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





NOTES FROM THE DIRECTOR

t seems as though winter did not want to let go this year, bringing us snow and cold well into April, but now we are finally having some nice spring weather and looking forward to a busy summer. New chairs will soon arrive in the children's play

area to replace our worn out couch and a garden space is being planned this summer outside the story room to allow for learning and programs outdoors. Our incubator in the children's area has eggs waiting to hatch and soon there will be chicks to see so come and take a look!

Some highlights of upcoming programs for adults (see pages 2-5 in this newsletter) include two World War II programs, and *many* programs to go with the summer theme, *Exercise Your Mind*, *Read!* Adults who join our summer reading program will be eligible to win some great prizes. Book-a-Librarian sessions are still held every Wednesday to learn more about technology and computer topics. Our adult coloring program, Zen and the Art of Coloring, will be expanded on Thursdays to accommodate more schedules. Drop in between 3-4:00 OR 6:30-7:30 every Thursday and relax at this stress-relieving program. Our Youth Services department takes a break from their regular programs in May so they can make school visits, host classes and provide tours at the library, and plan for a very busy June and July. The summer reading program will include Storywagon performers, maker workshops, Lego Club and much more. This summer our theme will focus on wellness, fitness and sports.

The library staff and Library Board are working on a strategic plan that will help us to focus on our services in the future. Meetings over the next two months will result in new goals and objectives and the new plan will be made available for all to see.

Support our Friends' group by stopping at the Brat Hut at Frank's Piggly Wiggly on Saturday, May 7th. Proceeds will benefit the Friends of the Library. Join the Friends for only \$10 per year and be a part of this great volunteer group. Their next meeting is June 22 at 6:00 p.m.

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

Lisa Selje, Library Director



GET MOVING, WALWORTH COUNTY

By Jenny Wehmeier, Family Living Educator, UW Extension

he idea for Get Moving Walworth County was a simple one. Get families outside more to explore places that they may have never been. Over the past five years, the program has evolved into a mainstay of summer activities for hundreds of families and individuals. The concept is simple. Join us at a park, trail, or school and we'll walk and talk.

In 2016, we look forward to our second year of offering a walk around Geneva Lake via the lakeshore path, divided into five walks from June-August. Last year, 300 people walked some portion of the lakeshore with Get Moving. Our partners at Black Point estate also host a garden tour for walkers from Fontana to Linn Pier that includes a narrated history. Not accessible

by car, this is a treat (and a chance to rest during our walk). And we have even more planned for this year!



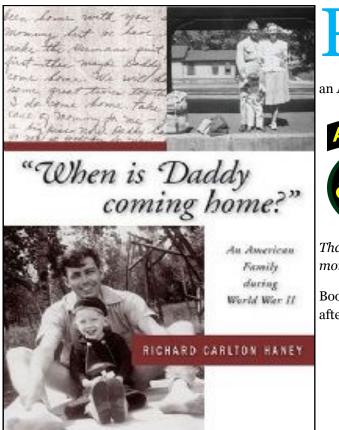
Don't miss our Walk, Talk, and

Gawk event through Elkhorn, hosted by Matheson Memorial Library **(see page 5).** We will hear about the Get Moving Program and other healthy lifestyle programs through the UW-Extension before we head out on our walk through Elkhorn.

For more info on Get Moving, please visit getmovingwalworthcounty.com or call (262) 741-4951



HOME FRONT WISCONSIN



lease join Richard Carlton Haney, retired professor emeritus of history at the University of Wisconsin-Whitewater, **on Wednesday, May 11th at 6:30pm** as he talks about his

book, "When is Daddy Coming Home: an American Family during World War II."



World War II was coming to a close in Europe and Richard Haney was only four years old when the telegram arrived at his family's home in Janesville, Wisconsin.



That moment, when Haney learned of his father's death in the final months of fighting, changed his and his mother's lives forever.

Books will be available for sale, and there will be a book signing afterwards.



WWII VETERANS OF WALWORTH COUNTY: THEIR STORIES



alworth County is the proud home of many decorated World War II veterans. Sadly, as the years pass we lose more of these heroes each year, thus making their war memories and experiences more vital and important than ever. Please join us at **6:30pm on Wednesday, May 25th** as we hear true stories of our very own hometown heroes. The panel will feature:

• Richard Herman, whose father served as a German interpreter during the war, and played a vital role in the prosecution of Nazi war criminals at the postwar trials.

■ Bob Webster of the Walworth County Historical Society, who will take us through the amazing war experiences of several Sharon-area veterans who were decorated for gallantry after the war.

Don't miss this opportunity to hear the stories of local men who left behind families and friends to defend our nation, and the sacrifices they were called on to make.



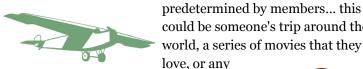




A NEW CLUB!

eginning June 27th at 6:30pm, and continuing every second Wednesday evening of the month, the library is proud to announce a new "Book Club" ...but without the book!

Every month this group will meet to discuss a different topic,



could be someone's trip around the world, a series of movies that they love, or any

kind of unique experience they've had. Members can even talk about a book they love, if they really want to ...



Please join us for our inaugural meeting where we will discuss Adult Services

librarian Chad Robinson's exciting tale of growing up in the exotic and faraway land of Texas. The sky's the limit after that!





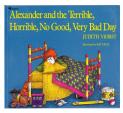
A NEW PROGRAM!

e're very pleased to bring back our popular Grandparent/Grandchild storytime this summer! Each book talk will be held at 10:00am in the

Mary Bray Room on the 4th Monday of each month. Here's the schedule:

- 1. June 27th The Indian in the Cupboard by Lynne Reid Banks
- 2. July 25th Alexander and the Terrible, Horrible, No Good, Very Bad Day by Judith Viorst
- 3. August 22nd The Giving Tree by Shel Silverstein







We'll also have fun activities for you to do together. You don't have to read the book beforehand to participate...just grab your grandchildren and we'll see you this summer!

READ-A-LIKE: KRISTIN HANNAH

ristin Hannah's novel The Nightingale has been on the New York Times Bestsellers list for over a year. The book centers on sisters Vianne and Isabelle during World War II. Already read The Nightingale? Try a readalike.

Title Read-a-Likes

The Light in Ruins by Chris Bohjalian Lilac Girls by Martha Hall Kelly The Girl You Left Behind by Jojo Moyes Suite Francaise by Irene Nemirovsky

Author Read-a-Likes

Jennifer Chiaverini Barbara Delinsky Dorothy Garlock



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

AUTHOR SPOTLIGHT: MARY KAY ANDREWS

ary Kay Andrews is the author of several novels with a southern theme. She graduated from the University of Georgia with a degree in journalism. Her first job in journalism was covering a murder trial that later became the basis for the book Midnight in the Garden of Good and Evil written by John Berendt. Andrews began writing mystery novels during the 1990s under her real name Kathy Hogan Trocheck. She switched to Andrews in 2002 with the release of Savannah Blue. Her latest novel, The Weekenders, has a release date in May.

Novels Summer Rental Spring Fever Ladies' Night Christmas Bliss Save the Date Beach Town The Weekenders



AFTERNOON **BOOK CLUB**

he Afternoon Book Club is a relaxed group of people who just enjoy sharing a great book!

Please join us on May 18th at 2:00pm to discuss *If I Stay* by Gayle Forman.



In the blink of an eye everything changes. Seventeen-year-old Mia has no memory of the accident; she can onlu recall what happened afterwards, watching her own

damaged body being taken from the wreck. Little by little she struggles to put together the pieces- to figure out what she has lost, what she has left, and the difficult choice she must make.

Please join us on June 15th at 2:00 p.m. for *Montana* 1948 by Larry Watson.



The cataclysmic summer of 1948 permanently twelve-year-old alter David's understanding of his family: his father, a small town sheriff; his remarkably strong courts Larry Watson mother; David's uncle

Frank, a war hero ; and the Haydens' Sioux housekeeper.

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 Lisa Selje by phone at (262) 723-2678 or email at lselje@elkhorn.lib.wi.us

SUMMER RE



he 2016 Adult Summer Reading Program kicks off on Saturday, June 11th. Adults over age 18 can participate by picking up a Reading Log at the Information Desk.

How the program works:



Beginning June 11th, read one book of your choice and write the title and author on your Reading Log.

Bring in your Reading Log (between June 11th and August 12th)and receive a prize bag for the first book you read.

For each additional book that you read, bring in your Reading Log and you will receive an entry for a Grand Prize Drawing. (Maximum of 30 entries.)

You can read anything you like, audiobooks included. Please try to avoid children's books, picture books, or books below your level...let's stretch those reading muscles!

You can earn an EXTRA entry for the Grand Prize Drawing by attending any 2016 Summer Reading Adult Program that is listed on the next page.

There will be two grand prize drawings: one on July 11th, and the other on August 15th. We'll have one winner per prize.

In addition to the Grand Prize Drawing, we are offering a fun weekly raffle. There will be a "Weekly Pledge" prize drawing . Stop by the Information Desk each week to find out what the pledge is. The challenges won't be too...challenging, and will be something you can do before the end of the week. We're on the honor system here! You can earn an entry for each pledge completed. Prizes for the weekly pledge will be drawn each Monday.







ADULT SERVICES



016 ADULT ROGRAMS



June 14th at 6:30pm - Unleash Better Health for You & Your Dog. Learn the health benefits, for both you and your dog, of enjoying exercise together. Local dog parks and trails will also be discussed!



June 21st at 6:30pm - Wheel Fever with Nick Hoffman. Join historian Nick Hoffman, author of Wheels of Fire: How Wisconsin Became a Great Bicycling State as he discusses the history, and the appeal, of bicycling in Wisconsin.



June 28th at 6:30pm - Lake Monsters of Wisconsin. Wisconsin is home to many lakes, and some of them may have bizarre creatures living in them! Join paranormal adventurer Chad Lewis as he talks about his hunt for Lake Monsters.



July 5th at 6:30pm - Back On My Feet with Jeff Adams. Back On My Feet is a charity that combats homelessness through the power of running. Join worldwide marathon runner and board director Jeff Adams for his talk on helping others through physical activity and giving a second chance.



July 12th at 6:30pm - Live to be 100! Now, more than ever, making it to your 100th birthday is attainable, with the right life habits. Join researcher Terry Fisk as he explains how you can calculate your life expectancy and what lifestyle changes you can make to increase your odds of living to be 100.



July 19th at 6:30pm - Downsizing? Let's Get Started! Clutter Coach Kathi Miller shares her expertise to help you navigate downsizing to a smaller place. This program covers what to take, what to leave behind, and how to decide.



July 26th at 6:30pm - Pioneer Gardening. Join Marcia Carmichael, author of Putting Down Roots: Gardening Insights from Wisconsin's Early Settlers for a fascinating look into what the early Wisconsin settlers grew in their gardens.



August 2nd at 6:30pm - Get Fit with Rachel . Join fitness expert Rachel Person from Four Lakes Athletic Club as she talks about the many ways you can start your journey to a healthier lifestyle.



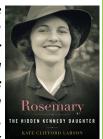
August 8th at 6:30pm - Walk, Talk, and Gawk through Elkhorn. Join UW-Extension educator Jenny Wehmeier as she takes us on a walk around the town square. While we're walking, she'll discuss the Get Moving Walworth County health initiative, and ways to stay active.

PAGE TURNERS EVENING BOOK CLUB

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

Please join us on May 4th at 6:30pm for an insightful discussion about Rosemary: the Hidden Kennedy **Daughter** by Kate Larson.

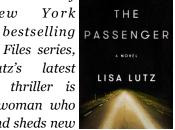
Using newly available sources. including and other diaries private Kennedy documents, the tragic story of Rosemary *Kennedy is recounted*, including her family's



decision to have her lobotomized, and their complicity in covering it up.

Please join us on June 1st at 6:30 **pm** to discuss **The Passenger** by Lisa Lutz.

From the author of the New York Times Spellman Files series, Lutz's Lisa latest blistering thriller is about a woman who creates and sheds new



identities as she crisscrosses the country to escape her past: you'll want to buckle up for the ride!

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



YOUTH SERVICES

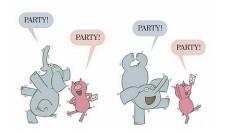
MAY PROGRAMS

Winnie the Pooh Tea Party

May 3, 10:30: Join Ms. Pattie for a special summer party celebrating all things Pooh in the library community room.

Roll Into Summer

May 10, 10:30: Do you love trucks, cars, and things that go? Join Ms. Pattie for a pre-summer truck party! Outdoors at the Wisconsin St. entrance, weather permitting. Rain location, the Storyroom.



Pig Party: Celebrating Mo Willems

May 14, 10:30: Do you love Elephant and Piggie, the Pigeon, and all things Mo Willems? Join us for a fun party with treats, crafts, and more!

Bookaneers

May 3 at 4:30pm: If you are in first, second, or third grade you are invited to join our book club! Join us for fun crafts, tasty snacks, and talking about our favorite books. This will be our last meeting until next fall.

Rock 'n' Read

May 10 at 4:30pm: If you are in third, fourth, or fifth grade you are invited to join our book club! Crafts, activities, and book talk! This will be our last meeting until next fall.

MS. JENNIFER'S CORNER

e're finishing up a great winter/spring season of programs here in the youth services department and are looking forward to another fun summer!

We will have some fun parties in May **but no regular storytimes or after school programs.** The youth services department is hard at work scheduling school visits and preparing for summer!

There's plenty to do in the children's area! Check out **Chick Central** and the progress of the eggs and explore our many toys and interactive stations.

This summer, we are excited to offer **5 Storywagons**! Join us on **Tuesdays at 1:30** for fun for the whole family with music, science, magic, comedy and more from a series of awesome performers. We'll also be offering storytimes, playgroups, after school clubs for all ages, and special programs throughout June and July. So, make sure to check your calendars!

Don't forget to read this summer! We have reading programs for all ages from babies to teens. We invite ages 0-5 to sign up for **Ready**, **Set**, **Read** with an activity sheet to complete at their own pace and developmental level. Ages 5 to 12 are encouraged to join this year's summer reading program, **On Your Mark**, **Get Set**, **Read!** They will receive a prize when they sign up, donated by local artist Cherie Gerhardt, earn stickers throughout the summer, and receive a free book to keep in August. Participants will also receive a free surprise each week they visit the library. Teens (entering sixth grade through high school) will be able to enter their checkout receipts as drawing slips for weekly prize drawings, so make sure your library cards are updated!

See you at the library!

Jennifer Wharton, Youth Services Librarian jwharton@elkhorn.lib.wi.us

LIBRARY CAMPOUT

June 10, 6:30-7:30pm. Registration required and space is limited. Grab your tent or blanket, a flashlight, and join us at the library for an after hours camp out! You'll get to explore the library after hours, then join us in the storyroom for treats and some scary stories (we'll start with less scary tales for the little ones and work our way up to

some hair-raising horrors!

SAFETY SHOWER

June 11, 10:30am. Be prepared for a safe, fun summer by visiting the Safety Shower. Browse information from community organizations, learn about fun summer programs and opportunities, and try out crafts and treats. Suggested for ages 0-5. Sponsored by the MML and EASD Parent Connections.

YOUTH SERVICES

June Programs

OPEN GARDEN

June 13, 27, 9-10amJoin Ms. Jess outside in our new children's garden and outdoor education area. There will be open-ended activities and outdoor fun.

WE EXPLORE FAVORITE ARTIST

Wednesdays at 10:00am: It's back! Join us on Wednesdays at 10am, starting June 13, to explore the art and stories of our favorite artists. We'll paint in the style of Eric Carle, try out Michael Hall's collage techniques, and more! Snacks will be provided.







AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

Thursdays, **3:30-5:30pm**. Drop in on Thursdays, starting June 16, for our after school clubs. Check the calendar for specific activities—we'll be playing with Legos at Lego Club, painting and more at Messy Art Club, and trying out some experiments, including polka-dot slime, at Mad Scientists Club.

MAKER WORKSHOPS *NEW*

Fridays at 3:30: Register online for our new series of Maker Workshops! Sewing, Carpentry, Robots, and more! Make sure you read the requirements for each class, instead of limiting them by ages we have listed the skills and independence level needed.

STORYWAGON

Tuesdays at 1:30: Storywagon is back! We will be kicking off with a performer unique to the Matheson Memorial Library—our favorite live animal educator, Dino Tlachac of Nature's Niche. Storywagons this summer will include juggler and storyteller Chris Fascione, Great Scott the magician, and more.



For more summer events and programming, check out the library website, www.elkhorn.lib.wi.us or pick up a summer calendar

MS. PATTIE'S CORNER

There will be no regular storytimes in May. Storytimes will resume June 14

Toddlers 'n' Books

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



Books 'n' Babies Thursdays at 10am Suggested age: 0 to 18months.

<u>Tiny Tots</u> 2nd & 4th Mondays at 6:30pm Suggested age: Infants to 5yrs

Special Programs

Mother Goose on the Loose will begin in May. Registration is open now. Contact Pattie Woods or Jennifer Wharton for more information.

> Winnie the Pooh Tea Party, May 3, 10:30

Roll into Summer, May 10, 10:30

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



woodpa@elkhorn.k12.wi.us

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



FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

BRAT HUT FUNDRAISER MAY 7

ome have lunch and support the Matheson Friends at the Frank's Piggly Wiggly Brat Hut on Sunday, May 7 from 10:00-

2:00pm. Proceeds will help fund summer reading programs. Enjoy good food for a good cause! Open ((light) rain or shine.

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SPRING CLEANING? GIVE US THOSE OLD BOOKS!

So while you're doing that spring cleaning, please consider donating your extra books, audiobooks, and movies to the library.

These tax-deductible donations are first considered for the library's collection, then rotated into the Book Store shelves to be sold back to the community. Sales are used to support ongoing library programs and materials. Just bring your donation to the Circulation Desk and we'll take care of the rest! **Please no textbooks, cassette tapes or magazines at this time.** Just ask a librarian for more details!

WE NEED: Self-Help Cookbooks Political & History Biography Religion Home Improvement AND MORE!



MAY MOVIE NIGHT

oin the Friends for the summer Movie Nights! Enjoy a free movie night out with the family and great movies at the library. Admission, popcorn and soda are all provided by the Friends. Films begin at 6:30pm.

May 13: The Revenant

See Leonardo DiCaprio in the role that finally snagged him an Academy-Award! DiCaprio stars as a frontiersman on a fur trading expedition who is mauled by a bear and left for dead by his own team in 1820s Canada. Also stars Tom Hardy, and Will Poulter. Rated R.

Note: There will be no Movie Night in June.



FRIENDS COOKIE BOOK FUNDRAISER

he next Friends fun-raiser is here! Starting May 2nd, the *Taste of Home* Best of Country Cookie cookbooks will be available for purchase for only \$10 to help raise funds for the Friends. The full-color book is in its seventh printing and is packed with over 250 delicious reci-

pes that are sure to inspire all the chefs in your life! It was created using the best recipes from a nationwide *Taste of Home* contest.

Copies will be available for purchase with the Circulation Desk staff all summer long. Sale proceeds will benefit library materials and programming.

So stop in to pick up this *sweet* cookbook and help the library TODAY!

