



Matheson Memorial Library

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Programs with the "R" symbol require advance registration. Please sign up on the library website or the Circulation Desk to reserve a spot!

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NOTES FROM THE DIRECTOR



The library has been a busy place this fall and many new programs are planned for the next few months. Holiday programs for children and adults are outlined in this newsletter. We hope you will find time to attend! Our Friends group is going strong and had a successful fundraiser in October

with their Trick or Trivia Night. Proceeds from the Friends' fundraisers go toward the summer reading program and many other programs offered at the library.

The Library Board and staff are hosting a **Donor Recognition event** on **Sunday, November 2nd** to celebrate the 10th anniversary of the library addition. We want to thank all of our donors for their past patronage and celebrate our accomplishments over the last decade. Despite dire predictions, the library is busier than ever and still holds an important place in the community. In the ten years from 2003 to 2013 our circulation jumped from 86,633 items to 243,296 items! In the first year alone, after the grand opening of our addition, items checked out increased from 86,633 to 113,404 and it has been climbing ever since. Technology has changed many things in society and in the library and we continually strive to keep pace and provide services and collections important to the community, whether it is access to e-books or help learning iPad basics.

Our next big project at the library will be to implement a **Radio Frequency Identification**

(RFID) system. Between now and January, 2015, we will be preparing our collection and getting security gates. On October 31, the library will be closed to the public while staff works to put RFID tags in our books. When we are finished, you will notice it is easier to check out at our self checkout stations and the security gates will prevent items that are not checked out from leaving the building.

If you've never been upstairs at the library, check out this quiet area with two study rooms, a computer lab, coffee service, audio books, non-fiction books, biographies and more. You may purchase a cup of coffee at the circulation desk for \$1 and serve yourself. Phone chargers may also be checked out to use in the library. A Tech Corner has been implemented at the upper service desk and patrons can "book-a-librarian" to help answer your technology questions.

Lastly, the upcoming changes taking place with the SHARE consortium will happen this month. Most of our patrons will not be affected and should not notice a change in service but those who have a Whitewater library card and use our library will need to get a new card. We have a brochure available at the Information Desk that explains more.

As always, please contact me with any questions or concerns you have about the library (262)723-2678, ext. 22.

Lisa Selje
Library Director



LIBRARY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Libraries everywhere are short-staffed. In the past 5 years in WI, library staff has decreased 2.2%, yet circulation has increased 6.3%. This is why our VOLUNTEERS are so important to us! Without volunteers, we could not provide all the services we do. Some of the ongoing jobs we have are:



- Cleaning, dusting, wiping tables, disinfecting computers, toys, tables
- Cleaning glass doors, sweeping entryway, picking up outside trash
- Cutting crafts, paper, sharpening pencils
- Regular clerical tasks— filing, organizing, labeling
- Organizing books on the shelves

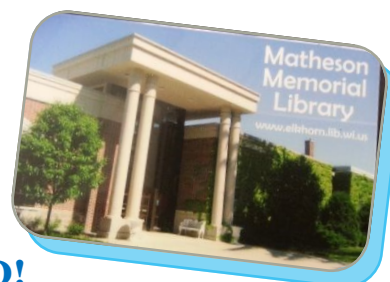
If you are interested in volunteering at the library, please fill out a Volunteer Application available on the library website or in the library.

101 THINGS YOU CAN DO AT THE MATHESON MEMORIAL LIBRARY



1. Borrow books
2. Read books
3. Borrow music
4. Borrow films
5. Watch films
6. Borrow toys
7. Donate toys
8. Use a meeting room
9. Borrow an iPad or Kindle
10. Borrow an expert in something
11. Sit quietly all day without being asked to leave or buy something
12. Build with Legos
13. Learn a language
14. Learn how to use technology
15. Find yourself
16. Improve yourself
17. Photocopy or scan things
18. Meet people
19. Engage in conversation with people
20. Exchange knowledge, information and wisdom
21. Get out of the cold and wet
22. Look up your family history
23. Access government services
24. Learn to read
25. Listen to stories
26. Ask questions
27. Attend a local event
28. Download eBooks and audiobooks
29. Use the Wi-Fi or one of the public computers
30. Reserve and enjoy books, CDs, DVDs and Blu-ray
31. Search the online catalog
32. Have items delivered to you if you're homebound
33. Renew items online, by phone, or in person
34. Do homework
35. Get help from the ultimate search engine—a librarian
36. Bring the family to a puppet show, movie, or magician
37. Bring your infant to programs and meet other parents
38. Reserve a meeting room for your nonprofit group
39. Attend an interesting lecture or creative workshop
40. Read the Elkhorn Independent as far back as 1865
41. Pick up recommended readings list
42. Read the newest bestsellers and magazines
43. Create a resume and apply for jobs online
44. Learn about upcoming community and cultural events
45. Read the latest medical research reports online
46. Play board and Wii games after-school
47. Study in a quiet place
48. Wiggle and giggle with your child at programs
49. Use Library resources to start a small business
50. Find out about local community organizations
51. Consult consumer guides
52. Get detailed specifications and diagrams for vehicles
53. Learn how to help your child gain early literacy skills
54. Learn ways you can interest your toddler in books
55. Update your Facebook page
56. Check out books in large print for easier reading
57. Join a book club
58. Book-A-Librarian for one-on-one technology help
59. Check out your favorite graphic novel
60. Scan photos or documents
61. Learn how to navigate the Internet
62. Get materials 6 days a week
63. Learn how to prepare your preschooler for school
64. Join the Slipped Stitches group
65. Check out a new or old television series
66. Meet an author
67. Schedule a Library tour tailored to your group or class
68. Open an email account
69. Attend a seminar on retirement or Medicare
70. Volunteer
71. Find a new recipe
72. Sign up the whole family for Summer Reading
73. Take a computer class
74. Check out the latest fashion magazine
75. Curl up in a comfy chair near the fireplace in winter
76. Cool off in air-conditioned comfort in summer
77. Read a local or national newspaper
78. Publicize a nonprofit organization on the bulletin board
79. Pick up the library's print calendar of programs
80. Donate your used books to the Friends of the Library
81. Buy a gently used book at the Friends Book Store
82. Reserve (hold) books that will help you plan a vacation
83. Keep kids entertained in the car with audio books
84. Browse the famous Christmas Card artwork
85. Check out maker kits
86. Curl up in the kid's reading corner and read
87. Use the Walworth County Genealogy Library
88. Read obituaries of local residents
89. Play the piano
90. Learn a hobby
91. Attend a free program of interest
92. Participate in 1000 books before Kindergarten
93. Use the local history section
94. Attend a Friends Movie Night
95. See Hammie the hamster
96. See staff recommendations for books
97. Check out a charger and charge your phone
98. Play in the children's area
99. Enjoy the fireplace in winter
100. Showcase your collection in our display case

101.GET A LIBRARY CARD!





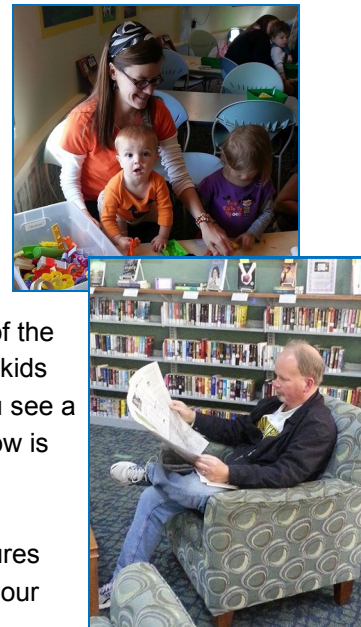
NEW COMMUNITY FEATURES ON FACEBOOK

Started in November 2010 by photographer Brandon Stanton, Humans of New York is a photoblog and bestselling book featuring street portraits and interviews collected in New York City. We decided to start our own **Patrons of Matheson Memorial Library**! Each week, a patron of the library will be featured with a little backstory about why they use the library or what it offers them.

Pictures are worth a 1000 words... that's how the saying goes. So, please send in your pictures of the season to celebrate family, friends and our community. Raking leaves with the family turns into the kids jumping into the pile and a great photo op, send it in and we will post it! While Trick or Treating, you see a beautifully decorated house, take a snap and send it in. You go for a walk in the woods and the snow is glistening bright and beautiful, share your photo!

Do your roots run deep in Elkhorn? Can you trace your family back generations? Do you have pictures from days gone by? Send in your photo for **Throwback Thursday** and celebrate the rich history of our community!

By the end of the long work week, most people are happy for it to be Friday! So, to add a little humor to the day, we are posting a **Friday Funny**! If you have suggestions, feel free to share! All suggestions and photos can be emailed to Debbie Olguin, Adult Services Librarian, at dolguin@elkhorn.lib.wi.us.



PATRON COLLECTIONS

Do you have a collection of stamps, coins, dolls, Pez dispensers, etc.? Do you collect beanie babies, postcards or figurines? Are you a local business that has a historical collection of some kind that would be of interest to the community? Are you a local organization that would like to highlight your place in the community?

If you answered "yes" to any of these questions, please consider contacting the library so we can showcase your collection in our display case! Collections will be displayed for a month at a time.



LIBRARY DONATIONS

Supporting your library is easy! Of course, monetary contributions, volunteering, book and movie donations, etc...are always appreciated, but did you know there are other ways to donate as well?

Daniels Sentry and Frank's Piggly Wiggly:

Supporting the library with these grocers is easy: Simply save your receipts and drop them in the brown boxes near the Circulation Desk. Sentry receipts are collected only within the current year and must also include a "Funds for Friends" sticker requested during checkout. Frank's receipts are collected quarterly: Jan-Mar, Apr-Jun, Jul-Sep, and Oct-Dec. They must be within the current quarter and older receipts are not accepted.

Supplies:

Craft items, office supplies, paper, etc. are always welcome! Currently, the Adult Department is seeking donations of **wire hangers**, **used/old/new Christmas cards**, **wrapping papers**, **ribbons**, **bows** and **yarn**.

The Youth Services Department is always in need of **wet wipes**, **paper towels**, and **Kleenex**. The department is currently collecting **paper towel tubes** (no tp tubes please).



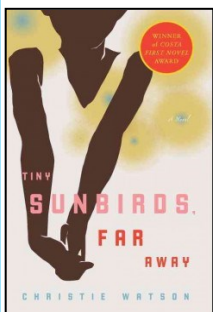
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AFTERNOON BOOK CLUB

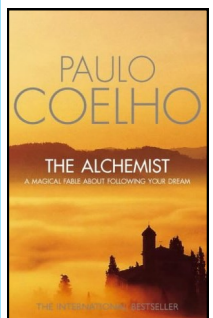
The Afternoon Book Club is a relaxed group of patrons who just enjoy sharing a great book!

Please join us on **Nov. 19th at 2:00 p.m.** for a discussion on *Tiny Sunbirds, Far Away* by Christie Watson.



When their mother catches their father with another woman, twelve year-old Blessing and her fourteen-year-old brother, Ezikiel, are forced to leave their comfortable home in

Lagos for a village in the Niger Delta, to live with their mother's family.



Please join us on **Dec. 17th at 2:00 p.m.** for *The Alchemist* by Paulo Coelho.

This masterpiece tells the magical story of Santiago, an Andalusian

shepherd boy who yearns to travel in search of a worldly treasure as extravagant as any ever found.

The story of the treasures Santiago finds along the way teaches us about the essential wisdom of listening to our hearts, learning to read the omens strewn along life's path, and, above all, following our dreams.

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

Keep Calm...It's Only Christmas!

Healthy Holiday... De-stressing for Women

Wed. Dec. 10th 6-8pm

(LOBBY OPENS AT 5:00 - SHOP EARLY!)

Grab your girlfriends, your sisters and your mother and stop by the library for a night of de-stressing! Enjoy yoga, aromatherapy, massages, crafters, a purse swap and more!



On one side of the **Community Room**, try some chair yoga techniques to relax presented by **Graceful Action**. On the other side, there will be tips on preparing Healthy Holiday Meals by the **UW-Extension**. There will be 4-20 minute sessions at 6:00, 6:30, 7:00 and 7:30.



In the **storytime room**, **Mercy Health Systems** will be offering a presentation on coping with loneliness and loss during the holidays. There will be 4-20 minute sessions at 6:00, 6:30, 7:00 and 7:30.



Upstairs in the **Mary Bray Room**, there will be a **PURSE SWAP!** Bring a **GENTLY** used and cleaned purse to swap. Drop off your purse at the library on Mon. 8th, Tues. 9th or Wed. 10th and get a ticket to enter the swap!



Bring **cash, checks and credit cards** In the lobby, there will be Tupperware, Infinity Lights, Stampin Up, Usborne Books, Essential Oils, Avon and more! **Lobby opens at 5:00! Shop Early!**



In the lobby, enjoy **5-minute chair massages** provided by **Jasmine Salon and Spa** in Lake Geneva.



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TECH TIP

There are many options for free software, but before you download and install something that can be potentially dangerous to your pc, consider using a free online program that doesn't require installation!

Convert Files: zamzar.com

Image Editor: pixlr.com

Zipped Files: (compress files for transmis-

sion) createzipfiles.com

PDF Creator: (a file format that allows anyone to view, print or transmit without needing a specific application)

pdfonline.com

Productivity Suite: (word processing, spreadsheet, etc.) **Google Apps**

Printing: printfriendly.com print any page without ads, junk, empty pages, etc.

ADULT PROGRAMS

Holiday Card Making
on **November 13th**
at **6:00pm.**



Registration is required and space is limited to 15. Adults only please! Everything is supplied for you!



Learn how to make your own cards and make up to 3 holiday cards to take with you! You may register on our website calendar or by calling the library.

THE RETIREMENT CLASSROOM

The Retirement Classroom will be back this fall. Plan on attending **Getting to Know Medicare** on **Wed. Nov. 19th at 6:00pm** to learn all about Medicare.

Barn Quilts of Walworth County Peg Reedy, Agriculture Educator for Walworth County UW-Extension, will be sharing

a presentation on **Thur. Nov. 20th at 6:30pm.**

The project began in Walworth County in 2009 and has continued to grow. Over 85 barn quilts are now found across the county, including four at the Walworth County Fairgrounds.

Healthy Holiday– De-stressing for Women Event on **Wed. Dec. 10th from 5-8pm** Grab your sisters, mother and girlfriends and head over to the library for a fun, relaxing girls night out! Read the details in the article to the left!

Thursday Card Nights! **November 13, 20, December 4, 11, 18 from 5-7:30pm** Stop by the library and make a holiday card for a neighbor! These cards will be distributed with veterans and the elderly. Make this a family event! Let's give back and remember those that may be alone this holiday. **Share the joy of the holiday!**

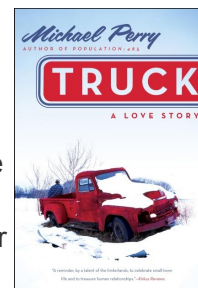


PAGE TURNERS EVENING BOOK CLUB

The Page Turners choose moving and poignant stories to highlight the human condition.

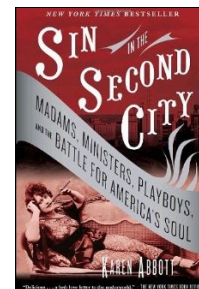
Please join us on **Nov. 5th at 6:30 p.m.** for an insightful discussion about **Truck: A Love Story** by Michael Perry.

Recounts a year in which Perry struggles live peaceably with his neighbors and sort out his love life. But along the way, he sets his hair on fire, is attacked by wild turkeys, takes a date to the fire department chicken dinner, and proposes marriage to a woman.



Please join us on **Dec. 3rd at 6:30 p.m.** for **Sin in the Second City** by Karen Abbott.

Step into the perfumed parlors of the Everleigh Club, the most famous brothel in American history—and the catalyst for a culture war that rocked the nation.



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Did You Know...

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.

Wi-Fi. With your laptop or other internet-ready device, you can have free access to the built-in Wi-Fi.

Databases. Online access to free computer databases, such as the **Auto Repair Reference Center**, **Power Speak** language learning software, **Reference USA**, **Heritage Quest** genealogy research, **Zinio** magazine database, 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.

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 study rooms available on a first-come, first-serve basis to study.

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

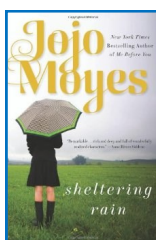
BookMyne. The app that makes it quick and easy to access the library on the go! Download app today!



AUTHOR SPOTLIGHT:



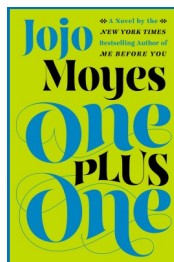
Jojo Moyes was born in 1969, in London, England. She studied at the Royal Holloway University of London and Bedford New College.



Moyes won an award by the newspaper, *The Independent*, to study journalism at City University, London. She worked for 9 years at *The Independent*. In 2002, she wrote her first novel, *Sheltering Rain*. She has written twelve novels (not all have been published yet in the United States). One of her most popular novels, *Me before You*, has

sold over 3 million copies.

With the 2014 release of *One Plus One*, Moyes' popularity in the U.S. is increasing.



Novels

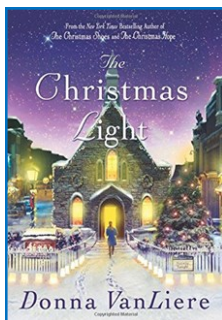
Sheltering Rain
Windfallen
Silver Bay
The Last Letter from Your Lover
Me Before You
The Girl Left Behind
One Plus One

Did you Know...

- Jojo Moyes has won the Romantic Novelists' Association's Romantic Novel of the Year Award twice
- She writes articles for *The Daily Telegraph*
- Moyes held a job that typed braille statements for the blind

Sources: www.wikipedia.org,
www.fantasticfiction.co.uk and
www.jojomoyes.com

READ-A-LIKE: DONNA VANLIERE



Donna VanLiere has continued her Christmas Hope Series with the recent release of *The Christmas Light*. The first novel in the series, *The Christmas Shoes*, was re-

leased in 2001 and was later adapted into a television movie starring Rob Lowe. If you've already read this title or are waiting for it to come in try reading the following suggestions. Read-a-likes are books written with a similar style or theme.

TITLE READ-A-LIKES

A Warmth in Winter by Lori Copeland
Lost December by Richard Paul Evans
The Brethren by Beverly Lewis
Peculiar Treasures by Robin Jones Gunn
A Room of My Own by Ann Tatlock

Author Read-a-likes

Thomas Kinkade
Wanda Brunstetter
Richard Paul Evans
Jan Karon
Debbie Macomber

Have a favorite author you would like featured in the Read-a-like article? Email Sara at skrewal@elkhorn.lib.wi.us



YOUTH SERVICES

Ms. Jennifer's Corner

Fall is off to a great start in the youth services department with lots of fun programs and storytimes. We had over 50 responses to the children's program survey – look for new programs for all ages at different times to debut in the winter/spring (we'll be keeping and bringing back popular programs as well).

Coming in November and December are some of our favorite programs. **Kohl's Wild Theater**, presented by the Zoological Society of Milwaukee and Kohl's Cares, will be returning to the library on November 14 at 10am with The Great Global Extravaganza. It's fun for the whole family with music, puppets, and more! Come early to get a seat as we will be joined by several preschool groups.



Programs in December will include lots of cookies! Registration is open for our popular

Santa's Kitchen program on **December 13 at 10:30am**.

Register now to decorate cookies, create ornaments, and celebrate the season. Babies, toddlers and their families are invited to **The Toddler Cookie Party with Pattie Woods on December 16 at 10:30** to celebrate the end of another great season of baby and toddler storytime.

Finally, I will be offering a special edition of **We Explore on December 17 at 10am**

celebrating one of our favorite cookie stories – The Gingerbread Boy!



Paws to Read Dec. 1 to Feb. 14



I am excited to announce that our winter reading program, **Paws to Read**, will be open to all ages this year, from babies up to teens!

Starting on **December 1**, complete and return as many reading challenges as you can complete. Every Friday, I will draw names to pick from the prize box. This is a fun and easy way to keep everyone reading over the winter break. Paws to Read will end in February with a party to celebrate just how much we love books!

Check out the library calendar online or pick up a paper copy to see more fun programs for all ages from after school clubs open to families to storytimes for ages 0-5. If you can't make it to a program, there's still lots of great things to do in the Youth Services Department from checking out a great variety of materials; books, toys, maker kits, audiobooks, and more to grabbing a take home storytime bag or doing a quick project at the activity table next to the youth services desk.

Don't forget to sign up for text alerts or follow the library on Facebook to keep up with programs and announcements, or check out our Pinterest page to see lots of new books.

See you at the library!

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Ms. Pattie's Corner



Toddlers 'n' Books

Tuesdays at 10am and 11am
Suggested age: 18 to 36 months



Books 'n' Babies

Thursdays at 10am
Suggested age: 0 to 18 months



Tiny Tots

2nd and 4th Mondays at 6:30pm
Suggested age: Infants to 5



Family Game Night

2nd Thursday at 6:30pm
Suggested age: 5 and under



Ms. Pattie's C.A.F.E.

1st Monday at 10am
Suggested age: 0 to 5



Moms with Multiples

2nd Monday at 10am



Playgroup with Ms. Pattie

4th Monday at 10am
Suggested age: 0 to 5

Please check the library website for specific dates and changes in the schedule

For more information contact Pattie Woods, 262-723-3160 ext. 1416 or

woodpa@elkhorn.k12.wi.us



These programs are sponsored by the EASD Parent Connections and the Matheson Memorial Library

FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY



MARK YOUR CALENDARS

November 1-8: Book Store Sale!!!

November 14: Movie Night - *Maleficent*

December 12: Movie Night - *Holiday Inn*

December 17: Friends Meeting Potluck

January 15-17: Book & Bake Sale

HAPPY 1ST ANNIVERSARY, FRIENDS BOOK STORE!

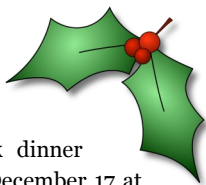
The first year of the Friends Book Store has proven to be a big success, raising **\$4,120** for the library in just 12 months.

The store was initially created as an experiment to help the Friends manage the large volume of donations with a smaller group of volunteers. Our success allows you to purchase gently used books year round!

To thank our customers, we will be offering **all Book Store items for half price from November 1-8**. Get the same great materials for 50% off! Would you like to volunteer for the store? Email friends@elkhorn.lib.wi.us or ask at the Circulation Desk.



GET TO KNOW YOUR FRIENDS



The Friends holiday potluck dinner will be held on Wednesday, December 17 at 5:30pm in the library Community Center. Bring a dish to pass and join us for a celebration of an amazing year of fundraising. Get to know other Friends and help plan our 2015 goals!

2ND TRIVIA NIGHT BREAKS \$\$\$ RECORD

The October 17 Trick-or-Trivia night raised big money and broke last year's fundraising record with **\$3,705** earned for next year's library programming. The James family beat 10 other teams and 2013 winners Leece & Phillips to become the 2014 champions! Patron Judy Tucker took home the award for Best Costume.

Special thanks to the event's Corporate Sponsors for their support: *Badger Contracting of S WI, Elkhorn Wine & Spirits, Kunes Country of Elkhorn, League Trivia, Leece & Phillips SC, Moy's Restaurant, Pearce's Farm Stand, People's Bank and Seymour, Kremer, Koch, Lochowicz & Duquette LLP.*



Friends President Melissa Frost (far right) competes with her team, the Derri-Hares, at the 2nd Annual Trick-or-Trivia event on October 17, 2014.

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.

November 14: Maleficent

Discover the story behind the fairytale as Angelina Jolie becomes the vengeful fairy forced to curse a young princess. Learn how not all legends are what they seem with this live-action Disney film. Stars Elle Fanning as Sleeping Beauty. Rated PG.



December 12: Holiday Inn

See Irving Berlin's "White Christmas" on the big screen before the iconic holiday film! Bing Crosby and Fred Astaire vie for a beautiful up-and-coming performer while running a holidays-only inn. Sing along and celebrate the holidays with this 1942 classic. Film not rated.

