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NOTES FROM THE DIRECTOR



Thank You To Our Donors!

We would like to thank and recognize our generous donors who responded to our year-end appeal letter and those who have given throughout the year. Your support of Matheson Memorial Library is greatly appreciated.

On November 2, we hosted a small donor recognition party that was very well received. Thank you to Julie Ropers-Rosendahl for playing the piano, Bill Rogers at Evergreen Golf Course for donating the appetizers and Tim Shiroda at Elkhorn Wine & Spirits for donating the wine for this event.

We thank the following 2014 donors:

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As many of you know, in November, the changes in our SHARE consortium took place and all the libraries in the Mid-Wisconsin Library System are no longer a part of our consortium. SHARE now consists of 15 libraries in Walworth and Racine Counties. Anyone who had a card from Whitewater or any other library in Mid-Wisconsin cannot use it here and will need to get a new library card. Holdings in our catalog are now less than what they were, but we are still able to order items through inter-library loan. Please ask staff at the Information Desk if you cannot find an item in our catalog that you are looking for.

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




ROMANCES DOMINATE 2014 eBook CHECKOUTS

Love was certainly in the air among library patrons in 2014, with romance novels accounting for **78%** of our top digital ebook checkouts. This statistic is not surprising given the genre topped ebook sales and ranked second only to thrillers in 2013 with \$1.1 billion in total sales (BookStats).

In addition to the paperback romance section found at MML, there are many romance novels that can be found in the regular fiction section because of their larger size. These romances could be softcover or hardcover books and are mixed in with regular fiction.

Quantities of inspirational, historical, paranormal, and mystery romance are greater than ever because publishers are seeing the bottom line: While the typical American reads an average of five books per year, romance readers binge on at least five books per month. Stand proud, romance readers!

But if you're still embarrassed to grab the books with the *steamy* covers this Valentine's Day, head to the Overdrive digital library where checkouts can be safely concealed within your e-reader. Don't worry, we won't tell! 



SO WHO'S READING ALL THESE BOOKS?

According to Nielson Books, the average romance reader is...

Aged 30-54

College educated

Average income \$55K

84% women, 16% men

59% in a relationship



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2014 GOODREADS CHOICE AWARDS

If you are a Goodreads user, then you'll know that The Goodreads Choice Awards is one of the most exciting times of the year! As the only major book award that's decided entirely by readers, the month of November gives Goodreads users the opportunity to cast their vote for the best books of the year in various genres including: Fiction, Historical Fiction, Romance, Biography, Nonfiction, Young Adult, and many others! This year, Goodreads users voted for the best books of 2014, and the results are in! **Take a look at 2014's top books:**

Fiction: Landline by Rainbow Rowell

Mystery & Thriller: Mr. Mercedes by Stephen King

Historical Fiction: All the Light We Cannot See by Anthony Doerr

Fantasy: The Book of Life by Deborah Harkness

Romance: Written in My Own Heart's Blood by Diana Gabaldon

Horror: Prince Lestat by Anne Rice

Science Fiction: The Martian by Andy Weir

Humor: Yes Please by Amy Poehler

Nonfiction: The Opposite of Loneliness by Marina Keegan

Memoir: This Star Won't Go Out by Ester Earl

History & Bio: Romanov Sisters by Helen Rappaport

Business Books: #Girlboss by Sophia Amoruso

Food & Cookbooks: Make It Ahead by Ina Garten

Graphic Novel: Serenity: Leaves on the Wind by Zac Wheddon

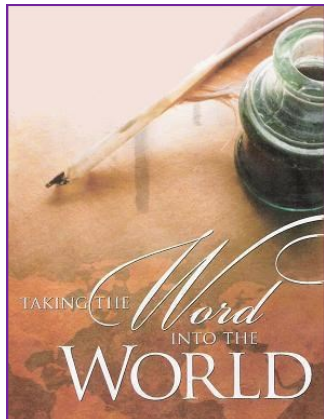
Young Adult Fiction: We Were Liars by E. Lockhart

Young Adult Fantasy: City of Heavenly Fire by Cassandra Clare

Middle Grade: The Blood of Olympus by Rick Riordan

Picture Books: The Pigeon Needs a Bath by Mo Willems

NEW ADULT NONFICTION: 248s WHY YOU SHOULD CHECK THEM OUT



Never before have we as a society been so bombarded with ongoing messages and advertisements as we are today. Whether it be through television, internet, radio, books or magazines, words are constantly passing through our conscious and subconscious minds. Nothing “sticks.” We often fill the passing of time with entertainment that leaves us feeling unfulfilled. Whenever I feel overwhelmed by the vast messages and thoughts the world is throwing my way, I find solace in timely words. You don’t have to wait for someone to say just the right thing to melt your hardened heart, to pick up your broken spirit, or to ease your loneliness. You can check out a book and read to find these right words, these truths. As a Christian, I find that a major way I can deepen my faith is by reading what Christian leaders have shared to help my spiritual growth. Historical authors like C.S. Lewis, A.W. Tozer, and D.L. Moody are great at teaching the mysteries and attributes of God. Modern day authors like Beth Moore and Francis Chan are powerful at pointing out that true faith is alive, that hope can be shared to a lost world, and that the only way people will ever know peace is to know Christ.

Books by all these great authors and more are available in the adult nonfiction section of our library. They have brought healing from discouragement, peace of mind from anxiety, and clarity from this world’s hustle-and-bustle in a way that no other reading material, save the Bible, can do. They are filled with truths that will resonate in your heart, provide lasting messages, produce change through offered hope, and give you fulfillment that “you’ve found what you’re looking for.” I encourage you to peruse our newly updated 248 section upstairs at our library. Be sure to look at the NEW nonfiction for the latest additions.

“Sometimes that’s all it takes to change a life- the right words spoken at the right time, to make the same sun appear to shine a little brighter.”

-Stacy Paprocki, Desk Clerk

READ-A-LIKE: Tami Hoag

Best Selling author Tami Hoag returns with her newest novel *Cold, Cold Heart*. Hoag is known for her suspenseful novels which include *Ashes to Ashes* and *Dust to Dust*. *Cold, Cold Heart* has a scheduled release date of January 2015.



Place a hold today! While you wait try the recommended read-a-likes. Read-a-likes are books written with a similar style or theme.

TITLE READ-A-LIKES

Smash Cut by Sandra Brown
Sworn to Silence by Linda Castillo
Caught by Harlan Coben
Blood Dreams by Kay Hooper

AUTHOR READ-A-LIKES

Iris Johansen
Lisa Gardner
Linda Howard
Tess Gerritsen

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

AUTHOR SPOTLIGHT Tess Gerritsen



Tess Gerritsen, born in 1952, grew up dreaming of writing novels. Her family persuaded her to study medicine instead. In 1979, she received her medical degree and began her work as a physician in Hawaii. While she was on maternity leave, she wrote a story for a magazine contest, winning first place. Gerritsen’s first book, *Call After Midnight*, was published in 1987. Later she began to write medical thrillers, *Harvest* being the first. Now retired from medicine, Gerritsen is a full-time author. Her latest novel, *Die Again*, was released in December 2014.

Rizzoli & Isles Series: Did you know...

The Surgeon
The Apprentice
The Sinner
Body Double
Vanish
The Mephisto Club
The Keepsake
Ice Cold
The Silent Girl
Last to Die
Die Again

- Tess wrote the screenplay *Adrift* which was made into a CBS TV movie in 1993.
- Her real name is Terry but decided to change it to Tess when she started writing.
- She enjoys gardening and can play the fiddle

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

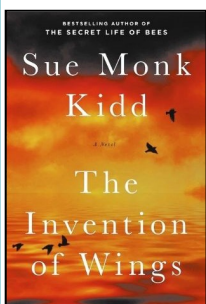
ADULT SERVICES



AFTERNOON BOOK CLUB

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

Please join us on **Jan. 21st at 2:00 p.m.** for a discussion on *The Invention of Wings* by Sue Monk Kidd.



Hetty “Handful” Grimke, an urban slave in early nineteenth century Charleston, yearns for life beyond the suffocating walls that enclose her within the wealthy Grimke household.

Please join us on **Feb. 18th at 2:00 p.m.** for *Defending Jacob* by William Landay.

Andy Barber has been an assistant district attorney for two decades. He is respected. Admired in the courtroom. Happy at home with the loves of his life: his wife, Laurie, and their teenage son, Jacob.



Then Andy’s quiet suburb is stunned by a shocking crime: a young boy stabbed to death in a leafy park. And an even greater shock: The accused is Andy’s own son—shy, awkward, mysterious Jacob.

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

RFID- WHAT DOES IT MEAN?

R RFID (Radio Frequency IDentification) is the latest technology to be used in library theft detection systems. Unlike EM (Electro-Mechanical) and RF (Radio Frequency) systems, which have been used in libraries for decades, RFID-based systems move beyond security to become tracking systems that combine security with more efficient tracking of materials throughout the library, including easier and faster charge and discharge, inventorying, and materials handling. (American Library Association)



Volunteers tagging materials.

Here at Matheson Memorial Library we have decided it is time to purchase a RFID system and security gates due to a large number of missing books and movies. Unfortunately, theft has been an ongoing problem for the library.

Tagging our entire collection is a big project and we have spent the last two months working on it. It is going to take at least two more months before we are finished and we are looking for volunteers to help us. Please see Gail at the circulation desk if you are interested in training.

On December 26th, we turned our security gates on for the first time, and we ask for your patience as we work out the kinks. Our staff has to get used to new check out procedures. Since our old tabletop self-check out

machine is not RFID compatible, we have removed it and replaced our kiosk with a new one from 3M. In the future we may use this for check in as well, but right now it is only for check out.

Once all our items are tagged you will not have to scan each barcode, but simply place the items you want to check out on the pad and it will read the RFID tags, check them out and unsecure them so you can go through the gates.

RFID is useful for other things as well. Not only will it facilitate the check out and check in process, but it will be useful to inventory our collection. This will tell us if items are missing or out of order on our shelves. At some



New self-check out machine.

New RFID security gates .



point in the future we may even get an automated materials handling sorter. This is a machine that will automatically check in and sort books that are returned. Our patrons can quickly self return items with “real-time check-in”. With this feature, they can be assured items are instantly checked in upon return. This allows them to check out items without exceeding loan limits in the same visit.

Come and see what’s new at the library!

ADULT SERVICES



TECH TIP

Shortcut keys can save you a lot of time when you are working a computer. There are the well known CTRL+C (copy), CTRL+V (paste) but do you know there are so many more?

Cut : Ctrl+X

Undo: Ctrl+Z

Redo: Ctrl+Y

Select All: Ctrl+A

Print: Ctrl+P

Alt-Tab: Switch between windows







F1: Universal Help (all programs)

CTRL+ESC: Start Menu

ALT+F4: Quit

On a Mac: Use the command key ⌘ instead of the CTRL key.

Shortcuts using the Windows Logo key:

-  + D: Takes you the desktop
-  + down arrow: minimizes
-  + up arrow: maximizes
-  + plus sign: zooms in
-  + minus sign: zooms in
-  + left or rt arrow: split windows

Try it! You'll be surprised how much time it really does save you!

ADULT PROGRAMS

Valentine Card Making
on **January 24th** at
10:30am.



favorite recipes! There will be a special door prize given away!



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.



Green Living Tips presented by the Green Clean Mamas on **January 28th** at **6:00pm.**

Amy Kazda and Kayla Furton are BACK for another exciting and informative program on living green! They will present tips on easy, inexpensive and effective recipes to use to clean your home and offer some "make-and-take" stations of their

Library Logo Contest from **January 1 through February 27, 2015.** Are you a local student or graphic designer? The Matheson Memorial



Library needs your help!

We are looking for someone to create a new, original logo to grace our advertising. The winner will receive a \$200 prize and will be featured in the May/June newsletter!

All submissions will be accepted by e-mail only to dolguin@elkhorn.lib.wi.us from January 1 until February 27. Sorry, no hand-drawn submissions will be accepted. Files must be sent in the following three formats: .eps, .tiff and .png. Logos in a single color are preferred but not required. Entries will be judged by the staff of the library.

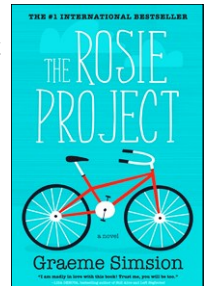
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PAGE TURNERS EVENING BOOK CLUB

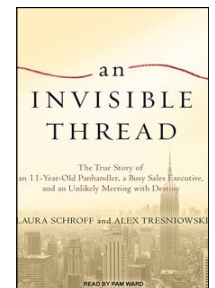
The Page Turners choose moving and poignant stories to highlight the human condition.

Please join us on **Jan. 7th at 6:30 p.m.** for an insightful discussion about *The Rosie Project* by Graeme Simsion.

The art of love is never a science: Meet Don Tillman, a brilliant yet socially inept professor of genetics, who's decided it's time he found a wife. In the orderly, evidence-based manner with which Don approaches all things, he designs the Wife Project to find his perfect partner: a sixteen-page, scientifically valid survey to filter out the drinkers, the smokers, the late arrivers.



Please join us on **Feb. 4th at 6:30 p.m.** for *The Invisible Thread* by Laura Schroff.

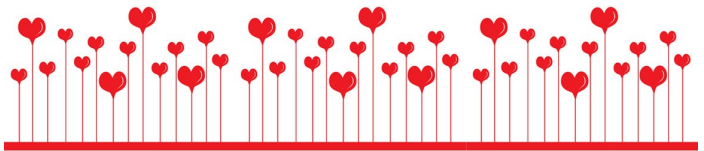


An Invisible Thread tells of the life-long friendship between a busy sales executive and a disadvantaged young boy, and how both of their lives were changed by what began as one small gesture of kindness.

Copies of the 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 Kelly Stech by phone at (262) 723-2678 or email at kstech@elkhorn.lib.wi.us

YOUTH SERVICES



Ms. Jennifer's Corner

Welcome back to a new year – and lots of new programs! We've been working hard to plan a new line-up of offerings for the winter/spring and hope you will enjoy all the great things there are for kids to do at the library. Programs will begin with our **Annual Butterfly Celebration** – this year on a **Saturday, January 10 at 10:30am**. I will be offering a full plate of programs on Wednesdays, starting with a brand-new series, **Winter Wigglers**. I'll also be bringing back **Preschool Interactive** on Wednesday afternoons and continuing **We Explore Nature** programs on Wednesday mornings. **We Explore Favorite Artists** will continue on Friday mornings and is a great chance to experience art and discover new authors and illustrators. Check the calendar for specific dates and themes!

After school clubs; **Lego Club**, **Messy Art Club**, and **Mad Scientists Club**, have been extended to **5:30**. Remember, all ages are welcome and you can drop in any time to join the fun! In February, I will be offering a new book club for beginning readers, grades 1-3. Join the **Bookaneers** and discover reading treasures!

Our winter reading program, **Paws to Read**, will continue until **February 14**. Don't miss out on any of our fun Valentine programs, including a special Saturday program with Ms. Pattie and Paws to Read, **I Heart Books party!**

Looking for a great book to read? Check out the many awards announced in January. American Library Association sponsors more than just the Newbery and Caldecott awards; why not take a look at the **Geisel** (<http://www.ala.org/alsc/awardsgrants/bookmedia/geiselaward>), for early readers, or the **Sibert** (<http://www.ala.org/alsc/awardsgrants/bookmedia/sibertmedal>), celebrating nonfiction. Other awards include the **Cybils Awards** (<http://www.cybils.com/>), which cover a broad range of categories from nonfiction to graphic novels to young adult fiction and are chosen from public nominations by panels of librarians, parents, and teachers. I've been involved with this award since 2009 and we offer a great selection of books that meet both literary quality and child appeal.

If you can't make it to one of our programs, there's still lots of fun things to do in the Youth Services Department in the library. Check out not just books but also video games, maker kits, toys and audiobooks in many formats. Grab a take home storytime bag with storytime suggestions and a quick craft, check out the I Spy aquarium, or see what activities are currently ongoing at the activity table by the children's desk.

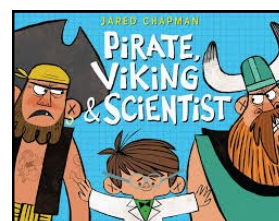
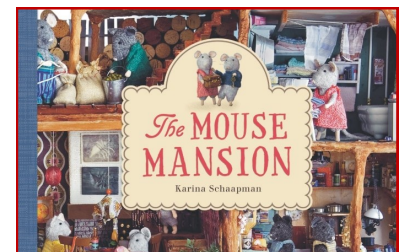
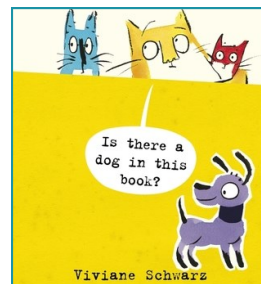
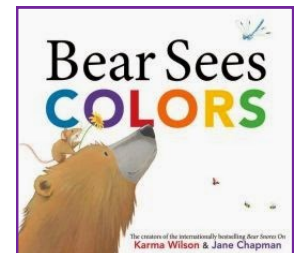
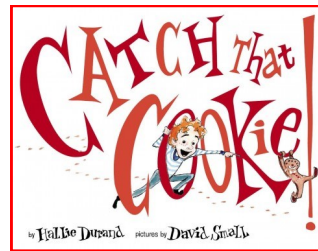
Don't forget to sign up for text alerts or follow the library on Facebook to keep up with programs and announcements or check out our Pinterest page to see the latest new books.

See you at the library!

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Miss Jennifer's Favorite NEW Picture Books



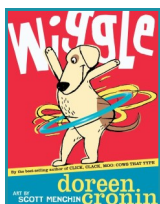
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New Youth Programs



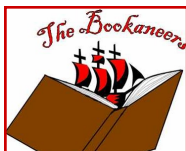
**January 10,
10:30am Annual
Butterfly
Celebration**

Has winter got you down? Come to our annual butterfly celebration! Kids of all ages and their families are welcome. We'll decorate our own butterfly wings, masks, and more to brighten the dull winter days.



**Winter Wigglers,
January 14 &
February 4 at 10am**

Does winter make you wiggly? Come to the library! We'll be scaring away our winter blues with fun, active programs. In January, we will be offering a block party with activities for all ages to spark your creativity. In February, get your wiggles out in an obstacle course through the entire children's area with fun challenges and exercises. There will even be a sensory/safe area for babies.



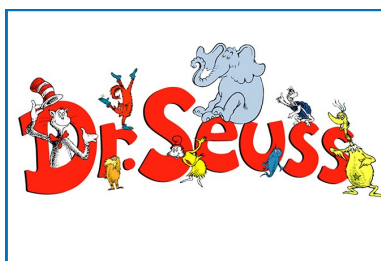
**Bookaneers, 1st
Tuesday of the
month at 4:30
starting February
3rd.**

Arr mateys, here be a treasure trove of books! If you are in first, second, or third grade you are invited to join our new book club! Whether you can read alone or need a little help, this club is for you. Join us for fun crafts, tasty snacks, and talking about our favorite books. We will vote on the book for the next club at each meeting from a selection. Please register and don't forget to bring your library card!



We Explore Series

Explore the world around you through art, nature, and science. No 4K on Wednesday? Come to the library at 10am for We Explore Nature where we'll be reading and making crafts that explore animals, weather, and more things from nature. On the third Friday of the month at 10am, join Pattie Woods of EASD Parent Connections for simple science experiments. On Friday January 30th at 10am, We Explore Favorite Artists returns, a fun program to introduce kids and caregivers to great children's authors and illustrators and a chance to try out different art materials and techniques like fingerprinting or collage.



**Dr. Seuss Celebration February
27th at 4pm**

Don't forget to join us for our annual Dr. Seuss party – fun for the whole family with crafts, treats and activities.

The National Education Association's **Read Across America**, is the annual celebration that calls for every child in every community to celebrate reading on the birthday of beloved children's author Dr. Seuss. It is celebrated on Mar. 2nd each year.

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

3rd Monday at 10am



Playgroup with Ms. Pattie

2nd 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

Jan 15-17: Book & Bake Sale

Jan 30, Feb 6, 13, 20: *Fridays With Oscar* Film Festival

Feb 18: Friends General Meeting

Mar 11: Author Visit: Jennifer Chiaverini

April 1: Author Visit: Mary Kubica

3RD FRIDAYS WITH OSCAR FEST BEGINS JANUARY 30TH

The Friends of the Library is rolling out the red carpet for its third hugely popular *Fridays with Oscar* film festival. This year's screenings of Academy-Award nominated films will be shown on Friday, January 30, February 6, 13, and 20. All films will begin at 6:30pm.



The 2nd *Fridays With Oscar* film fest hosted 350 patrons and raised \$600 for the library in 2014.

Festivities will include free admission, popcorn and soda all provided by the Friends. Attendees are encouraged to come early to put their film knowledge to the test with our own Oscar Trivia! New prize for weekly winners - cushy front-row VIP seating! Bring your glamorous friends, family or George Clooney for a fun night out and "dress to impress" for a walk down the red carpet too!

Children under 13 must be accompanied by an adult for PG and PG-13 films. No children under 18 will be admitted into R-rated films.

The films will be announced after the 2015 Academy Award nominations on January 15. Check the Friends lobby display or library website calendar for selections and more information.

SHOP FOR USED BOOKS ALL WINTER LONG!

Thank you to all those who made the first year of the ongoing Friends Book Store located within the library such a success. Your purchases raised \$4,200 for the library! Do you want to help too? Stop by and shop the Book Store for lots of great deals TODAY!

BROWN BAG BOOK & BAKE SALE



ALL THE BOOKS YOU CAN
STUFF IN A BAG FOR ONLY

\$5

Jan 15 4-6:00pm
Friends Members-Only Preview Sale

Jan 16 9-6:00pm

Jan 17 10-1:00pm

WE'LL SUPPLY THE TREATS & BOOKS, YOU FILL THE BAGS!