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NEWSLETTER

Library Closed:

- Monday, September 4th
- Friday, October 20th

SEPTEMBER-OCTOBER 2023

SPECIAL THANKS

THANKS TO THE LOCAL BUSINESSES THAT MADE OUR SUMMER READING PROGRAM POSSIBLE!

One of the things that makes Matheson Memorial Library's Adult Summer Reading program such a big success are its prize drawings, and that wouldn't be possible without prizes generously donated from the following local businesses:

- Apple Barn
- The Chicago Bears
- Dalee Water
- Duesterbeck's Brewing Company
- The Elkhorn Independent
- Functional Fitness
- Green Bay Packers
- The Janesville Jets
- Lake Geneva Cruise Line
- Lyle's TV & Appliances
- Milwaukee Admirals
- Milwaukee Art Museum

- Milwaukee Brewers
- Milwaukee Zoo
- Moy's Restaurant
- Staller Estate Winery

In addition, the following businesses and organizations helped with our wildlife-spotting scavenger hunt!

- Driven Nutrition
- Elkhorn Chamber of Commerce
- Friends on the Square
- J. Roberts Menswear
- Jackson's Hardware
- Kullberg Jewelers
- Lyle's Appliances
- Someplace Else

BOOK CLUBS

PAGE TURNERS EVENING BOOK CLUB

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



Wednesday, September 6th: *Demon Copperhead* by Barbara Kingsolver

Set in the mountains of southern Appalachia, *Demon Copperhead* is the story of a boy born to a teenaged single mother in a single-wide trailer, with no assets beyond his dead father's good looks and copper-colored hair, a caustic wit, and a fierce talent for survival.



Wednesday, October 4th: *Just the Nicest Couple* by Mary Kubica

A husband's disappearance links two couples in this twisty thriller from the New York Times bestselling author of *Local Woman Missing*, Mary Kubica. This novel is a dark and twisted exploration of loyalty, family, and how far we'll go to protect the ones we love.

AFTERNOON BOOK CLUB

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



Tuesday, September 19th: *The Personal Librarian* by Marie Benedict and Victoria Christopher Murray

A remarkable novel about J. P. Morgan's personal librarian, Belle da Costa Greene, the African American woman who was forced to hide her true identity and pass as white in order to leave a lasting legacy that enriched our nation.



Tuesday, October 17th: *All the Dangerous Things* by Stacy Willingham

Following up her instant New York Times bestseller, *A Flicker in the Dark*, Stacy Willingham delivers a totally gripping thriller about a desperate mother with a troubled past in *All the Dangerous Things*.

THE SHORT STORY BOOK CLUB

Meets on the 4th Tuesday of the month at 7 PM in the Friends Meeting Room



Tuesday, September 26th: *The Damned Thing* by Ambrose Bierce

The Damned Thing is a short story of an inquest into a strange death possibly caused by mysterious natural forces.

Tuesday, October 24th: *Ghost Hunt* by H.R. Wakefield, and *At Lorn Hall* by Ramsey Campbell



Ghost Hunt: A radio host joined by a paranormal investigator broadcasts a live ghost hunt in a house in London where the investigation proves all-too successful.

At Lorn Hall: A man enters an old house to escape a thunderstorm and finds a mysterious set of headphones, which give him a guided tour he will never forget.

ADULT PROGRAMS



MATINEES AT MATHESON

First Friday of every month: September 1st and October 6th at 1:00 PM

We will be continuing our monthly movie series with the whodunit movie *Murder on the Orient Express* on Friday, September 1st at 1:00 PM, and the sci-fi/horror classic *Alien* on Friday, October 6th at 1:00 PM. Free popcorn and soda provided by the Friends of the Library!

MEDITATION WITH MELANIE

Every Tuesday at 12 PM in the Friends Room

Meditation is a universal practice that can help with stress reduction and management, focus, increased self-awareness, patience, tolerance, and restoring calm and inner peace among many other benefits. All are welcome whether you are new to meditation and want to find out more or already have a practice.



TABLETOP ROLEPLAYING FOR GROWN-UPS

**Wednesday, September 20th and October 18th from 6 - 8 PM
and Saturday, September 23rd and October 21st from 9 AM - 12 PM**

Join us on one Wednesday and Saturday per month for Adult Roleplaying Games! No prior experience, dice, or character sheets required - just be ready for fun! We are running special horror-themed games in October!

BACK TO THE FUTURE 1989 Thursday, September 14th at 6:30 PM

1989 was a turning point in political history, and the world would never be the same. Join Dave Desimone from the Black Point Estate & Gardens for this informative lecture about a tumultuous time in our history.



UNEXPECTEDLY AGATHA

Friday, September 15th at 10 AM

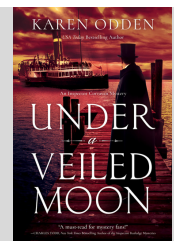
Local historian and actress Chris Brookes brings Agatha Christie, one of the most successful mystery writers of the 20th century, back to life! This program is presented by Black Point Estate & Gardens.



AUTHOR VISIT - KAREN ODDEN

Tuesday, September 19th at 6 PM

Karen Odden, author of acclaimed Victorian mystery *Under a Veiled Moon*, visits our library! Her novel centers on the 1878 Princess Alice crash, and the subsequent sensational media storm. The author will also share an illuminating discussion about how historical fiction can help us understand our world today.



ADULT PROGRAMS



REIKI HEALING

Thursday, September 21st at 6:30 PM

Join Joy (Reiki Practitioner) and Halyn (Sound Healer) as they take you on a journey inward to opening up your heart and mind to a different way of healing the body. If you'd like to bring a yoga mat, pillow or blanket you may, but chairs will be provided. Space is very limited, please register online or by calling (262) 723-2678.

AUTHOR VISIT - CHRISTINA CLANCY

Friday, September 29th at 5:30 PM

Christina Clancy, best-selling author of *Shoulder Season* and *The Second Home* will talk about her life experiences that led to her writing career. Copies of her books will be available for purchase and signing. The Friends Book and Bake Sale will offer extended hours on Friday after the event! This event is brought to you by the Friends of Matheson Memorial Library.



DARK SKIES WITH GLAS

Tuesday, October 3rd at 6:30 PM

Light pollution is a growing problem; not only are we losing our night sky, but we are affecting our health, the environment and wildlife. Hear from GLAS Education about what these effects are and how you can help!

CHAD LEWIS PRESENTS: WISCONSIN'S MOST HAUNTED LOCATIONS

Saturday, October 14th at 11 AM

Paranormal researcher Chad Lewis takes you on a ghostly journey to some of the most haunted places in the state. From phantom creatures prowling the woods to graveyard apparitions located in your own backyard, no place in WI is without its own hauntings!



BARDS & BOOKWYRMS GAMING CONVENTION

Sunday, October 15th from 1 PM - 6 PM

We're celebrating the legacy of D&D at Horticultural Hall in Lake Geneva with an afternoon of fun! No prior experience needed - just be ready to roll some dice and have an awesome time!

THE VICTORIAN UNDERTAKER

Thursday, October 26th at 6 PM

Steve Person is a retired funeral director and will discuss many of the Victorian funeral and mourning customs as well as share with us mortuary and embalming equipment from the era in this fascinating program!



TEEN PROGRAMS

DUNGEONS AND DRAGONS

Mondays at 6:30 PM: Sep. 25, Oct. 23, & Nov. 27

Get your dice and come join in the classic game of Dungeons and Dragons!

Kids younger than 8 must have an adult with them.

ALL AGES

**DUNGEONS
& DRAGONS**

TEEN FANDOM

CLUB!!!

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Tuesdays from 4-5 PM: Oct. 3, 24, & Nov. 7

Meet friends, hang out, and celebrate your favorite fandoms!

PROJECT EXPLORE

Wednesdays from 3:30-5:30 PM: Sep. 20, Oct. 4, & Nov. 8

Do you like to make things? Families, kids, and teens are invited to drop by our pop-up Makerspace in the Storyroom.



FAMILY CRAFT NIGHT

Wednesdays from 6:30-7:30 PM: Sep. 27, Oct. 18, Nov. 15, & 29

Bring your friends and family and enjoy an evening of crafting!

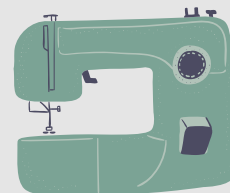
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KIDS MAKE IT! SEWING

Thursdays from 3:30-5:30 PM: Sep. 28, Oct. 19, & Nov. 9

Kids and teens are invited to drop in to learn and practice sewing skills.



TEEN
ADVISORY
BOARD

TEEN ADVISORY BOARD (TAB)

Fridays from 4-5 PM: Sep. 15, 22, Oct. 6, Nov. 3, 17, Dec. 1, & 15

Need volunteer hours? Want scholarship opportunities?

Join TAB to create fun programs for tweens & teens at the library!

TEENS AFTER HOURS: BEAST EDITION

Monday, October 30 at 6:30 PM

Get scared with the film "A Quiet Place" and then play Ghost in the Graveyard in the library!

TEENS
AFTER
HOURS

KID'S EVENTS



PAWS TO READ

Mondays at 4:15 PM : Sep. 11, 18, 25, Oct. 2, 9, 16, & 23

Join some special furry friends and volunteers from the Lakeland Animal Shelter. All ages are welcome to interact and play, listen to stories, and read to the animals. Live animals will be present and confined to the Storyroom.

HOMESCHOOL HANGOUT

Mondays from 1 - 3 PM: Sep. 25 & Oct. 23

Homeschool families are invited to a casual drop-in program.



ITTY-BITTY BOPPIN' BAKERS

Monday at 10 am: October 9

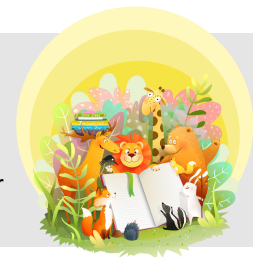
Get boppin' with Miss Esther and bakin' with the chefs from Seeds of Hope!

FAMILY STORYTIME

Tuesdays at 9:30 am: Sep. 12, 19, 26, Oct. 3, 10, 17, 24, & 31

Thursdays at 9:30 am: Sep. 14, 21, 28, Oct. 5, 12, & 19

Children of all ages are invited, from babies to movers and groovers, to join Miss Esther for songs, stories, and more!



POKEMON CLUB

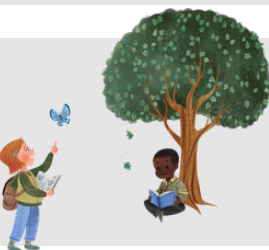
Tuesdays from 4-5 PM: Sep. 12 & Oct. 10

Bring your friends for an hour of crafts, cards, and movies in the Community Room. Kids are welcome to bring their own cards to play or share, but staff cannot supervise trading.

KIDS FANDOM CLUB

Tuesday from 4-5 PM: September 26

Meet friends, make crafts, and celebrate your favorite fandoms!



WE EXPLORE NATURE

Wednesdays at 10 am: Sep. 13, 20, 27, Oct. 4, 11, & 18

Explore the natural world through stories and hands-on activities.

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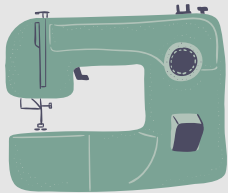
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FACT FINDERS

Thursdays at 5 PM: Sep. 14 & Oct. 5

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



KIDS MAKE IT! SEWING

Thursdays from 3:30-5:30 PM: Sep. 28 & Oct. 19

Kids and teens are invited to drop in to learn and practice sewing skills.

BEASTLY PUPPETS

Monday, October 30 from 10-11 am

Create your own friendly beast puppet and put on a show!



BUILD-A-MONSTER

Monday, October 30 from 3:30-5:30 PM

Silly, scary, or just plain fun, can you build a truly monstrous creation?

MEET A MINI-BEAST

Monday, October 30 from (time TBA)

Join the Lakeland Animal Shelter in meeting and greeting some real-life mini beasts who are looking for a loving home.



Matheson Memorial Library Fundraiser

Trick-or-Trivia

at Camp Lutherdale

October 28, 2023

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

REGISTRATION
BEGINS
SEPTEMBER 5TH!

\$300 Table includes admission for eight players, tricky trivia and buffet dinner for guests. Cash bar available. Costumes are encouraged, but not required.

Get all the details and register by credit card at:

www.trickortrivia.com

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

Table of 8 Players \$300
Assemble your scary-smart team!

Business Sponsor \$100
Recognition at event and in the library newsletter

Contact Name: _____

Business/Team Name: _____

Phone & Email: _____

Return form and contribution to:

Friends of Matheson Memorial Library
101 North Wisconsin Street
Elkhorn, WI 53121

SOLD OUT eight years in a row, so sign up TODAY!

Questions?
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