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CENTENNIAL COMMUNITY DESK

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About the Project

Hardwood lumber in a wide variety of species, ranging from a foot long on up to a full board or two, and in thicknesses up to 2 1/2" was donated and recycled into the beautiful new desk by Paul Morrison, owner of The Wood Cycle of Wisconsin Inc.

Each piece of wood lumber has been identified as to its species, the story behind it and the person or family who donated it to the project.

The wonderful tile inserts were designed by ceramic artist Cheryl Adams, owner of Studio Adams.



From left: Paul Morrison, Jonathan Uecker, Cheryl Adams, Joshua Wiedenbeck

Monetary donations were also greatly appreciated.

All of these generous gifts are recorded in this memorial booklet to honor the Centennial achievement and the community who built it.

FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTORS

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*“LIBRARIES ARE NOT
MADE; THEY GROW.”*

-AUGUSTINE BIRRELL

A sincere **THANK YOU** to the Oregon area community for your continued generous support and for joining in the celebration of 100 years of service!

BLACK WALNUT

- JEFF BERGEY, N. Main, Village of Oregon. From the current Walgreen's site
- FRANK AND MARGARET DUKERSCHEIN, N. Main Street, Village of Oregon. From former Harold Thompson farm (Netherwood and N. Main Street)
- Tipperary Road, Town of Oregon. Selling this walnut (and others) helped pay for the farmer's daughter's wedding
- County MM, Brooklyn. Tree in yard—too dirty and too many nuts to clean up
- Oak Street, Village of Oregon. Tree in yard—too close to house
- Burr Oak Street, Village of Oregon. Removed for utility work



Black walnuts

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APPLE

🌳 CARANDALE FARMS, Lincoln Road, Town of Oregon. We've all eaten there—some trees were ready to retire.

🌳 MARY DAVIDSON, Village of Oregon. Tree in yard

ASH

🌳 JEFF BERGEY, Village of Oregon. Tree in yard

BIRCH

🌳 Sugar Hill Road, Town of Oregon. Tree in yard, removed before it collapsed

CHERRY

🌳 ARLAN KAY, Lincoln Road, Town of Oregon. Tree in woodlot, damaged by storm

🌳 LEE CHRISTENSEN, Rome Corners Road, Town of Oregon. Tree on fence line

🌳 MIKE AND LAURA GROENIER, Columbia County. Tree from woodlot, harvested to thin area for horse pasture

🌳 FRANK AND MARGARET DUKERSCHEIN, Town of Oregon. Tree from Maurice O'Brien farm

ELM

🌳 Fish Hatchery Road, Town of Oregon. Tree from Carl Larsen farm—a Dutch Elm victim, cut down by a Dutch woodworker

RED OAK

🌳 ARLAN KAY, Lincoln Road, Town of Oregon. Tree from yard died

🌳 RICH AND PAT KELLER, King Road, Brooklyn. Tree removed from home site

WHITE OAK

🌳 KERMIT TRASKA, Fitchburg. Oak from barn timber from Joe and Mary Kivlin farm

🌳 Marie Road, Town of Oregon. We found one log of Birdseye Oak when a home site was cleared for construction—a characteristic so uncommon in oak that it is not normally marketed.

🌳 White Oak Trail, Town of Dunn. With all the tree-named streets in the Oregon area, this is the only wood that came from the street for which it was named. Unfortunately, we were unable to find any ash from Ash Street, or cherry from Cherry Wood Drive, but we do have some walnut from about a block away from Walnut Street and we have both walnut and bur oak from Oak Street. The bur oaks on Burr Oak Street are still too healthy—and we're all glad they are.



Oak leaf

action had expanded to include 4,780 adult books and 3,530 children's print, 8,479 electronic books and 4,407 audiovisual materials. Total circulation was 323,320, and attendance at library programs was 9,221!

2009 Wisconsin Public Library Service Data, Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction.

MAHOGANY

🌳 Jefferson Street, Village of Oregon. Mahogany is not a Wisconsin native, or even a native of the US, but neither are all of us here in Oregon. This wood was from a home on Jefferson Street, built by the current owner's grandfather and removed during recent remodeling.

MULBERRY

🌳 EARL AND PEG THOMAS, Tipperary Road, Town of Oregon. Tree from yard collapsed.



Bur Oak leaf

BUR OAK

🌳 PHIL PETERSON, County CC, Town of Oregon. Tree from yard. In its younger days, this tree would have likely witnessed travelers from the lead mines of southwest Wisconsin journeying to the approximate location of the farm before turning north around present-day Oregon.

🌳 Fish Hatchery Road, Town of Oregon. Tree from Carl Larsen farm, removed for traffic safety along South Fish Hatchery.

🌳 Oak Street, Village of Oregon. Tree from yard died

Fun Facts: In 1912, the library had 1,462 books. In 1972, the children's books. Today, the library has a collection of 61,255 items in In 2009, Internet stations were used 68,423 times, total circulation

Sources: *A Walk Back in History: Did You Know? The history of Oregon* by Florice Paulson and .

HACKBERRY

🌳 N. Main Street, Village of Oregon. Tree at corner of Lincoln and Main, resulted in the Village debate on who was responsible for maintenance and removal from the street terrace area

HICKORY

🌳 PHIL AND JUDY COX, Raven Oaks, Town of Oregon. Tree collapsed in yard

BLACK LOCUST

🌳 OREGON CORRECTIONAL, County MM. This tree was serving time until a neighboring tree collapsed and liberated them both

HARD MAPLE (Curly Maple, Birdseye Maple)

🌳 KERMIT TRASKA, Village of Oregon. Tree from yard

🌳 JIM AND DARLENE GROENIER, Radisson, WI. Curly Birdseye is probably the highest value wood of Wisconsin because it is so uncommon. Jim brought it here to make bird calls, but repurposed it for the library.

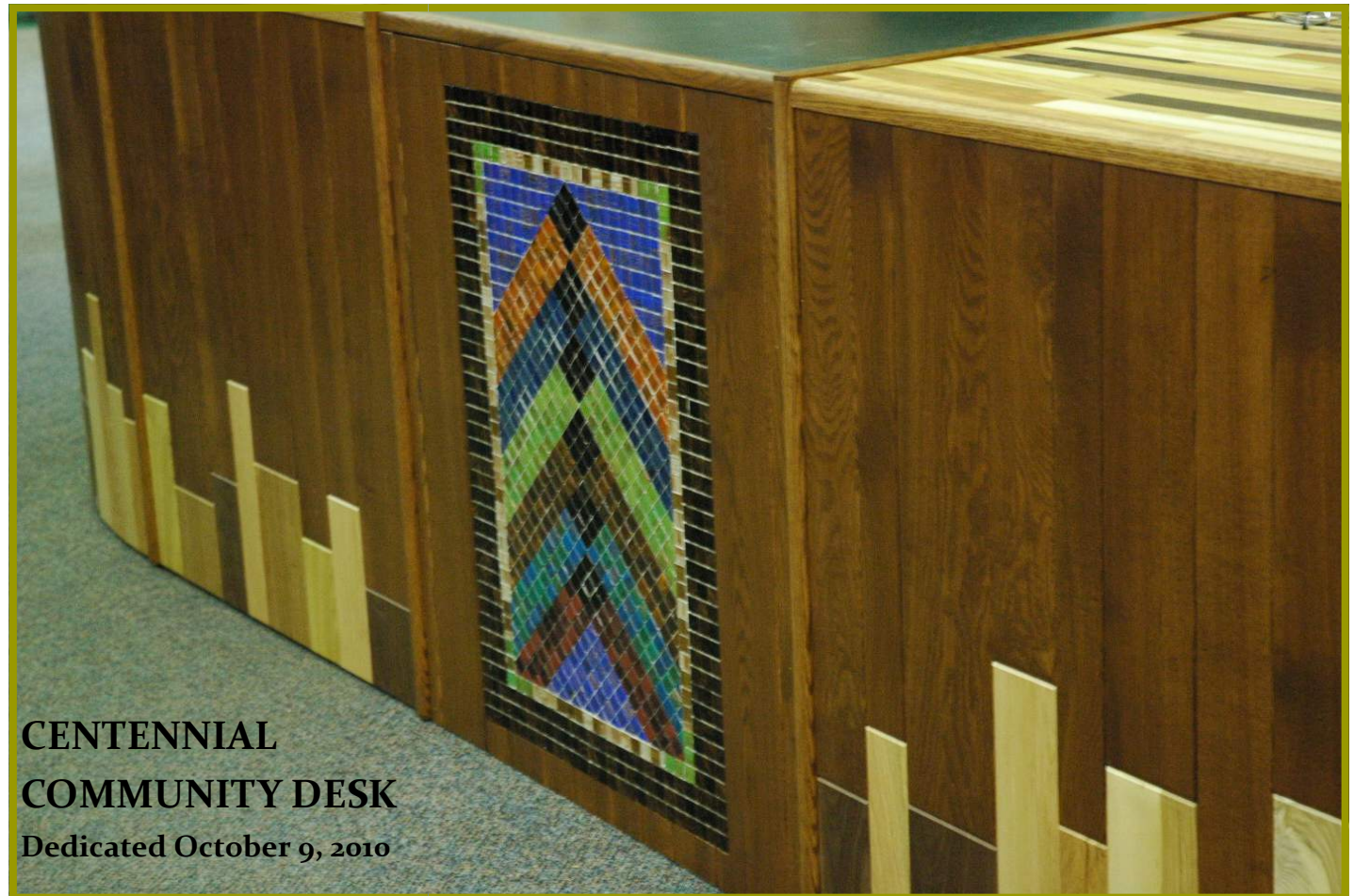
🌳 JIM AND DARLENE GROENIER, Banjos by Richelieu, Oregon. Birdseye Maple that was brought to Oregon intended for use in banjos, but became damaged in storage.





The Village of Oregon's second public library, 1914-1916.

Source: Oregon Area Historical Society



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