

Kraemer Library Newsletter

September 2023

Library Calendar



SEPTEMBER

to care for his two daughters. With his youngest critically ill and waiting for a liver transplant, the fierce woman single-handedly rallies an entire community to help. A light lunch from Block 23 will be served.

Tuesday, **September 10**, 6-7:30 pm. Friends of the Library Meet & Greet – additional details below.

Thursday, **September 12**, 11:30 am – Mid-morning matinee resumes at 11:30 am. The movie will be “Ordinary Angels,” A struggling hairdresser finds a renewed sense of purpose when she meets a widowed father working hard



The Page Turners book group will meet on Tuesday, **September 17** at 1 pm to discuss *Hello Beautiful* by Ann Napolitano. The discussion for the October 15 meeting will feature *Finding Dorothy*, by Elizabeth Letts. For meeting information and location, contact the library.

Afternoon Family Storytime – The fall afternoon storytime will take place on Tuesdays from September 17 through December 17 at 4:00 pm



Wednesday, **September 18**, 1-3 pm. A representative of the ADRC (Aging and Disability Resource Center) visits the library every third Wednesday to discuss issues related to Medicare and Social Security. No appointments are necessary – first-come, first serve.

The Tech Drop-In Session at Kraemer Library will be Thursday, **September 26** and October 24 from 2-4 pm. Feel free to drop by to discuss tech-related questions.



The library will be **CLOSED** from Thursday, **October 3** through Monday, **October 7** due to staffing issues. We will be open Saturday, October 5 from 10-2pm

Friday, **October 18** & Saturday, **October 19** – Pies, Pages, and Puzzles – Community Room – additional details below.



Summer Reading & Children's Program Wrap-up



I would like to thank everyone who participated in the Summer Library Program and made it another successful year. We held 45 programs with 844 people in attendance. 76 kids, 5 teens, and 11 adults signed up for the summer library program. The kids read 93,450 minutes, and the adults and teens read 90 books. I would also like to thank the Friends of the Library for sponsoring the three performing groups we had this year.

Friends of the Library

MEET & GREET, SEPTEMBER 10

Are you passionate about sustaining your local library? If so, then this may be the opportunity for you.

The Friends of the Kraemer Library and Community Center (FOKL) are looking for enthusiastic community members to join our board members in future events to support the library. The FOKL, a nonprofit organization formed in 2002, was organized for charitable and educational purposes to support and sustain the operations and activities of Kraemer Library.



The board meets four times a year, with the Pies, Pages, and Puzzles event held in October as our main fundraiser. Current board members are Nicole Feiner, President; Shelby Cox, Vice President; Kathy Dwyer, Treasurer; along with Jenna Alt and Jennifer Kraemer.



A **Meet & Greet** will be held on Tuesday, September 10 from 6:30 to 7:30 pm to allow community members to learn more about the FOKL organization. The board members will be available to discuss the organization, fundraising events, and volunteer opportunities. Refreshments will be provided. All are welcome to attend.

PIES, PAGES, & PUZZLES, OCTOBER 18 AND 19



The Pies, Pages, & Puzzles event will be held on Friday, October 18 and Saturday, October 19 from 9 am to 3 pm. Pies will be \$12, fill a tote bag of books, audiobooks, and DVDs for \$5, and jigsaw puzzles will be \$3 each or 2 for \$5.

Donations of pies would be greatly appreciated and can be dropped off either day. A sign-up sheet will be available at the library or through the Sign-up Genius email reminders.

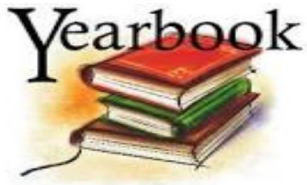
The library continues to accept donations of books, DVDs, and jigsaw puzzles for the event. Guidelines – no manuals, almanacs, or encyclopedias / or items published before the year 2000.

Library News

September Art Exhibit– Mary Frances Nachreiner took up painting in the late 1970s, starting with oils. After a break to raise a family, she renewed her artistic efforts with help from an inspirational teacher, a retired University of Wisconsin professor who always saw something to paint. For the past decade, Mary Frances has focused on watercolors, and has studied with instructors in a variety of locations across the Midwest and Florida. Her favorite subjects are birds, animals, and nature, and she is aspiring to portraits soon. Other showings have included the Reedsburg Hospital and a studio in Gulf Shores, FL. Mary Frances is a member of the Southwest Wisconsin Watercolor Society and resides in Reedsburg WI.



September Book Exhibit– The September exhibit will focus on Back to School.



River Valley HS Yearbooks – The library maintains a collection of River Valley High School annual yearbooks, but the following years are missing: 1972 through 1983, 1987 and 1988, and 1992-1996. Patrons willing to donate a yearbook for one of the missing years are welcome to

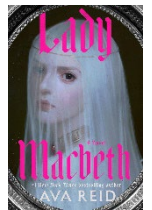
drop it off at the library.



Long-Range Planning – The library is beginning an effort to establish goals for 2024-29. Feel free to offer suggestions for the library's long-term goals.

Upcoming Area Events

Arcadia Book Club – Wednesday, September 18, 6-7 pm. The group will discuss *Lady MacBeth* by Ava Reid. Reservations for the Zoom discussion can be made on Arcadia's website.



Spring Green Community Library – Wednesday, October 2, 6 pm in the Spring Green Community Library Community Room. The library and Arcadia Books hosts Tim Cullen, a former Wisconsin senator, who will discuss his book, *Wisconsin Gerrymandering: The Fight for Permanent Fair Maps and Why It Matters*.

Book Recommendation



Sipsworth, Simon Van Booy – 220 pages [from book jacket] – Over the course of two weeks in a small English town, a reclusive widow discovers an unexpected reason to live.

Following the loss of her husband and son, Helen Cartwright returns to the village of her childhood after living abroad for six decades. Her only wish is to die quickly and without fuss. She retreats into her home on Westminster Crescent, becoming a creature of routine and habit. Each day was an impersonation of the one before with only a slight shuffle: as though even for death there is a queue

Then, one cold winter night, a chance encounter with a mouse sets Helen on a surprising journey.

Sipsworth is a reminder that there can be second chances. No matter what we have planned for ourselves, sometimes life has plans of its own. With profound compassion, Simon Van Booy illuminates not only a deep

friendship forged between two lonely creatures, but the reverberations of goodness that ripple out from that unique bond.

Recent Arrivals

Fiction

The Forgotten Garden, Kate Morton

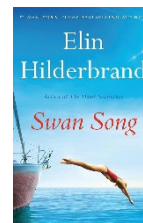
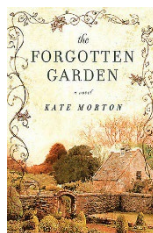
Void Moon, Michael Connelly

The Concrete Blonde, Michael Connelly

The Black Ice, Michael Connelly

Swan Song, Elin Hilderbrand (Large Print)

It Ends With Us, Colleen Hoover



DVD

Doc Martin – Last Christmas in Podwenn | Night Swim | The Holdovers: Discomfort and Joy | Poor Things | Professor T Season 1-3 | Spitfire | Lancaster | Fall Guy | Furiosa | Grantchester season 9 | Unsung Hero | Beyond Paradise Season 2 | The Chosen Season 4 | Mr. Bates Vs The Post Office | In the Land of Saints and Sinners

