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

[www.facebook.com/ElkhornLibrary/](http://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](http://eepurl.com/jzOQ1)

## NOTES FROM THE DIRECTOR



It's that time of year, the Walworth County Fair is here and we realize summer is coming to an end. School is starting and the weather is cooling off as we head into the fall season. September is Library Card Sign-up Month and one of the perks we are offering is free replacement cards during September. Although library cards are initially free, if you lose one, we usually charge \$1 for replacement cards to cover the cost of the card and barcode. So, for all kids and adults, if your library card is lost, now is the time to get it replaced!

In September, we have an interesting program on the lasting effects of childhood trauma. Join us on Sept. 10 to learn more about the impact this has on society. Then on September 26, we hope you can join Chad Robinson as he delves into the past and talks to us about Elkhorn in the days prior to World War II. We will have some spooky programs in October, including the Short Story discussion and the Edgar Allan Poe program. Check this newsletter and our website for more details on these and other programs. Children's programs are listed on our website calendar, or you can stop in and pick up a paper calendar. "Paws to Read" with Lakeland Animal Shelter is held on Mondays at 4:15. Come, read and play with an animal that is looking for

adoption.

Our fundraising efforts this year have had some success and we have received \$1,395 in donations so far. We are still hoping to get closer to our goal of \$11,598, we have a way to go! Please consider donating to the Matheson Memorial Library Foundation to help us pay for these new additions that have greatly improved our library. You can drop off a check at the desk or donate online at [www.elkhorn.lib.wi.us](http://www.elkhorn.lib.wi.us).

Our Friends of the Library group meets every other month with the next general meeting on October 23, at 6:00 p.m. Child care is available during the Friends' meetings IF you call 262-723-9140 in advance to request it. The Friends had a very successful Book and Bake Sale in August and raised \$2,450! This was one of our biggest sales ever. The committee is planning the Trick or Trivia fundraiser and this year, for the first time, it will be held at Sperinos, on October 26. There will be room for additional tables so if you haven't played before, consider it this year. Our Friends' group supports our library in many ways so please consider joining the Friends!

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

Lisa Selje, Library Director



### THE SHORT STORY BOOK CLUB

The Short Story Book Club is a fun group that saves time by only discussing short stories! We have games, trivia, and a discussion, and we meet offsite at Someplace Else Restaurant each 4th Tuesday of the month at 7:00pm.

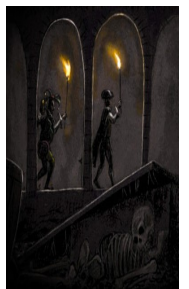
**Sept. 24th –Miss Marple Tells A Story by Agatha Christie**

*The famous sleuth is asked for help by an old friend who is about to be indicted for his wife's murder. Can Miss Marple save him from the gallows?*



**Oct. 22nd - The Cask of Amontillado by Edgar Allan Poe & The Question by Stanley Ellin**

*For Halloween, the Short Story Club will discuss two classic dark tales that feature evil that is all-too human...*



For more information, contact **Chad Robinson** by phone at (262) 723-9142 or email at [crobinson@elkhorn.lib.wi.us](mailto:crobinson@elkhorn.lib.wi.us)





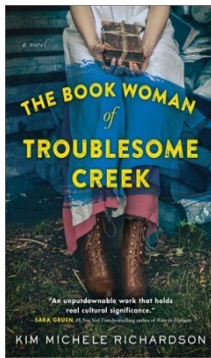
# SEPTEMBER PROGRAMS

## AFTERNOON BOOK CLUB

The 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**.

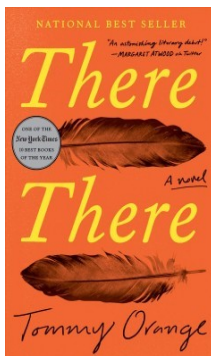
**Sept. 18th – *The Book Woman of Troublesome Creek* by Kim Michelle Richardson**

*A last-of-her-kind outcast and member of the Pack Horse Library Project braves hardships to bring books to her community.*



**Oct. 16th - *There There* by Tommy Orange**

*A novel which grapples with the complex history of Native Americans follows twelve characters, each of whom has private reasons for traveling to the Big Oakland Powwow.*



For more information, contact **Lisa Selje** by phone at **(262) 723-9140** or email at **lselje@elkhorn.lib.wi.us**



## NOT ENOUGH APOLOGIES: TRAUMA STORIES

Please join the library, in partnership with New Beginnings APFV and Wisconsin Public Television on **Tuesday, September 10th at 6:30pm** for a viewing of the documentary, ***Not Enough Apologies***, and a discussion of the effects of childhood trauma, and the techniques that are used to treat it.



Many Wisconsinites have experienced traumas in childhood, but their effects are not universal, nor are their burdens evenly distributed among the state's different communities. Depending on the individual, trauma can have a lifelong impact, affecting behavior, relationships and physical, emotional, and mental health. The documentary, *Not Enough Apologies* explores how adverse childhood experiences can result in changes to the brain, leading to cascading behavioral and mental health problems. Discover how service providers across Wisconsin are working to be responsive to trauma in efforts to change the trajectory for affected children.

Staff from New Beginnings will be on hand to discuss their observations on these important issues.

## RUMORS OF WAR: ELKHORN IN THE DAYS PRIOR TO WORLD WAR II

In September the library traditionally presents a program on the history of our community, and this year we'll be examining life in Elkhorn in the years leading up to America's entry into World War II on **Thursday, September 26th at 6:30pm**.



Elkhorn was little affected by the turbulent political developments of the 1930's, but ominous events like the Spanish Civil War, the forced union of Germany and Austria, the invasion of Czechoslovakia, and the declaration of war between the allied nations of Europe and Nazi Germany provided many discussions and debates on whether or not the United States should reenter a new worldwide conflict.

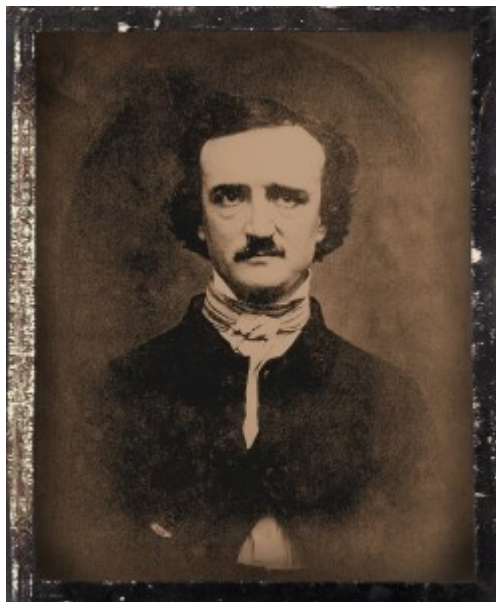
Using articles and editorials from the Elkhorn Independent, letters home from draftees, and vintage advertisements from local companies gearing up for rationing and rearmament, we will revisit the uncertain days leading up to the fateful attack on Pearl Harbor in December of 1941.

# OCTOBER PROGRAMS

## THE ESSENTIAL EDGAR ALLAN POE

Edgar Allan Poe, one of the greatest figures in American literature, specialized in tales of suspense and horror. On **Tuesday, October 1st at 6:30pm**, the Matheson Memorial Library will be paying tribute to him with a special program!

Brought to you by the Friends of the Matheson Memorial Library, The Essential Edgar Allan Poe features the talents of master illusionist, author, and storyteller William Pack. In The Essential Edgar Allan Poe, William exhumes the tragic life and remarkable writings of this American genius. This program relies heavily on dramatic storytelling and story readings that bring Poe's disturbing world to life.



## WHY OLD PLACES MATTER

The Matheson Memorial Library is pleased to welcome Black Pointe Estate in Lake Geneva for a special presentation.

On **Tuesday, October 22nd at 6:30pm**, Dave Desimone of Black Pointe Estate and the Wisconsin Historical Society will explore the reasons that old places matter to people. Although people often feel very deeply about the old places of their lives, they don't have the words to express why.



Desimone brings these ideas together in evocative language and with examples of local, regional and national "old places."

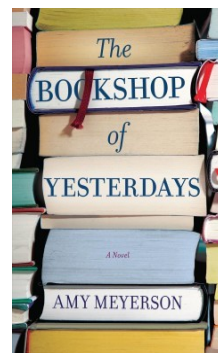
This program will be appealing to anyone who has ever loved an old place. But more importantly, it will be a useful resource to articulate why old places are meaningful to people and their communities. This interactive program will pique your interest and hopefully deepen your connection to the past.

## PAGE TURNERS EVENING BOOK CLUB

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

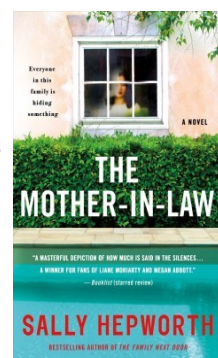
### Sept. 4th - *The Bookshop of Yesterdays* by Amy Meyerson

When Miranda Brooks receives the unexpected news that her Uncle Billy has died and left her his bookstore, she discovers he's left her a business teetering on bankruptcy and a final scavenger hunt.



### Oct. 2nd - *The Mother-In-Law* by Sally Hepworth

A woman's obsessive fears about how much she disappoints her successful, pillar-of-the-community mother-in-law leads to a controversial disinheritance and a suspicious suicide.



For more information, contact **Kelly Stech** by phone at **(262) 723-2678** or email at **kstech@elkhorn.lib.wi.us**





# FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

Matheson Memorial Library Fundraiser

# Trick-or-Trivia

The Monte Carlo Room

October 26, 2019

Doors open 6:00pm, Trivia begins 7:00pm

\$25 Ticket includes admission, tricky trivia and an all-you-can-eat Sperino's pizza buffet from 6:30-7:30pm. Cash bar available. Costumes are encouraged, but not required. Get all the details and register by credit card at:

[www.trickortrivia.com](http://www.trickortrivia.com)

Trivia services donated by Bob Kordus of *America's Pub Quiz*.

Individual Tickets \$25

Individuals will be assigned to a team

Business Sponsor \$100

Recognition at event and in the library newsletter

Reserve A Table of 8-10 For Your Own Scary-Smart Team!

Include payment as applicable: 8 guests (\$200), 9 guests (\$225), or 10 guests (\$250)

Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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Return form and contribution to:

Friends of Matheson Memorial Library  
101 North Wisconsin Street  
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**SOLD OUT** five years in a row, so sign up TODAY!

Questions?  
Contact Katie James:  
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