



Matheson Memorial Library NEWSLETTER



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Programs with the "R" symbol require advance registration. Please sign up on the library website or in-person.

Sign up for the online newsletter at:
eepurl.com/jzOQ1



NOTES FROM THE DIRECTOR



Summer is here and the library is hopping with lots of fun activities and programs for all ages. We have over 800 kids signed up for the Summer Reading Program and over 70 adults have registered and read at least one book this summer. Children through 6th grade are enjoying the theme, "Every Hero Has a Story", and get a coupon for a treat each week when they visit the library. Prizes for adults will be drawn August 3rd and if you participate in the weekly challenge you have a chance to win a prize every week as we have a drawing every Monday.

We welcome Chad Robinson as our new Adult Services Librarian (see article on page 3). Starting a new job during the first week of the Summer Reading Program is a crazy, stressful time, but he has stepped up to the plate and is doing a great job. Chad will be doing programs for adults, answering reference and technology questions, and ordering non-fiction books among many other duties, like publishing this newsletter! So stop at the

information desk and chat with him, I'm sure he will be open to any program ideas you might suggest. Makenna Beland is our new student Shelver who started in June and will continue during the school year.

Please consider joining our Friends of the Library group that is such a great support to the library. As a Friends member, you may volunteer as much or as little as you like. Their meetings are on the fourth Wednesday every other month beginning at 6:00, the next meeting is August 26. The Friends keep our ongoing book sale running year-round and they show a movie every month on the second Friday at 6:30. Their Book and Bake Sale will be held in August this year, with a members-only preview sale on August 6th and then open to the public on August 7-8.

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

Lisa Selje,
Library Director



AVOID THE SUMMER SLIDE!

By Kara Ripley, Wi Dept. of Public Instruction

It's officially SUMMER! That means sunburns, mosquitoes, lemonade, and summer learning loss? Summer learning loss, sometimes called summer slide, is a very real phenomenon and can affect all children. Studies show that students who do not engage in educational activities during the summer typically score lower on tests at the end of summer than they did at the beginning. It is estimated that two or three months of learning can be lost over summer vacation.

It is very important that students participate in summer educational activities. One study indicated that reading as few as 4-6 books over the summer helps readers maintain their skills, and reading 10-20 helps readers improve their skills.



Children who participate in Summer Reading programs like the weekly Storywagon are more likely to keep learning.

Your library offers a variety of fun programming but there are also resources available to you online from BadgerLink (www.badgerlink.net).

Available to all Wisconsin residents, BadgerLink is Wisconsin's Online Library and provides access to learning games, skill building activities, book recommendations, and more.

Don't let summer be a lost learning opportunity! Go to the BadgerLink Homepage and let the games and fun begin!



BOOK-A-LIBRARIAN IS BACK!

If you have questions regarding tablets, smartphones, ereaders, home computers, or the many databases the library offers, then we have answers!

Starting Wednesday, August 5th from 3:00pm to 4:30pm, and running each week, we will be bringing back our popular by-appointment service, Book-A-Librarian.

We'll try to answer any basic technology questions you have:

- Getting started with a new tablet
- Downloading free ebooks from the library
- Setting up a new email address
- How to post pictures on Facebook

All you have to do is stop by the front desk, or call us at (262) 723-2678 and make a 30-minute appointment!



TABLET & SMARTPHONE FAST FACTS:

- On average, smartphone users spend 3.3 hours per day using their device
- When it comes to reading, 57% of people prefer using a tablet, while 43% prefer a smartphone
- As of April 2014, there are 71 million tablets and 143 million smartphones in use in the U.S.

SUMMER READING SPONSORS

Matheson Memorial Library Thanks These Businesses for their Generous Donations.
Our Adult Summer Reading Program Would Not Be The Same Without Them!

The Abbey Resort

Hampton Inn

Sacred Hearts Books & Gifts

Andes Candies

Holi Cannoli

Sawdust & Stitches

Bell's Liquor & Deli Store

Lake Geneva Cruise Line

Silverfir Art

Daddy Maxwell's Diner & Café

Lyle's TV & Appliance, Inc.

Staller Estate Winery

Dalee Water Conditioning

McDonald's of Elkhorn

Studio Fiber Arts

Daniel's Sentry Floral Shop

Mojo's Stone Fired Grill

Studio Winery

Delavan Dairy Queen

Moy's Restaurant

Subway

Elkhorn Martial Arts Center

Papa Murphy's of Delavan

Friends on the Square

Pizza Ranch of Elkhorn

Hair on the Square

Quilting Connection





NEW STAFF SPOTLIGHT



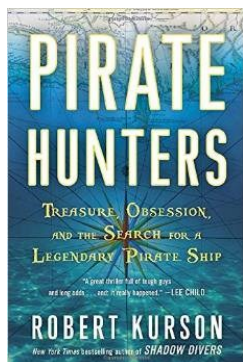
Howdy Elkhorn! My name is Chad Robinson, and I'm very happy to be your new Adult Services Librarian. I'm a native Texan (I don't have any strong feelings for the Dallas Cowboys), a father of two boys, and a proud graduate of Texas A&M University with a degree in History.

I moved to Wisconsin shortly after graduation and have lived in Green Bay for the past fifteen years. In that time I've grown to love Wisconsin and its amazing residents...but not its winters!

I served as an Adult Services librarian at the Brown County Library in Green Bay for 16 years and am excited to bring my experience to the Matheson team. This library is one of the most beautiful libraries I've ever visited.

I'm looking forward to bringing back the Book-A-Librarian program, so please gather up your basic PC, tablet, smartphone and eReader questions and make an appointment with me! I'm thrilled to be here, and I'm really looking forward to being a part of your community and getting to know you. Please stop by and let me know if there's anything I can do for you.

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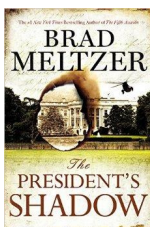


WHAT I'M READING: *PIRATE HUNTERS* By Robert Kurson

Fast-paced and filled with suspense, fascinating characters, history, and adventure, *Pirate Hunters* is an unputdownable story that goes deep to discover truths and souls long believed lost.

READ-A-LIKE: Brad Meltzer

Brad Meltzer continues his Culper Ring series with the recent release of *The President's Shadow*. The New York Times #1 series includes *The Inner Circle* and *The Fifth Assassin*. Meltzer is known for his political and legal thrillers. Place *The President's Shadow* on hold today! While you wait try the recommended read-a-likes.



TITLE READ-A-LIKES

The Camel Club by David Baldacci
The Lions of Lucerne by Brad Thor
The Overton Window by Glenn Beck
The Templar Legacy by Dave Barry

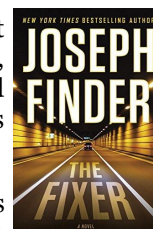
AUTHOR READ-A-LIKES

David Baldacci
Vince Flynn
John Grisham
Steve Martini
Richard North Patterson

Have a favorite author? Email Sara at skrewal@elkhorn.lib.wi.us

AUTHOR SPOTLIGHT: Joseph Finder

Joseph Finder was born in Chicago, IL but grew up in Afghanistan, the Philippines, Washington, and New York. He majored in Russian studies at Yale and received his master's from Harvard where he later taught.



His first novel, *The Moscow Club*, was published in 1991. Several of his novels have been bestsellers. Joseph Finder also writes about espionage and international affairs for *The New York Times* and *The Washington Post*. His latest novel, *The Fixer*, was released June 2015.

Novels:

Company Man
Killer Instinct
Power Play
Suspicion
The Fixer

Did you know...

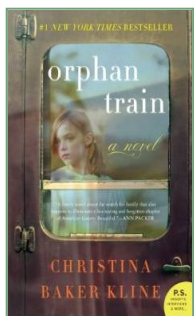
- Two of Joseph Finder's novels have been adapted into films. *High Crimes* starring Ashley Judd and Morgan Freeman. *Paranoia* was released in 2013 starring Gary Oldman and Harrison Ford.
- Finder sang in Yale's a cappella group, The Whiffenpoofs.



AFTERNOON BOOK CLUB

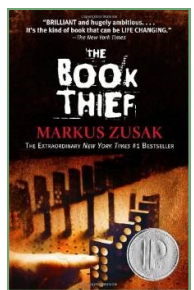
The Afternoon Book Club is a relaxed group of patrons who just enjoy sharing a great book!

Please join us on **July 15th at 2:00pm** to discuss *Orphan Train* by Christina Baker Kline.



Close to aging out of the foster care system, Molly Ayer takes a position helping an elderly woman named Vivian and discovers that they are more alike than different as she helps Vivian solve a mystery from her past.

Please join us on **August 19th at 2:00 p.m.** for *The Book Thief* by Markus Zusak.



Trying to make sense of the horrors of World War II, Death relates the story of Liesel: A young German girl whose book-stealing and story-telling talents help sustain her family and the Jewish man they are hiding, as well as their neighbors.

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

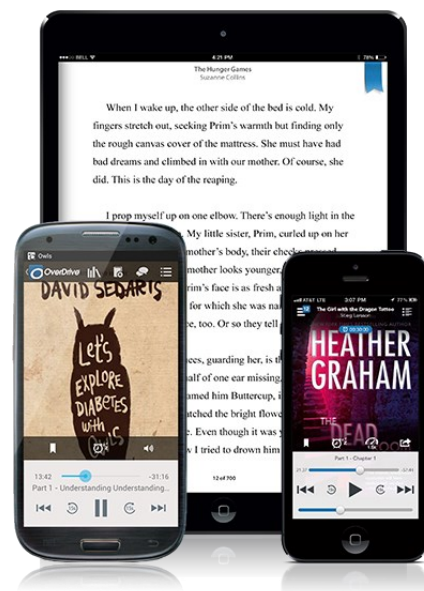
ADULT SERVICES

TECH HELP SESSIONS ARE HOT THIS JULY!

CHECK OUT EBOOKS JULY 15

Bring your ereader on Wednesday, July 15th at 3:00pm to “check out” how to read eBooks from the library. In the Tech Corner on the upper level, Adult Services librarian Chad Robinson will show patrons how to utilize Wisconsin’s digital library system, OverDrive.

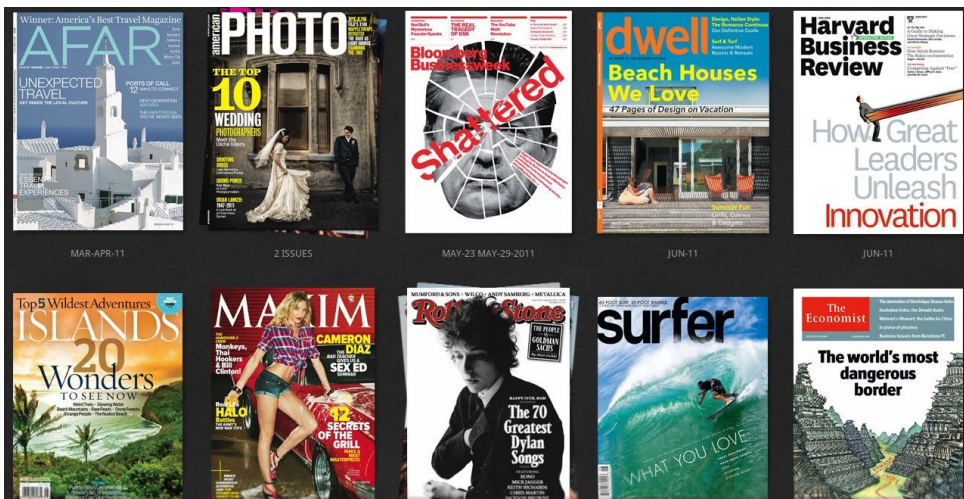
This free class will include training on searching with you on your individual device i.e. Kindle, Nook, tablet, or other e-reader. The Library offers thousands of eBooks for you to download to your tablet, smartphone, or home computer, all for free!



FREE ONLINE MAGAZINES JULY 22

Please join us Wednesday, July 22nd anytime between 3:00pm and 4:00pm at the Tech Corner for a demonstration of Zinio, the free magazine app!

Zinio has new issues of over 130 popular magazines like *National Geographic* and *US Weekly* available to download to your tablet, smartphone, or home computer and keep as long as you’d like, all at no charge. Bring your device so Adult Services library Chad Robinson can install the software and show you all its features. All you have to do then is read and enjoy!





ADULT SERVICES

ESCAPE THE ORDINARY SUMMER PROGRAMS

PAPER BEAD MAKING JULY 8



Wednesday, July 8 6:00-8:00pm

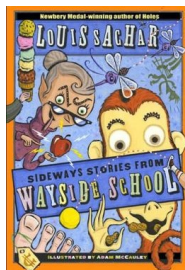
Space is still available to attend the jewelry-making class with master crafter Daniel Gezzi. Learn how to make beads with strips of paper! Supplies will be provided. Registration required.



GRANDPARENT BOOK CLUB JULY 15

Wednesday, July 15 1:00pm

We'll be discussing "Sideways Stories from Wayside School," which tells of humorous episodes from the classroom on the thirtieth floor of Wayside School. We'll talk about the book, and we'll have snacks and lots of fun activities!



KRISTIN'S KITCHEN JULY 21



Tuesday, July 21st at 6:00pm

Registration is required. Space is limited. Learn nutritional, easy recipes that boost your immune system and help fight chronic disease. They're also delicious, and you'll get to sample them!

PERSONAL FINANCE TRAINING JULY 27

Monday, July 27th at 3:00pm

We'll be hearing from the Wisconsin Women's Business Initiative as they discuss financial stability and ways to save for a better future!

RETIREMENT CLASSES CONTINUE AUG 25

The staff from the Retirement Classroom will be back on August 25 for two classes in the library Community Center on how to make the transition into retirement easier. The day begins with the incredibly popular "Getting To Know Medicare" from 4:00-5:30pm, which details how to navigate the federal program and all its quirks.

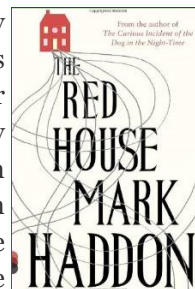
The evening will continue with a new course entitled "Strategies for Social Security & Retirement Income" from 6:00-7:30pm. This class will go over all the big financial issues facing those ready for the next big step in life.

PAGE TURNERS EVENING BOOK CLUB

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

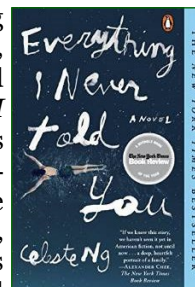
Please join us on **July 1st at 6:30pm** for an insightful discussion about *The Red House* by Mark Haddon.

Richard, a wealthy doctor, invites his estranged sister and her family to join his family for a week at a vacation home in the English countryside. Against the backdrop of a strange family gathering, Haddon skillfully weaves together the stories of eight very different people forced into close quarters.



Please join us on **August 5th at 6:30pm** to discuss *Everything I Never Told You* by Celeste Ng.

A profoundly moving story of family, secrets, and longing, *Everything I Never Told You* is both a gripping page-turner and a sensitive family portrait, uncovering the ways in which mothers and daughters, fathers and sons, and husbands and wives struggle, all their lives, to understand one another.



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

SPECIAL SUMMER STORYWAGON PROGRAMS

Tuesdays at 1:30PM

COMEDY MAGIC WITH LOU LEPORE

July 7, 1:30pm

Come and see Lou Lepore and his amazing magical abilities. This show is guaranteed to provide magic, mystery, and more than a few laughs!

JUMP UP! FAMILY MUSIC

July 14, 1:30pm

Dana McCarthy is an author, songwriter, performer, and educator who creates songs with a simple goal in mind: Getting children and families to sing, dance and play together. He creates an environment that promotes self-confidence, literacy and motor skills too!

NATURE'S BIGGEST, FASTEST, STRONGEST & SMELLIEST WITH DAVID STOKES

July 21, 1:30pm

David Stokes returns to examine animal heroes and their stories with live animals, puppets, artifacts, songs and sign language.

AUDUBON NATURE CENTER: REPTILES & AMPHIBIANS

WITH JIM HYATT

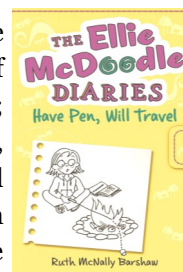
July 28, 1:30pm

Enter the fascinating world of these often misunderstood animals and learn about the important roles reptiles and amphibians play in the natural world. Get a chance to see and touch some of the live creatures and come to a greater understanding of what they teach us about history, survival and the future.



MS. JENNIFER'S CORNER

There's still lots of time for fun at the library this summer! Join us for one of our many fun programs in July; storytimes for all ages, art programs, gardening, and awesome performers. On July 16th, we'll have a special guest at Messy Art Club; Ruth McNally Barshaw, author of the popular Ellie McDoodle books!



It's not too late to join the summer reading program. All ages can sign up throughout July. Ages 0-3 can sign up to be a Rubber Ducky Reader and receive a free board book in August, ages 3-12 can sign up for Every Hero Has a Story and get stickers and weekly treats for library visits, as well as earning a free book and passes in August. Kids entering 6th grade and up can choose to join the teen program and check out books for a chance to win a fun prize.

Our summer programs end on August 1st with The Big Splash, but the fun isn't over yet; come pick up your summer reading prizes, check out books, movies, games, toys and maker kits, or just hang out in the children's area with some friends.

Programs will resume in September after school begins. We will be offering your favorite storytimes with Ms. Pattie again as well as special events, after school clubs, and more fun for all ages.

Ms. Jennifer invites kids ages 1st through 5th grade to join one of our book clubs, beginning in September. 1st -3rd grade can join Bookaneers and 3rd - 5th can join Rock 'n' Read. We meet once a month on Tuesday afternoons, discuss our reading selections, have a snack, and create book-themed crafts. Participants get to choose their reading selections from a variety of reading levels and interests.

Jennifer Wharton, Youth Services Librarian
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Join us for lots of Summer Youth programs at the library, where hundreds of bright young minds are engaged in stimulating activities each week!





YOUTH SERVICES

SUMMER PROGRAMS



THE STUFFED ANIMAL SLEEPOVER IS BACK!

July 2

Drop your stuffed friend off any time on **JULY 2nd**. They will receive a special name tag. After you go home, your stuffed friends will have lots of adventures! Pick your animals up starting on Monday, July 6 along with a special souvenir of their overnight stay at the library.

LEGO CLUB

July 9, 30, 3:30-5:30pm

Children of all ages, from toddlers to teens, are invited to drop in to build with Legos. Stay for ten minutes or the full two hours, then display your creations in the library until the next club meeting. The library supplies the Legos, you supply the imagination.

MESSY ART CLUB

July 16, 3:30-5:30pm

Do you like to mess around with art? Kids of all ages, from toddlers to teens, are invited to Messy Art Club! We supply the materials, you supply the imagination!

GO GO GARDEN

July 10, 31, 10:00am

We'll have a garden-themed storytime, crafts and activities, and all ages are encouraged to help out in the gardens, planting, weeding, and watering. Bring a lunch and a blanket to picnic outside by the gardens (picnic in the storyroom if the weather is bad). Sponsored by the MML and EASD Parent Connections.

WE EXPLORE ARTISTS

July 17, 24, 10:00am

This special storytime series introduces great children's illustrators and authors to young children. Try fun and interesting art techniques, styles, and materials, as well as enjoy storytime and snacks. All ages welcome.

MAD SCIENTISTS CLUB

July 23, 3:30-5:30pm

Do you love experimenting? All ages, from toddlers to teens, are invited to join us for projects and exploration of fun science topics. Drop in any time between 3:30 and 5:30pm to make a science-themed project and try out an experiment.

THE BIG SPLASH

August 1, 10:30am

Finish summer at the library with a splash! Wear your bathing suit and bring a towel; we'll have sprinklers, water balloons, bubbles, and popsicles. When you're ready for a break, join us for giant painting too!

MS. PATTIE'S CORNER

Toddlers 'n' Books



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

Books 'n' Babies



Thursdays at 10am
Suggested age: 0 to 18mos.

Tiny Tots



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

Playgroup with Ms. Pattie



Mondays at 10am
Suggested age: 0 to 5

PROGRAMS END AUGUST 1ST.

Ms. Pattie will be back in September!

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

woodpa@elkhorn.k12.wi.us



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and the Matheson Memorial
Library

WELCOME MAKENNA!

We'd like to welcome Makenna Beland, a Junior at Elkhorn High School as our new Youth Services Shelver!

In addition to shelving books, Makenna has been a huge help to Miss Jennifer in setting up and taking down the props and equipment used in all our Summer Reading Programs. Thanks Makenna!



FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

July 10: Movie Night Pajama Party:
SpongeBob SquarePants

August 6-8: Book & Bake Sale

August 14: Movie Night: *Still Alice*

August 26: Friends Meeting



SAVE THE DATE

We're hosting this year's Trick-or-Trivia night on **October 23 at 7:00pm** to raise funds for 2016 library programming!

IT'S THE ANNUAL MOVIE NIGHT PAJAMA PARTY!

Join the Friends for a fun Movie Night with the whole family on Friday, July 10 at 6:30pm for the 3rd Annual Pajama Party at the library. Kids can wear jammies and bring along their favorite pillows, blankets, and stuffed animals to watch *The SpongeBob Movie: Sponge Out Of Water* on the big screen!



Enjoy free popcorn and soda while watching *SpongeBob SquarePants* and his nemesis, Plankton, team up to save the secret Krabby Patty formula from a diabolical pirate above the sea. Stars the voices of Tom Kenny and Antonio Banderas. Film is rated PG. Children under 13 need to be accompanied by an adult.

BIG BOOK & BAKE SALE AUGUST 6-8

It's that time again! The Friends is hosting their bi-annual Big Book & Bake sale August 6-8, 2015. Fill a paper bag with great used books and movies for only \$5.00! There will be delicious baked goodies for sale too.

It all begins with the Friends-Only Preview Sale on Thursday, August 6 from 4:00-6:00 pm, where members get first dibs on the assortment. Join for only \$10 to shop early! The sale will then open to the public on Friday, August 7 from 9:00-6:00pm and Saturday, August 8 from 10:00-1:00pm. Grab a delicious treat from the Bake Sale too!



Can't make it to the big sale? Shop the Friends Book Store located in the library for deals on books and movies all year long. We have over 1,000 materials for sale EVERY DAY!

JOIN THE FRIENDS!

The Friends of Matheson Memorial Library is always looking for new members to help raise extra funding for the library we all love! Do you have some free time to help? We need to add to our dedicated group of volunteers to keep our Book Store, Movie Nights, Book & Bake Sales, and special events running. We'd love your help!

Pick up a brochure at the Circulation Desk or contact Katie James at friends@elkhorn.lib.wi.us for more information.

MOVIE NIGHTS

See a film on the big screen the second Friday of every month! Enjoy free movies, popcorn and soda all summer long. Films begin at 6:30pm. Children under 13 must be accompanied by an adult.

August 14: *Still Alice*

See the film adaptation of the bestselling book! See Best Actress Julianne Moore in her Oscar-winning performance as a professor whose family bonds are tested after her Alzheimer's Disease diagnosis. Rated PG-13.

