

VOL 16 ISSUE 4



NEWSLETTER

Library Closed:

Monday, September 1st

Friday, October 17th

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NOTES FROM THE DIRECTOR

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It's always sad when summer is over; I hope you had a great one filled with sun, fun, and maybe some vacation reading. However, Fall is also a magical season, and here's to wishing for crisp days, beautiful autumnal colors, and enjoying a book during a cold evening.

Things are very different this fall at the library, and our renovation project is in full swing. While we're still open, you'll notice some big changes on your visits. For one thing, the upstairs level is now fully under construction...we're hoping this will be completed by late October, and then we'll welcome in our new Youth Services Department! The other phases of the project will cover different areas of the library, so there will be some disruptions, but we'll do our best to preserve at least partial access to your library throughout. Thank you in advance for your patience!

We also could use your help. We will need to move books at least two more times during the project. We'll announce the dates as soon as we know when they're happening, but please consider helping out, and please help us spread the word!

We are still planning events throughout the fall and winter, so keep an eye on our online calendar. We will be at different locations, especially at the Recreation Department (thanks Rec. Department!), so make sure you're heading to the right place! Besides the calendar, we use our Facebook page for events, news, and everything in between. Please consider liking and following us.

I hope you have a wonderful fall and winter, and that you have lots of exciting events planned during these cold days. Please keep reading, and if you're at a loss on finding a good book, let us know and we'll do our best to introduce you to a read you'll love. Thanks again for your patience during our renovation, and we can't wait to show you your new library when all the dust settles!

BOOK CLUBS

PAGE TURNERS EVENING BOOK CLUB

Meets 1st Wednesday of the month at 6:30 PM in the Teen Area of the Library



Wednesday, September 3rd: *Sisters Under the Rising Sun* by Heather Morris

Sisters under the Rising Sun is a story of women in war: a novel of sisterhood, bravery and friendship in the darkest of circumstances.



Wednesday, October 1st: *The Book Club for Troublesome Women* by Marie Bostwick

Four dissatisfied sixties-era housewives form a book club turned sisterhood that will hold fast amid the turmoil of a rapidly changing world and alter the course of each of their lives.

AFTERNOON BOOK CLUB

Meets 3rd Tuesday of the month at 2 PM at the Teen Area of the Library



Tuesday, September 16th: *Shelterwood* by Lisa Wingate

A sweeping novel inspired by the untold history of women pioneers who fought to protect children caught in the storm of land barons hungry for power and oil wealth.



Tuesday, October 21st: *The Silence in Her Eyes* by Armando Lucas Correa

A bold and suspenseful psychological thriller about a young woman with a rare neurological condition who is convinced her neighbor is going to be murdered.

THE SHORT STORY BOOK CLUB

Meets on the 4th Tuesday of the month at 7 PM at The Bunker Grill
N6246 Hwy 12/67 in Elkhorn (located at Evergreen Country Club)



Tuesday, September 23rd: *How Fear Departed the Long Gallery* by E.F. Benson

How Fear Departed the Long Gallery is the story of the Peveril family, who live in a house haunted by various ghosts, including two toddlers who appear in the Long Gallery.



Tuesday, October 28th: *One for the Road* by Stephen King

This story follows Booth, an elderly resident of a town near Jerusalem's Lot, who recounts a harrowing experience from his past.

ADULT PROGRAMS

Note: due to upcoming renovations, all Adult Services programs will be at Sunset Park (200 Devendorf St, Elkhorn, WI 53121)



MATINEES AT MATHESON: FARGO (1996)

Friday, September 5th at 1:00 PM at Sunset Park

September's matinee movie is the Coen brothers' crime movie *Fargo*! Free popcorn, soda and candy provided by the Friends of the Library!

MEDITATION WITH MELANIE

Every Wednesday at Noon at Sunset Park

Meditation can help with stress reduction, self-awareness, patience, 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.



MATINEES AT MATHESON: THE BIRDS (1963)

Friday, October 3rd at 1:00 PM at Sunset Park

Enjoy a suspense classic just in time for Halloween with Alfred Hitchcock's *The Birds*! Free popcorn, soda and candy provided by the Friends of the Library.

FAMILY EVENTS



PAWS TO READ

Weekly on Mondays from 4-4:45 PM:

Sept. 8, 22, 29, Oct. 6, 13, Nov. 3, 10, & 17

Drop by the library for storytime with a furry friend from Lakeland Animal Shelter.

FAMILY STORYTIME WITH MS. ANDREA

Tuesdays at 9:30 AM: Sept. 9 & 16

Thursdays at 9:30 AM: Sept. 11 & 18

Children of all ages are invited to join Ms. Andrea for songs, stories, and more!



FAMILY STORYTIME WITH MS. ESTHER

Weekly on Tuesdays at 9:30 AM:

Sept. 23, 30, Oct. 7, 14, 28, Nov. 4, 11, & 18

Weekly on Thursdays at 9:30 AM:

Sept. 25, Oct. 2, 9, 16, 30, Nov. 6, 13, & 20

Meet and connect with other families of all shapes and sizes in our community as your little ones join Miss Esther for stories and fun!



FAMILY EVENTS



POKEMON HANGOUT

Thursdays from 3:30-5:30 PM:

Sept. 11, 25, Oct. 9, Nov. 6, & 20

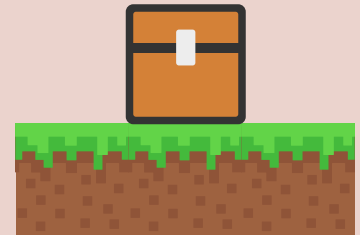
Catch all the Pokémon fun at the library!

MINECRAFT HANGOUT

Thursdays from 3:30-5:30 PM:

Sept. 18, Oct. 2, 16, Nov. 13

Build the possibilities at the library!



WIGGLES AND WORDS STORYTIME WITH MS. ANDREA

Weekly on Fridays at 10 AM:

Sept. 12, 19, 26, Oct. 3, 10, Nov. 7, 14, 21

Children of all ages are invited to join Ms. Andrea for songs, stories, and more!

TEEN ADVISORY BOARD

Fridays from 3:30-4:30 PM: Sept. 5 & Nov. 7

Join TAB and make a difference in YOUR library!



Flexible Facilities Grant

We're thrilled to have been selected out of the many applications in Wisconsin. A big thank you to the City of Elkhorn for supporting our application, and to the Wisconsin Department of Administration for selecting us.

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TRADING SPACES

The Youth & Adult areas are switching!

- Upstairs will be the new Youth Area, including a Young Adult room and program spaces.
- Downstairs will be the Adult Fiction, Non-Fiction, Local History, Computers, Audio Books, CDs, and DVDs.

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MOVING SPACES

- New Mary Bray Room (Tech Services)
- New Friends Room (Fireplace area)
- Friends Book Store (Lobby)
- Storyroom (Old Audio book room)

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STUDY ROOMS

- Three upstairs for families.
- Eight downstairs of various sizes.

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NEW SPACES

- New Adult Lounge
- Telehealth room
- Youth Maker Space
- Youth Activity Room

What is this grant about?

The primary objective of the Flexible Facilities Grant is to support projects that provide new, renovated, or expanded facilities and digital connectivity equipment, enabling remote access to work, education, and health monitoring activities.

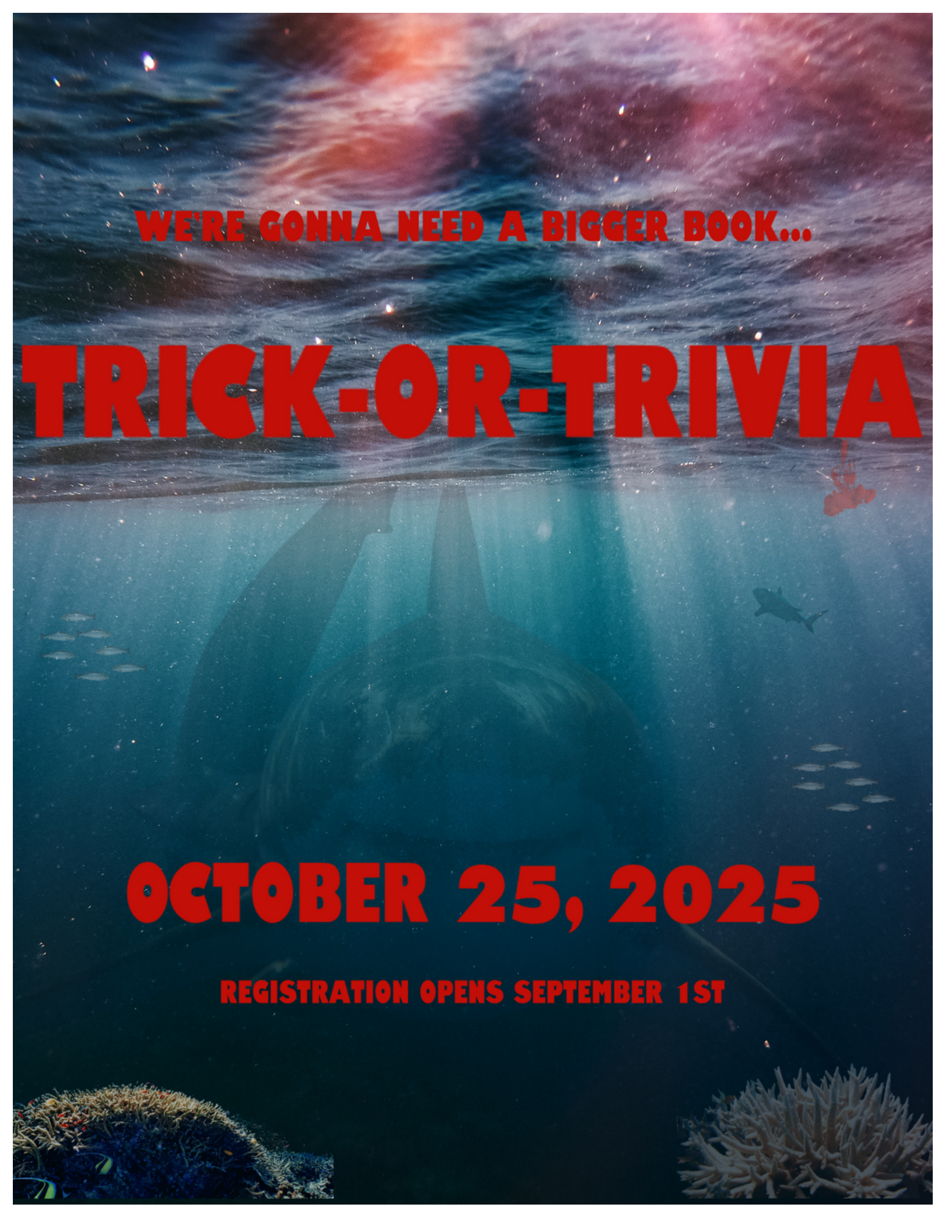
Partnerships!

We're looking forward to increasing our partnerships with community organizations, including the Open Arms Free Clinic & the Walworth County Literacy Council.

- Open Arms Free Clinic offers comprehensive primary medical, dental, behavioral health, laboratory, and medication services at no cost to qualifying residents.
- The Walworth County Literacy Council educates and partners with adult learners to reach their literacy goals, thereby empowering themselves, their families and their communities.

Posters & Displays in the library!

Posters & displays are distributed throughout the library explaining the relocation of various collections.

An underwater scene featuring a large, dark shark swimming towards the viewer. The water is a deep blue-green, and sunlight rays filter down from the surface. In the background, a small red boat is visible. In the foreground, there are two coral reefs: one on the bottom left with some small fish, and one on the bottom right.

WE'RE GONNA NEED A BIGGER BOOK...

TRICK-OR-TRIVIA

OCTOBER 25, 2025

REGISTRATION OPENS SEPTEMBER 1ST

Notes from the Friends of the Library

Happy Fall, and a heartfelt thank you to all volunteers at the summer fundraisers!

Successful people use one common word – yes. They say yes to opportunities, activities, events, etc. Thank you to all those people who said yes to helping with the two Brat Hut days on July 19th and August 17th. Thank you Sally for signing up the Friends for these two days. Thanks to all who purchased food from the Brat Hut on those days.

Also, thank you to all of you who said yes to organizing, baking, and selling at the Bake Sale on August 15th, and thanks to all who bought the baked goods.

Events for September

- **Fundraiser: Tuesday, September 16 is Culver's Community Night from 5-8 PM. Say yes to volunteer to serve customers that come to the restaurant and clear tables. Come between 5-8 PM to eat to support the Friends.**

Events for October

- **The regular general meeting is scheduled for October 22nd at the Chamber of Commerce (Uncle Hunk's Junk) at 6:30 PM. Note the location change due to the Library Renovation Project.**
- **Fundraiser: Trick or Trivia will be Saturday, October 25th starting at 6 PM at Todd Venue on Highway H past Gateway. Consider saying yes to help that evening.**

Future Events

- **There are no scheduled events for November because of the Library Renovation Project. Happy Thanksgiving!**
- **The regular general meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, December 16th at 6:30 PM There will be a cookie exchange starting at 6 PM for those who wish to share their favorite Holiday Cookies.**