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PHOTO: Back row left to right: Hilari Sabo, VBDL Cataloguer; Jessica Barnes and Farah Abdul-Haqq, Covert; Molly Wunderlich, Assistant Director. Front row left to right: Anne Cox, Lawrence Branch Librarian; Yvette Salomon, Bangor; Dan Hutchins, Library Director; Michelina Dominguez, Covert; Bobbi Martindale, Bangor Branch Librarian

#### VBDL ANNOUNCES FIRST ANNUAL VEEBEE AWARDS

DECATUR, MICHIGAN - - -Van Buren District Library revealed the winners of the patron-selected Best Books of 2017 during an Oscar-worthy awards ceremony in Covert.

Over a two-month period, VBDL patrons nominated and then voted for titles in 11 categories in the library's first annual VeeBee Awards.

Library Director Dan Hutchins is pleased to announce the winners:

**Junior Graphic Novel:** “Dog Man: A Tale of Two Kitties” by Dav Pilkey

**Junior Nonfiction:** “She Persisted” by Chelsea Clinton and Alexandra Boiger

**Junior Fiction:** “The Stars Beneath Our Feet” by David Barclay Moore

**Young Adult Graphic Novel:** “Lumberjanes, Vol. 6: Sink or Swim” by Shannon Watters and Kat Leyh

**Young Adult Nonfiction:** “#NotYourPrincess: Voices of Native American Women” by Lisa Charleyboy and Mary Beth Leatherdale

**Young Adult Fiction (Tie):** “The Hate U Give” by Angie Thomas and “Turtles All the Way Down” by John Green

**Adult Graphic Novel:** “The Best We Could Do: An Illustrated Memoir” by Thi Bui

**Adult Nonfiction:** “Killers of the Flower Moon: The Osage Murders and the Rise of the FBI” by David Grann

**Adult Fiction:** “Into the Water” by Paula Hawkins

**Children's:** “Legend of Rock Paper Scissors” by Drew Daywalt and Adam Rex

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**Lifetime Achievement:** “Pride and Prejudice” by Jane Austen

Copies of each VeeBee winner are available at all VBDL locations. A video of the award ceremony can be viewed on Facebook. For more information, visit nearest VBDL branch or phone 269.423.4771.

Van Buren District Library is headquartered in Decatur with branches in Bangor, Bloomingdale, Covert, Gobles, Lawrence and Mattawan.

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