorial Library to collect your canvas. Artwork may be drawn using the medium, such as paint, ink, fiber art or photography, of your choice. Either return your finished artwork to the library or mail to Chetek Public Arts League, Inc. P.O. Box 433 Chetek, WI 54728 by Feb. 28. Story forms must be securely attached to the back of your canvas. For more information visit chetekarts.org.

February is the month when thoughts turn to showing our loved ones some love, but what about showing some love to our furry friends? This month the Calhoun Memorial Library is accepting donations for the Humane Society of Barron County. According to Humane Society of Barron County's website, the most wanted items are wet cat food pate, canned wet dog food, high efficiency (HE) laundry detergent, bleach, toys, grooming brushes, treats and Rescue brand cleaner. However, all donations are appreciated.

A box has been conveniently placed in the library's lobby for donations. Let's spread the love to all our four-legged friends, especially those not lucky enough to have a forever home.

For more information about the library or its programs, visit calhounmemoriallibrary.org or check out our Facebook page.