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October 26th

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For news on upcoming programs, events, and other library happenings, please follow our Facebook page at

www.facebook.com /ElkhornLibrary/





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**



his issue starts a new look to our library newsletter. Yes, it's shorter! We hope that you will continue to read the newsletter to discover the latest library news and information about our adult programs. The Children's

Department has created a separate newsletter that will go by semester and has information about all their services and programs. It is available at the children's desk. Monthly calendars will be available, as usual, at both desks and will contain all program information. Please provide staff with feedback on whether you like this change. We want to know where you look to find your library news!

Our Summer Reading Program ended on August 11 and prizes were distributed to the lucky winners. We had an enjoyable summer with the theme, "Libraries Rock!" and had many programs for all ages, including programs outside in the garden. We are scaling back in September because of our parking lot construction. We do not want to plan any big programs while there is no parking allowed in the lot, but will continue holding our regular children's programs during this time. Please bear with us during construction as we are trying to make things easier by offering Hold pickup at the Recreation Center in Sunset Park. If you call or tell us, staff will take your Holds to the park during specified hours every week, otherwise they will stay on the Hold Shelf at the library. For your convenience, you can pick up Holds and return items during these specified times. Otherwise be prepared to walk 1-2 blocks to the library and please use the Wisconsin Street entrance as the doors to the parking lot will be locked when the barricades are up. Small prizes are being given out to patrons who ride their bike to the library in September. Our drive-up book return has been

moved to the boulevard on the first block of Walworth Street in front of the 1887 building/Jackson School.

September is Library Card Sign-up month and we do want to encourage all people to get a library card. Library cards are free but our policy is to charge \$1 for a replacement card and \$2 if you have lost multiple cards. We are having a promotion this September for FREE replacement cards all month. If you lost your card, now is the time to get a new one! If you don't want to carry your library card with you, ask staff about a free app, like Stocard, that will allow you to scan your library card so it will always be on your smart phone. You can then use your phone to check out materials, and yes, it works at the self-checkout station.

Our Friends of the Library group meets every other month and is a fun group that supports our library. Please consider joining the Friends! We appreciate our volunteers and are able to do so much more because of our Friends' group. They contributed money to make our new meeting room possible and we expect the room will be available for use by the end of September. The Friends' next general meeting is October 24, at 6:00 p.m. Child care will be available during the Friends' meetings if you call 262 -723-9140 to request it. The Friends' big fundraiser, Trick or Trivia, will be held on October 13, at 7:00 p.m. See the back page for more information.

As always, please contact me with any questions or concerns you have about the library (262)723-9140.

Lisa Selje, Library Director







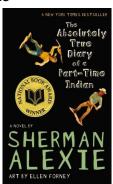
## SEPTEMBER PROGRAMS

#### AFTERNOON BOOK CLUB

he Afternoon Book Club is a relaxed group of people who just enjoy sharing a great book! They meet on the third Wednesday of the month at **2pm.** 

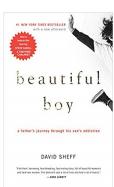
September 19th – The Absolutely True Diary of a Part-Time Indian by Sherman Alexie

Budding cartoonist Junior leaves his troubled school on the Spokane Indian Reservation to attend an all-white farm town school where the only other Indian is the school mascot.



### October 17th - *Beautiful Boy* by David Sheff

This true story follows a father as he aids his son on the long road to drug addiction recovery, and how their relationship grows through the process.

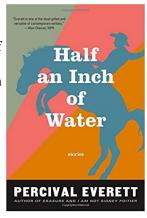


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#### INTRODUCING A NEW KIND OF BOOK CLUB!

The Short Story Book Club is for people who would love to get involved in a book discussion, but just don't have the time. Each month we'll focus on a new piece of short fiction, most no longer than twenty pages, and meet at a local tavern or pub for a bit of trivia, some fun facts, and a fun, interactive discussion . Our first meeting will be on **Tuesday**, **September 25th at 7:00pm** at the **Not Too Far Away Pub & Grill** at N6444 US-12 in Abells Corners. Our very first short story will be *Graham Greene* by Percival Everett, in which a promise to a 100 year-old Native American woman takes many unusual turns.



On **October 23rd** we'll feature a spooky double header as we cover **The Open Window** by Saki, and **The Night Wire** by H.F Arnold. Both stories will be sure to give you a seasonal chill...and maybe even a laugh or two. For this event, we'll be meeting at **Cali Ristorante Italiano** at 10 W Evergreen Parkway in Elkhorn.

Copies of *Half an Inch of Water*, the anthology that our short story appears in, will be available upon request at our circulation desk. For our October selections, photocopies of both stories will be available at the Info Desk. We hope you can make a little time to join us for our short discussion!

#### 1928: ELKHORN'S WORST YEAR

#### Thursday, September 27th at

6:30pm - Claude Eames, editor of the Elkhorn Independent in the Twenties, called 1928 the worst year that Elkhorn had ever experienced. He was referring to a string of tragedies that plagued the city; car accidents, freak disasters, an airplane crash, and even murders...one still unsolved. Please join Adult Services librarian Chad Robinson as he recounts the dark events that made 1928 our worst year.





## **OCTOBER PROGRAMS**

## LEARN THE BASICS OF GHOST HUNTING FROM THE SOCIETY OF ANOMALOUS RESEARCH

## Tuesday, October 16th at 6:30pm -

Come and join members of the Society for Anomalous Research out of Janesville for a haunting evening of ghost hunting and exploring the paranormal! The Society will showcase the equipment they use during their investigations, the evidence they've



gathered on their investigations that point to the existence of ghosts, and relate some of their hair-raising experiences while visiting haunted locations. They'll also be happy to answer any questions from anyone who is interested in carrying out their own paranormal research!

# LEARN ALL ABOUT VICTORIAN FUNERAL CUSTOMS WITH THE BLACK POINT ESTATE

Thursday, October 25th at 6:30pm - Nineteenth Century Victorian culture embraced death as a cause for elaborate ritual. During this era (1867-1915) the ritual of death became increasingly sophisticated. This program, presented by the Black Point Estate in Lake Geneva, will showcase the unique Victorian funeral and mourning customs that have evolved into our modern methods of grieving. The program will be led by Black Point researcher Steve Person, a retired funeral director, who will be dressed in a periodaccurate costume as a Victorian undertaker. Don't miss this haunting tour of how mourning was carried out in a world both exotic and familiar to our own.



#### PAGE TURNERS EVENING BOOK CLUB

he Page Turners choose moving and poignant stories to highlight the human condition. They meet on the first Wednesday of the month at **6:30pm** 

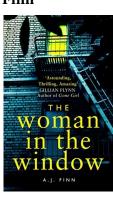
## September 5th - *The Stolen Marriage* by Diane Chamberlain

During World War II, a young woman's marriage plans are complicated by adultery, money fraud, and a mystery.



## October 3rd - The Woman in the Window by A. J. Finn

An agoraphobic recluse languishes in her New York City home, drinking wine and spying on her neighbors. One day she witnesses a crime that threatens to expose her secrets .



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