



**Library Closed:**

**Monday, January 2nd**

## Notes from the Director

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The holiday season has come and gone, and we hope all of you had a great time with family and friends. Thank you for all your generosity with our annual Giving Tree donation campaign; thanks to you we were able to fund some amazing materials and services that we'll put to good use in the coming year.

With the holidays past and long winter months ahead, this can be a hard time of year for many of us. However, we've planned lots of activities to shake you out of these winter doldrums. Our adult and youth services librarians have a full slate of programs that we'll sure you'll enjoy, not to mention our regular programs like our various Storytimes, Dungeons & Dragons, and all of our book discussion groups. Read on for more information on our programs, including how to get involved. We're definitely going to warm things up for you this winter!

In addition, drop by and check out our new book displays, and don't be shy about asking our staff for book recommendations...we're very good at helping you discover your next great read.

In addition, why not try out Tailored Titles, our book recommendation service? We've already made some great recommendations our patrons have told us they love, and our book specialists are standing by to do the same for you!

Our Friends of the Library group has also been very busy; not only with plans for the March BIG BOOK SALE, but with some exciting programs of their own, including some author visits, and a couple of very exciting Fun-raisers! Speaking of that, why not join the Friends yourself? It's a great way to support the library while having fun with some great people.

As always, please contact me with any questions or concerns about your library. Stay warm and keep reading!

# **BOOKOPOLY**

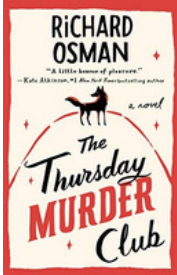
**Starts January 14th!**



**This exciting winter reading program for adults runs from January 14th through March 28th. You can read books to win gift cards!**

**Ask any reference desk staff for a copy of a reading log!**

# BOOK CLUBS



## PAGE TURNERS EVENING BOOK CLUB

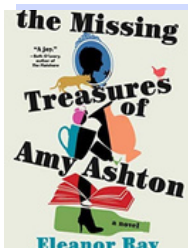
Meets on 1st Wednesday of the month at 6:30 PM

**Wednesday, January 4th - The Thursday Murder Club by Richard Osman**

In a peaceful retirement village, four unlikely friends meet up once a week to investigate unsolved murders. But when a brutal killing takes place on their very doorstep, the Thursday Murder Club find themselves in the middle of their first live case.

**Wednesday, February 1st - The Last Flight by Julie Clark**

Two women. Two flights. One last chance to disappear. For fans of Lisa Jewell and Liv Constantine, *The Last Flight* is the story of two women - both alone, both scared - and one agonizing decision that will change the trajectory of both of their lives.



## AFTERNOON BOOK CLUB

Meets on the 3rd Tuesday of the month at 2 PM

**Tuesday, January 17th - The Missing Treasures of Amy Ashton by Eleanor Ray**

This debut novel is about a reclusive artist whose collection has gotten out of control—but whose unexpected friendship with her new neighbors might be just what she needs to start over.

**Tuesday, February 21st - The Best of Me by Nicholas Sparks**

In the spring of 1984, high school students Amanda Collier and Dawson Cole fell deeply, irrevocably in love. But as the summer of their senior year came to a close, unforeseen events would tear the young couple apart, setting them on radically divergent paths.



## THE SHORT STORY BOOK CLUB

Meets on the 4th Tuesday of the month at 7 PM at Mama T's Italian Eatery

**Tuesday, January 24th - The Story of an Hour by Kate Chopin**

Kate Chopin sheds light on the frustrations, desires, and dreams of women from her own era and their reverberations today.

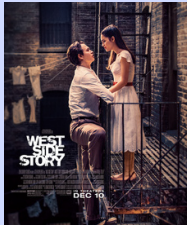
**Tuesday, February 28th - The New-Year Sacrifice by Lu Yun**

The New Year's Sacrifice story chronicles the distressing story of a woman who deals with difficult circumstances in her life and illustrates how it impacts those around her through the ensuing years.





# ADULT PROGRAMS



## MATINEES AT MATHESON: WEST SIDE STORY (2021)

**Friday, January 6th at 1:00 PM**

Join us for the first in a monthly movie series: Matinees at Matheson! This month, we will be watching the remake of the classic musical "West Side Story" with free popcorn and soda provided by the Friends of the Library! This movie is rated PG-13 for some strong violence, strong language, thematic content, suggestive material and brief smoking.

## COOKING WITH THE COMMUNITY: COFFEE BREWING WITH LAURIE KYLE

**Saturday, January 21st at 10 AM**

Beat the cold with some hot coffee! Laurie Kyle, owner of Perkup Elkhorn, will be talking about how she started her business and demonstrating different methods of preparing coffee, with free samples of course!



## MATINEES AT MATHESON: PRIDE & PREJUDICE (2005)

**Friday, February 3rd at 1 PM**

Start your February right with a romantic movie! This month, the library will show the movie Pride & Prejudice with free popcorn and soda provided by the Friends of the Library! This movie is rated PG for some mild thematic elements.

## BIZARRE HISTORY WITH CHAD LEWIS

**Saturday, February 11th at 11 AM**

This presentation showcases over 100 bizarre newspaper stories from Wisconsin that have not been seen in over 100 years. This program provides a time portal back to the early days of the state when it was filled with strange deaths, ghosts, sea serpents, peculiar people, medical anomalies, oddities, psychic phenomena, and UFOs.



## MOURNING DAYZE: ROCKIN' SINCE 1965

**Saturday, February 18th at 10 AM**

Matheson Memorial is proud to welcome members of one of the oldest garage bands in Wisconsin, Mourning Dayze! This Friends of the Library sponsored event will have two members of the band talk about their history with the group and give an acoustic performance!



## DARK SKIES WITH GENEVA LAKE ASTRONOMICAL SOCIETY

**Thursday, February 23rd at 6 PM**

Light pollution is a growing problem even beyond urban areas. Luckily this issue can be combated with proper lighting that also provides additional benefits. Hear from GLAS Education about what these effects are and how you can help!

**FOR MORE VISIT: [ELKHORN.LIB.WI.US](http://ELKHORN.LIB.WI.US)**

# TEEN PROGRAMS

## ALL AGES DUNGEONS & DRAGONS

**Mondays & Wednesdays at 6:30 PM**

**Mondays:** Jan. 23, Feb. 20, Mar. 20, Apr. 17, & May 15

**Wednesdays:** Jan. 11, Feb. 8, 22, Mar. 8, 22, Apr. 5, 26, May 10, & 17



## TEEN ADVISORY BOARD (TAB)

**Fridays from 4-5 PM: Jan. 13, Feb. 3, Mar. 3, 17, Apr. 14, May 12 & 26**

Join TAB to plan and run programs for both high school and middle school.

Contact Jessica Dowling (jdowling@elkhorn.lib.wi.us) for more information.

## TEEN WINTER CRAFTER-NOON

**Friday, Jan. 20 at 4 PM**

Middle school and high school students are invited to come to the library and destress with crafts!



## PROJECT EXPLORE

**Wednesdays from 3:30-5:30 PM: Jan. 25, Feb. 1 & 15, Mar. 1 & 15, Apr. 12, & May 3**

Bring your friends for an hour of all things anime! For middle & high school students.

## KIDS MAKE IT! LET'S SEW

**Fridays from 3:30-5:30 PM: Jan. 27, Feb. 10, Mar. 3, 10, 17, 24, & May 12**

Kids and teens are invited to drop in between 3:30 and 5:30 and learn or improve their sewing skills.



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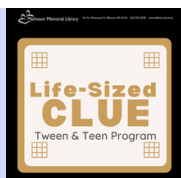
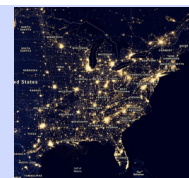
**Tuesdays from 4-5 PM: Feb. 7, 21, Mar. 7, 21, Apr. 4, 18, & May 2**

Bring your friends for an hour of all things anime! For middle & high school students.

## DARK SKIES WITH GLAS

**Thursday, Feb. 23 at 6 PM**

Learn about light pollution with the Geneva Lake Astronomical Society!



## LIFE-SIZED CLUE

**Friday, Feb. 24 at 4 PM**

Can you solve the mystery? Middle school & high school students are invited to play Life-Sized Clue at the library.

# KID'S PROGRAMS

## BOOKANEERS BOOK CLUB

**Thursdays at 4:30 PM:** Jan. 5, Feb. 2, Mar. 2, Apr. 6, & May 4

**Late Bookaneers Thursdays at 6 PM:** Feb. 23, Mar. 16, Apr. 20, & May 18

Become a Bookaneer and get started on an exciting journey into the world of reading!



## FACT FINDERS BOOK CLUB

**Thursdays at 5 PM, Jan. 12, Feb. 16, Mar. 9, Apr. 13, & May 11**

Do you love facts? Join our nonfiction book club and become an expert!



## LIFE-SIZE CANDYLAND

**Saturday, Jan. 14 from 9-2 PM & Monday, Jan. 16 from 9-12 PM**

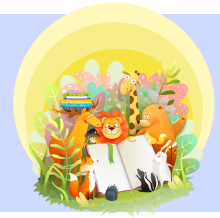
Come to the library to play a giant game of Candyland!

## FAMILY STORYTIME WITH MISS ESTHER

**Tuesdays and Thursdays at 9:30 AM**

**Tuesdays:** Jan. 17, 24, 31, Feb. 7, 14, 21, 28, Mar. 7, 14, 21, & 28

**Thursdays:** Jan. 19, 26, Feb. 2, 9, 16, 23, Mar. 2, 9, 16, 23, & 30



## WINTER WIGGLERS

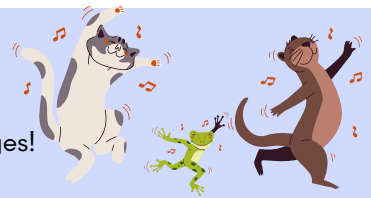
**Wednesdays at 10 AM: Jan. 18, 25, Feb. 1, 8, 15, & 22**

Get out your winter wiggles in a fun, interactive program for all ages!

## I LIKE TO MOVE IT!

**Fridays at 10 AM: Jan. 20, Feb. 24, Mar. 10, & Apr. 14**

Get moving with Miss Esther! Children of all ages are welcome. for all ages!



## LET OFF STEAM! THE SCIENCE OF SNOW

**Monday, Jan. 23 at 10 AM**

Bring the whole family to discover the magic and wonder of winter science!

## PAWS TO READ

**Mondays at 4:15 PM, Jan. 23, 30, Feb. 6, 13, 20, & 27**

Drop by the library and read with a furry friend from Lakeland Animal Shelter.



# KID'S PROGRAMS



## POKEMON CLUB

**Tuesdays from 4-5 PM: Jan. 24, 31, Feb. 14, 28, Mar. 14, 28, Apr. 11, 25, May 9, & 23**

Catch all the Pokemon fun at the library!

## PROJECT EXPLORE

**Wednesdays from 3:30-5:30 PM: Jan. 25, Feb. 1 & 15, Mar. 1 & 15, Apr. 12, & May 3**

Do you like to make things? Kids and Teens are invited to drop by our pop-up Makerspace in the Storyroom.



## RESILIENCE BOOK CLUB

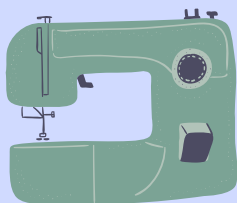
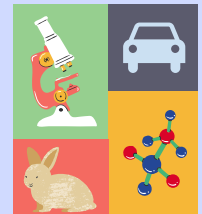
**Wednesday at 6 PM: Jan. 25, Feb. 22, Mar. 22, Apr. 26, & May 24**

Register online at [elkhorn.lib.wi.us](http://elkhorn.lib.wi.us) to join the monthly Resilience Book Club at the Matheson Memorial Library, led by Senta Holmes, the Community Resiliency Outreach Coordinator for the Elkhorn School District!

## EARLY LITERACY NIGHT: EXPLORE NONFICTION

**Thursday, Jan. 26 from 6:30-7:30 PM**

Join Miss Esther of Parent Connections and the staff of Elkhorn's 4K schools for a night of nonfiction fun!



## KIDS MAKE IT! LET'S SEW

**Fridays from 3:30-5:30 PM: Jan. 27, Feb. 10, Mar. 3, 10, 17, 24, & May 12**

Kids and teens are invited to drop in between 3:30 and 5:30 and learn or improve their sewing skills

## ART WITH HEART

**Saturday, Feb. 4 at 10 AM**

Put some heart into your art with an all-ages art extravaganza! Be prepared to get messy and be creative!



## LET OFF STEAM! CANDY SCIENCE

**Thursday, Feb. 9 from 6-7:30 PM**

Get Curious About Candy! Get ready to melt, mash, and mix as we sample candy science.

# Notes from the Friends of the Library



**The Friends of Matheson Memorial Library had a successful year and look forward to an even more active year in 2023! We had two of each: “Fill a Bag” Book Sale, Brat Hut days at Frank’s Piggly Wiggly, and another very successful Trick or Trivia event. The Book Store in the library continues to provide reading opportunities for our community. These events allowed us to provide new carpeting for the stairs and new flooring for the story room. The most recent event found Friends providing cookies and hot chocolate to Christmas parade goers.**

**January brings new opportunities for participation and fun. Matinees at Matheson’s first movie, on January 6, will be the latest version of West Side Story, and will feature a popcorn bar provided by the Friends. February 18 will bring a visit by Mourning Dayze, a garage band portrayed in a related book. The next “Fill a Bag” Book Sale is scheduled for March. Your help and your baked goods will be most welcome as we move to the previous, much-loved combination book and bake sale!**

**Information will be coming about a special trip and a dinner theater. Please join us at our meeting on February 22 at 6:30 in the Community Center to learn the details! Child care will be provided if you contact the library in advance.**