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registration in advance. Sign up at the library or online to save your spot at fun programs!

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NOTES FROM THE DIRECTOR



It seems as though spring has been a long time coming this year so I hope that by the time you are reading this we will finally be experiencing some warmer weather. We had a very cold March and April and I know that I am looking forward to spring and summer and all that comes with the nice weather. One sure sign of spring is baby chicks and we are hatching chicks again this year at the library so stop in the children's area to peek at the eggs in the incubator. Chick Central will open again on May 1 and is sponsored by the Elkhorn Area School District Parent Connections and Matheson Memorial Library.

National Library Week was a big success with two wonderful events. Our Friends group sponsored author Michael Perry on April 17, which drew our biggest crowd ever. Then, on April 19, we had a great Earth Day concert with Tim Southwick Johnson performing a musical adaptation of Aldo Leopold's Sand County Almanac.

I want to take this opportunity to answer some of our most frequently asked questions (FAQ) at the library. One we get asked every day is, "Where do I return my material?" We have three book drops for your convenience. One is a drive up book return in the parking lot. Another is on the



Nolan Meyers checks out the newest library patrons during last year's Spring Chick Hatch.



Author Michael Perry reads an excerpt from his New York Times bestseller, *Visiting Tom*, to a full capacity crowd on April 17 as part of National Library Week.

east side of the building along Washington Street by the staff entrance. The third, and only interior return, is in the wall to the right of the circulation desk before the stairs. This is our main book drop but is easily missed by patrons as it is not obviously visible from the entrance.

Our next most common question is, "Can I use my Elkhorn card at another library or another library card at Matheson?" Yes to both! There are 42 libraries in our consortium and you can use your library card at any of these libraries. You can go to any of these libraries and check out their materials and you can place a hold on items in the catalog and have them delivered to Elkhorn. We get delivery every day, Monday through Friday. You can also return an item you checked out in Elkhorn to any library in Wisconsin and it will get back to us.

All ages are invited to participate in our summer reading program that kicks off on Saturday, June 8. Keep reading this newsletter to learn more about this and other great events at the library, like the Scholastic Book Fair in May.

-Lisa Selje
Library Director

SPECIAL SERVICES

Computers for public use. There are 15 computers available for general use at the library. All of the computers have high-speed internet access as well as Microsoft Office 2010 Suite. We also have 5 computers that can be used to browse for materials housed within our library or throughout our 42 library system. With your card, you have access to more than 2.8 million items!

Wi-fi. With your laptop or other internet-ready device, you can have free access to the built-in wi-fi at the library. Simply connect to the lower level or upper level access points.

eLibrary programs. Online access to free computer applications, such as the **Auto Repair Reference Center**, **Power Speak** language learning software, **Reference USA**, **History Quest** genealogy research **Zinio** magazine database, **Freegal** music download service, and more! Visit the library website for more details and access.



Audio/visual services. Includes the circulation of books on CD, Playaway and MP3, music CDs, DVDs and Blu-Rays of both feature films and how-to's.

Adult Book Clubs. Page Turners Book Club meets the 1st Wednesday of the month at 6:30 p.m. The Afternoon Book Club meets the 3rd Wednesday of the month at 2:00 p.m.

Study rooms. There are three study rooms available on a first-come, first-serve basis to study, hold meetings, etc.

Interlibrary loan. We can obtain materials from around the state and across the country that are unavailable through our library consortium.

BookMyne. The app that makes it quick and easy to access the library on the go! Search the library's catalog, download items, manage your account, and find suggested reading instantly. Download app with your Android or iOS mobile device.



AUTHOR SPOTLIGHT: Kristin Hannah



Hannah was born in 1960 in California.

Growing up she spent most of her time at the beach. When she was eight her family moved to Washington, where she lives

today with her husband and son. It was while Hannah was attending law school that her mother brought up the idea of her becoming a writer.

During her mother's battle with cancer they teamed up to write a rough draft to a romance novel. After her mother lost her fight with cancer, Hannah continued practicing law and didn't pursue writing. It was while she was on bed rest during her pregnancy that she started to write again. In 1991, her first novel *Handful of Heaven* was published. Her first novels are considered to be in the romance genre, but now her work is considered contemporary fiction. Her latest novel *Fly Away* was released April 2013.

Did you know...

*She has won many awards, including the Golden Heart and 1996 National Reader's Choice Award.

*She considers the character Anya Whitson from *Winter Garden* one of her favorite characters.

Sources <http://kristinhannah.com> and <http://wikipedia.org>

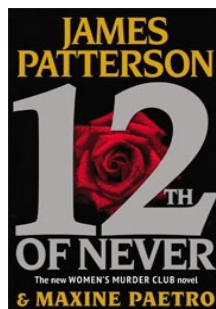
NOVELS

A Handful of Heaven
The Enchantment
Once in Every Life
If you Believe
When Lightning Strikes
Waiting for the Moon
Home Again
On Mystic Lake
Angel Falls
Summer Island
Distant Shores
Between Sisters
The Things We Do for Love
Comfort and Joy
Magic Hour
Firefly Lane
True Colors
Winter Garden
Night Road
Home Front
Fly Away

AUTHOR READ-A-LIKE: James Patterson

James Patterson has continued his famous Women's Murder Club series with the release of *12th of Never*. If you enjoy this author and series, try the recommended Read-A-Likes!

Read-A-Likes are books written in a similar style or theme. Do you have a favorite author you would like featured in the Read-A-Like article?



Email Sara: skrewal@elkhorn.lib.wi.us

READ-A-LIKES

Jeffrey Deaver
Jonathan Kellerman
James Sigel
John Sandford
Greg Iles

Title Read-A-Likes to *1st to Die* (First book in the series)

One for the Money - Janet Evanovich
The Burning Wire - Jeffrey Deaver
Blood Work - Michael Connelly
Sworn to Silence - Linda Castillo
Love you More - Lisa Gardner

Source: <http://web.ebscohost.com/novelist>

MEET OUR NEW ADULT SERVICES LIBRARIAN: Anna Merry

We welcome Anna Merry as our new Adult Services Librarian, who started in April but will begin full-time after Memorial Day. She will take over the Page Turner's Book Club and all adult programs, including the adult summer reading program.

Anna will graduate this May with a Masters of Library and Information Studies from the University of Wisconsin - Madison. Previously, she attended UW Eau Claire and majored in Spanish. She studied abroad in Costa Rica and Nicaragua. Anna grew up on a pick-your-own strawberry farm (Merry's Berries) in Antigo, Wisconsin and strawberries are her favorite fruit. Yum!

Anna enjoys ballroom dancing and playing the french horn and piano. For the past two years, she has been a Brownie Girl Scout troop leader too! She is currently reading The Brief Wondrous Life of Oscar Wao by Junot Díaz.

Anna is looking forward to getting to know Elkhorn and planning lots of fun and educational adult programming. Please stop in and help us welcome Anna to the library and the community!



Bienvvenida a Anna Merry, nuestra nueva bibliotecaria para servicios a los adultos, que comenzó en abril, pero comenzará a tiempo completo después del Memorial Day. Ella será la líder organizará los programas para adultos, incluyendo el programa de lectura de verano para adultos.

Anna se graduará en Mayo con una Maestría en Biblioteconomía y Estudios de la Información de la Universidad de Wisconsin - Madison. Antes, asistió UW Eau Claire y se especializó en español. Ella estudió en el extranjero en

Costa Rica y Nicaragua. Anna creció en una finca de fresas pick-your-own (Merry's Berries - Fresas de Merry) en Antigo, Wisconsin y las fresas son su fruta favorita.

Le gusta bailar y tocar el cuerno francés y piano. Ahora ella está leyendo La Maravillosa Vida Breve de Oscar Wao por Junot Díaz.

Anna quiere conocer a la comunidad de Elkhorn. Especialmente quiere mejorar los servicios de la biblioteca para la gente que habla español. Venga a la biblioteca para saludarla y traerle todas sus sugerencias.

WHAT ARE YOU READING?

Matheson Memorial Library now has a web page on Goodreads! Join us on the social networking site that allows users to search for and keep track of books, write reviews, and participate in discussions.

If you love books, consider joining Goodreads. If you're already a member, be sure to join our group page to get the latest on new book arrivals, book club selections, and upcoming library events. And don't forget to check out our bookshelves, discussion topics, and polls. We look forward to sharing books with you!

Find us here:

<http://www.goodreads.com/group/show/84506-matheson-memorial-library>



OTHER STAFF NOTES

Returning as our youth services aide for the summer is Katrina Weber. Katrina is currently a senior at EASD. Welcome back, Katrina!

Last, but not least, is our newest desk clerk, Nancy Beaster. Nancy started in April and will be learning how to work in every department so she can support staff vacations and absences. Nancy recently moved to Elkhorn and retired from teaching in the Burlington School District.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Matheson Memorial Library is looking for hardworking and enthusiastic volunteers to assist with numerous tasks around the library. Duties include: shelving materials, assisting with craft prep, carrying boxes to the basement, Adopt-A-Shelf and much more! Contact Gail at the library (262) 723-2678 for more information and to sign up!

YOUTH SERVICES

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

May 8: Middle School Madness

May 11: Muffins with Mom

May 13-June 7: No Youth Programs

May 20-25: Scholastic Book Fair

May 30: Music Concert with Jim Gill

June 8: Summer Reading Kick-off:
Welty Environmental Center - Wonderful Worms

June 11: Ella Bella Ballerina party 

June 18: Angry Birds party 

June 25: Storywagon

July 5: Stuffed Animal
Sleepover

July 9, 16, 23: Storywagon

July 30: Nature's Niche - Live Animals



MUFFINS WITH MOM



Let your kids show the special moms in their life how much they care this Mother's Day with an event at the library. Families are invited to drop in on Saturday, May 11 at 10:00 a.m. to eat a muffin with mom and make their own card for Mother's Day. The program will run while supplies last.

JENNIFER'S NOTES

We have only a few special programs lined up in May while we work on amazing summer programs. Be sure to visit our Summer Reading kickoff on June 8!

Special Summer Parties:

Dance into the library with **Ella Bella Ballerina!** Wear your ballet costume and join us for our fanciest summer party yet on June 11 at 1:30 p.m. Make your own tutu, create a fancy mask, and eat sweet treats!

Play around with **Angry Birds** on June 18 at 1:30 p.m. Decorate a pig, create your own Angry Birds, try out our own game and more!

The **Storywagon** returns on June 25 at 1:30 p.m. with Creepy Crawly Zoo. See and touch live insects and learn about the wonderful world of bugs.

Please be aware that, due to increased attendance, we will now be requiring registration for these programs. Simply sign up at the library or on the library website starting June 1.

Special thanks to all our donors who help us offer great children's programs and services. The VIP Aktion Club sponsored the purchase of bubble wands, which we will be using for sev-




Children from Lakeland Little Learners visit the library on April 10 to help celebrate Clifford the Big Red Dog's 50th Birthday.

eral fun programs this summer! Donations from United Way and Kohls Cares for Kids are making Rubber Ducky Readers possible, as well as the purchase of new dress-up clothes and educational toys for circulation.

Do you want to stay connected with all our great Children's programs? Need a reminder for the week's programs? Like us on Facebook! Find us at: facebook.com/ElkhornLibrary.

For more information, contact Youth Services Librarian Jennifer Wharton at (262) 723-2678 or jwharton@elkhorn.lib.wi.us.

WE EXPLORE: SUMMER!

Come explore this summer! We Explore is series of programs for families on Fridays at 10:00 a.m. Each week we offer a program to explore the world around us. All programs will include stories and activities for both children and parents to enjoy. Register starting June 1. 

May 3: Dog Safety with Dr. Kohler

May 10: Eric Carle

June 14: Boats

June 21: TBA

June 28: Birthdays with Pattie Woods



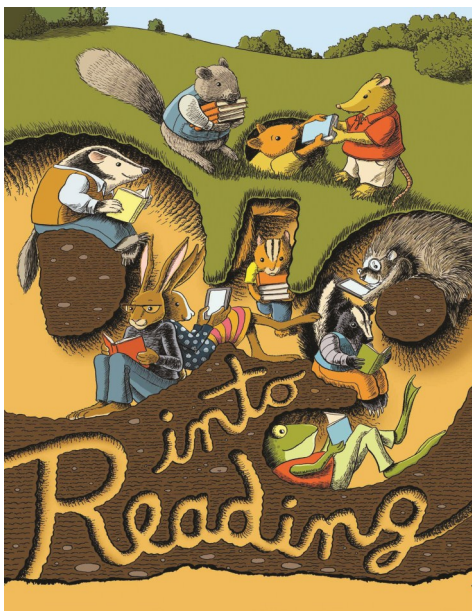
Tina Lendman from the Dance Factory leads a group of adorable dancers for We Explore: Angelina Ballerina on March 22.

YOUTH SERVICES

SUMMER READING

The summer reading program is going to be bigger and better than ever this year with new programs for kids of all ages! Participants will also receive a free pass to the Milwaukee Public Museum (while supplies last). Sign up begins June 8.

We will be kicking off this year's "Dig into Reading" theme with the Welty Environmental Center Wiggly Worms program. Join us June 8 at 10:30 a.m. for stories, fun activities, and hands-on learning.



0-3 Year Olds

Children are invited to join **Rubber Ducky Readers**. Parents will receive an activity sheet and have the opportunity to do a variety of activities with their child in June, then return the sheet and pick a cute bath squirt. Complete another sheet in July and return in August to get a board book.

3-12 Year Olds

Children are invited to join the traditional summer reading program by completing a bookmark with reading and library activities. Pick out a prize every week you turn in a bookmark!

6-12 Year Olds

Children are invited to show off their reading prowess as part of the **Super Readers' Club**. Complete additional reading hours (on top of regular summer reading) and in August pick out passes to Wisconsin attractions and other special prizes!

Teens

Teens can join our teen summer reading program; every week you turn in a book review sheet, you get to pick a free book or yummy treat! Turn in as many review sheets as you can for a chance at the grand prize in August!

CLUB UPDATES

Teens On Screen

Teens age 13 and up are welcome to join us for screenings of popular young adult books that have been translated into film. Snacks will be provided.

May 30: Beautiful Creatures
PG-13 6:00 p.m.

June 21: The Hobbit
PG-13 6:00 p.m.



This will be a **special after-hours** "Teens On Screen" from 6:00-9:00 p.m. We will be serving pizza! You must arrive before library closing at 6:00 p.m. to be included. Register TODAY!

Middle School Madness

Middle Schoolers are invited to the **final** MSM program of the school year on May 8 between 3:00-4:30 p.m.

Lego Club & Messy Art

Thursdays from 3:30-5:00 p.m. is fun time at the library! Families are invited to participate with Lego Club or Messy Art Club. Join us on June 20 – paint a pot, plant a seed!

YA Gaming

Calling Wii gamers! Drop by the Teen Room on June 12 from 1:00-5:00 p.m. Show your skills on the library's Wii. Bring your own games to share too! (no M-rated games please)

MISS PATTIE'S CORNER

Join us for a free concert with Jim Gill May 30 at 6:30 p.m. at **Elkhorn Area Middle School**. Bring a blanket and enjoy some music, milk and cookies!

The following programs are sponsored by the Matheson Memorial Library and Elkhorn Area School District Parent Connections. Please check the library calendar for specific dates and breaks in programming. **Note: There will be no Youth Programs May 13-June 7.**

Tiny Tots. 2nd & 4th Mondays 6:30 p.m. Stories, songs, and discoveries for kids ages five and under.

Toddlers 'n' Books. Tuesdays at 10:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Sessions are limited to 40 attendees. Stories, songs and discoveries followed by a craft for 18 to 36 months.

Books 'n' Babies. Thursdays at 10:00 a.m. Stories, songs and discoveries followed by an open playtime for 0 to 18 months.

Family Game Night. Families are invited to come and enjoy board games, Wii gaming, and more. May 2, 6:30 p.m. only. Family Game Night will resume in September.

Coffee, Kids, and Conversation. This program has ended for the school year. It will resume in September.

Meet Pattie Woods:

Pattie is the Elkhorn Area School District's Parent Connection's Parent Educator. She offers programs at the Matheson Memorial Library and throughout the Elkhorn community for children ages 0-5.



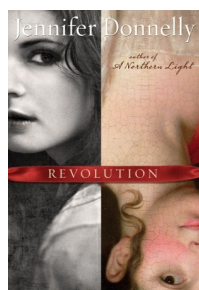
Contact Pattie Woods, Parent Connections & 4K:
Phone: (262) 723-3160 ext. 1416
Email: woodpa@elkhorn.lib.wi.us

ADULT SERVICES

AFTERNOON BOOK CLUB

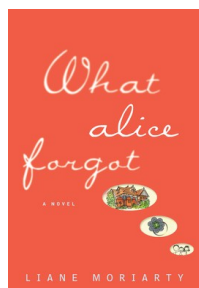
The Afternoon Book Club is a relaxed group of patrons who just enjoy sharing a great book!

Join us on May 15 at 2:00 p.m. to chat about *Revolution* by Jennifer Donnelly.



The novel follows the journey of an angry and grieving 17-year-old musician who travels to Paris for a school assignment to prevent her expulsion from her prestigious Brooklyn school. It is there she uncovers the diary of a young actress who journals of her attempts to help a tortured, imprisoned little boy during the French Revolution - Louis Charles, the lost king of France.

Join us on June 19 at 2:00 p.m. for *What Alice Forgot* by Liane Moriarty.



Suffering an accident that causes her to forget the last ten years of her life, Alice is astonished to discover that she is 39 years old, a mother of three children, and in the midst of an acrimonious divorce from a man she dearly loves. A moving story for anyone who has ever wondered... "How did I get here?"

Copies of book club selections can be picked up at the circulation desk 3 to 4 weeks prior to the book club meeting.

For more information, contact book club guide Lisa Selje by phone at (262) 723-2678 or email at lselje@elkhorn.lib.wi.us

GROUNDBREAKING READS

Enjoy some "Groundbreaking Reads" for this year's Adult Summer Reading Program at the library! The program, which targets readers 18 and over, will run for nine weeks from June 8 to August 10. Come to the kickoff party and sign up on June 8! Look for our special "groundbreaking" exhibits around the library throughout the summer, reading suggestions and prize case.

We will be returning to the traditional reading program this summer: Simply complete a form every time you read a book, tell us a little about it and be entered for a weekly drawing. The more you read, the greater your chances of winning! Prizes will be awarded weekly. Many thanks to all our sponsors for their donations and good luck to all our readers!

COME KNIT WITH US!

The Slipped Stitches knitting club will be participating in World Wide Knit in Public Day on Saturday, June 8 from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Everyone is invited to bring a lawn chair, sunscreen and their knitting, crocheting or any other fiber art and join us for a group knit at the front entrance of the library. Come rain or shine for a fun day with friends and fellow knitters.

The Slipped Stitches will also be "yarn bombing" the library, so people should look for all the fun knitted and crocheted things on display. You never know what you will find – a very hungry caterpillar, flowers in the trees or just a new cover for the book drop!

The Slipped Stitches group meets every Wednesday night at 6:00 p.m. in the Story Room. Bring your knitting or crochet project to get ideas, talk through tricky patterns and have fun!



Stitchers Kim Edwards and Laurie Kant-Hull visit with patrons and fellow knitters while participating in the 2012 Knit in Public Day.



ADULT SERVICES

MIDWESTERN GARDENING

Grow local! Learn how to create a beautiful and more eco-friendly garden this summer using plants native to Southern Wisconsin. Join fellow “green thumb” Charlotte Adelman for her informative gardening seminar titled “Midwestern Native Gardens: Native Alternatives to Nonnative Flowers and Plants” on June 13 at 7:00 p.m. in the Community Center.

Adelman will present local alternatives to European and Asian plants that are better suited for our climate and environment in the Midwest. Learn which European and Asian plants have now been classified as invasive pests to our area by the USDA! Also, take the

opportunity to compare plants that are similar in both color and size to your foreign favorites. Then take home some ideas for beautiful gardens that work with your landscape and as well as our local ecosystem.

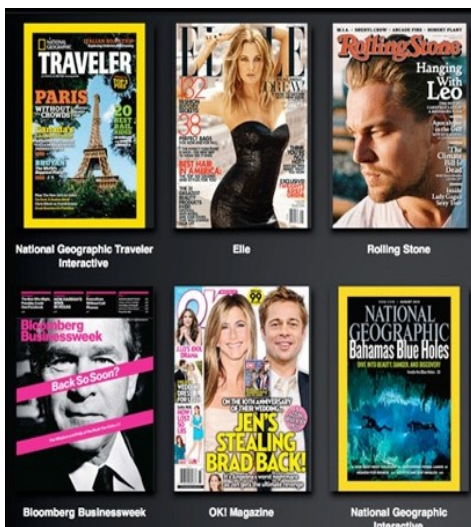


LEARN MS WORD BASICS®

Have you always wondered how to navigate your way through Microsoft Word but were too nervous to try? Looking to brush up on your skills? Well, it's time to learn the basics! Anna Merry will

host a Microsoft Word Basics program for beginners on Thursday, June 20 at 1:00 p.m. Basic keyboard and mouse skills required. Registration is required as well as a \$5 refundable deposit to reserve your space.

eLIBRARY SPOTLIGHT: Zinio



The Zinio database allows patrons to download popular magazines to their personal computer, tablet or smart phone. Take great magazines like *Car & Driver*, *US Weekly*, *Rolling Stone*, *Newsweek*, and *Cosmopolitan* with you on the go! No limit to checkouts.

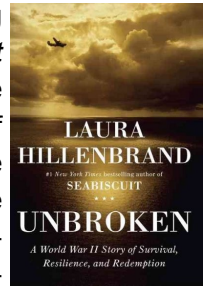
Simply create a Zinio Viewer account using your library card from the eLibrary link on the library website. See the user guide for questions and more information. Sign up today!

PAGE TURNERS BOOK CLUB

The Page Turners continue their discussion of books selected by decade. Take a trip with us this summer though the 1940s and 1950s!

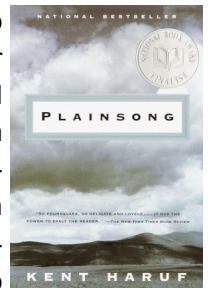
Join us on May 1 at 6:30 p.m. to chat about *Unbroken* by Laura Hillenbrand.

From the bestselling author of *Seabiscuit* comes *Unbroken*, the inspiring true story of Louie Zamperini. The book follows his life from juvenile delinquent to Olympic runner, then his harrowing experience as a bombardier during World War II. His story is a series of catastrophes almost too incredible to overcome and too inspiring to be missed.



Join us on June 5 at 6:30 p.m. to chat about *Plainsong* by Kent Haruf.

Follow the lives of two gruff, elderly bachelor brothers whose hard work on a cattle farm in Colorado is interrupted by the sudden presence of a pregnant teenager with nowhere else to turn. The novel captures the beauty of the American landscape, the quirks found in small-town living and the unwavering strength of family.



Copies of the selections can be picked up at the circulation desk 3 to 4 weeks prior to the book club meeting.

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FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

May 4: Book & Media Donation Drive

May 10: Movie Night - *Lincoln*

June 14: Movie Night - *Monsters, Inc.*

June 19: Friends Meeting

June 22: Frank's Brat Hut Fundraiser

2013 FRIENDS BOARD

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Jane Peck, Mary Ryan,
Lisa Selje
& Ce Ce Wytrykus



FRIENDS BREAKS RECORD WITH PERRY EVENT

The Matheson Friends Speakers Series was a big success again this year with an "Evening With Michael Perry". The bestselling author brought over 200 people to the library, the largest audience on record for a Matheson Library program! The event also raised \$180 for future library services.



The Perry event on April 17 drew a capacity crowd and raised \$180 for library programs.

The full-capacity crowd was entertained by hilarious glimpses into small-town living from Perry and excerpts from his latest book, *Visiting Tom*. Thanks to all who attended as well as a HUGE thank you to Brett Sundstrom and the Grand Geneva Resort for providing their superior accommodations to Perry and his team!

The Friends Officer elections were also held during the evening, with Amanda Pflug taking over as the group's Treasurer for Jerry Wytrykus, who "retired" after four years of invaluable service in the position. Thank you to Jerry for all that he has done for the Friends, and congratulations to Amanda on her new role.

GOT BOOKS?

Get started on that Spring Cleaning and bring your unwanted books to the library for a good cause! The Spring Drive-Up Donation Drive will be held at the library on Saturday, May 4 from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Simply fill your car with gently-used books, audio-books, movies, and music for donation, and the Friends of the Library will unload your car while you wait!

All donations are tax-deductible and will be sold at the upcoming summer Book Sale to raise funds for the library. See the library website for more information regarding donated materials.

BRAT HUT JUNE 22



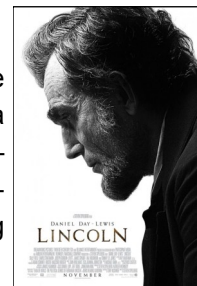
Come have lunch and support the Matheson Friends at Frank's Piggly Wiggly Brat Hut on June 22 from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Proceeds will help fund this year's summer reading programs. It's good food for a good cause! Open (light) rain or shine. :)

IT'S MOVIE NIGHT!

Join the Friends on the second Friday of every month for Movie Night! Enjoy a free movie night out with the family and great movies all summer long. Admission, popcorn and soda are all provided by the Friends. All films begin at 6:30p.m. and children under 13 need to be accompanied by an adult.

May 10: *Lincoln* (2012)

The inspiring true story of realizing one man's vision and his struggles to reshape a nation divided by war. Watch Daniel Day-Lewis' amazing performance as our nation's 18th president for his third acting Academy Award.



June 14: *Monsters, Inc.* (2001)

See the original hit Disney Pixar film before the prequel comes out later this summer. Kids are welcome to bring a pillow and blanket for a front row seat. Our last children's movie had a full-capacity crowd, so come early to get a space!

