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**January 1**

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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



**W**e look back on a busy and successful year in 2018 and look forward to many new programs on the horizon in 2019. Some of our accomplishments last year include new carpet and paint in the Community Center, renovations and repaving our parking lot, and a new meeting room on our upper level. The final numbers are in, and we circulated close to 250,000 items and held hundreds of programs for all ages. We love being an integral part of the Elkhorn community.

We have many great ideas for the new year, including programs on health and fitness, finances and technology, crafts, book discussions, current events, and movies! Check this newsletter and our website for more details on Fridays with Oscar and other programs. Our big project this year is a new Circulation Desk and furniture by our entrance. We will be looking for donations to our Foundation and doing some fundraising to accomplish this big project. More information will be coming out on our website and in the library later in January.

Have you tried Kanopy yet? Similar to Netflix, Kanopy has over 30,000 films to choose from, including movie classics, current A24 films, and documentaries. It has apps for Roku, Apple TV, IOS, Google Chromecast and Amazon Fire TV stick. RB Digital, our eMagazine product, ended in 2018 and we will try a new easy-to-download product called Flipster coming very soon. Watch for it!

Our Friends of the Library group meets every other month with the next general meeting on February 27, at 6:00 p.m. Child care is available during the Friends' meetings IF you call 262-723-9140 to request it. This fun group supports our library in many ways so please consider joining the Friends! They run our ongoing Book Store and semi-annual Book and Bake Sales. Their next sale is January 17-19, don't miss it!

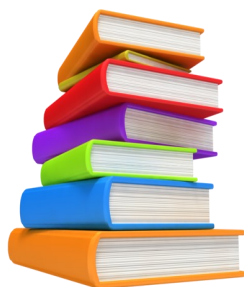
As always, please contact me with any questions or concerns you have about the library [\(262\)723-9140](tel:2627239140).

*Lisa Selje, Library Director*



## 2018 AT THE LIBRARY

**I**t was a busy year for us! Thanks for making us a part of your lives. Here are a few statistics from this last year to give you a picture of how we did:



**244,528 Items  
Were  
Checked Out**



**13,604 Patrons  
Have MML  
Library Cards  
(801 new users!)**



**14,909 Patrons  
Attended 654  
Programs**



**We added  
7,942 new  
items**



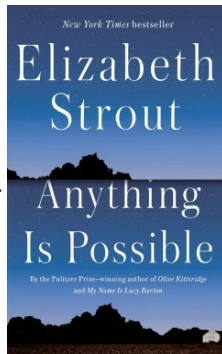
# JANUARY PROGRAMS

## 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**.

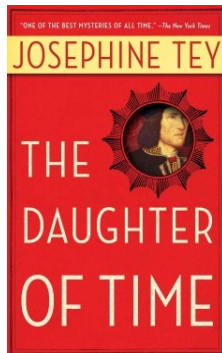
**January 16th – *Anything is Possible* by Elizabeth Strout**

*Anything Is Possible* explores the whole range of human emotion through the intimate dramas of people struggling to understand themselves and others in the small town of Amgash, Illinois.



**February 20th - *The Daughter of Time* by Josephine Tey**

A 20th-century policeman sees a picture of King Richard III and decides to investigate whether or not he was guilty of the notorious murders of his nephews.



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



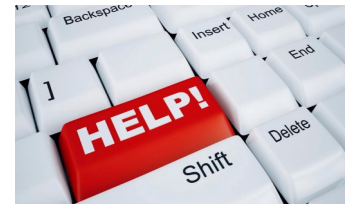
## TAX AIDE RETURNS TO THE LIBRARY TO PROVIDE FREE TAX ASSISTANCE

The Matheson Memorial Library will again be an official AARP Foundation TAX-AIDE site offering free, individualized tax preparation and counseling to senior taxpayers, as well as those with low to moderate income in Walworth County. Tax Aide will begin taking appointments on January 15th. More information can be obtained by calling **(888) 227-7669** or by visiting the Tax Aide website at **www.aarp.org/taxaide**.



## MASTER YOUR NEW DEVICES WITH TECHSTRAVAGANZA!

Did you get a new device over the holidays that you're not sure how to use? We can help! Techstravaganza returns to help you learn how to get the most out of your smartphone, tablet, or other device in a laid-back, no pressure environment. This year, we'll be talking about how to use streaming services like Netflix and Kanopy, then we'll provide a FREE lunch, and then we'll help you one-on-one to answer your tech questions. The program will be on **Tuesday, January 15th**, starting at **11:00am** and running until **2:00pm**. Space is limited, so call us at **(262) 723-2678** to reserve your spot!



## FRIDAYS WITH OSCAR IS COMING...GET READY WITH A FREE SHOWING OF A CLASSIC ACADEMY AWARD WINNER!

To get ready for all the glitz and glamor of our Friends annual film festival in February, the library will be offering a free showing of the 1950 Oscar-winning classic, ***Sunset Boulevard***. This gripping film noir classic features William Holden and Gloria Swanson and tells the tale of Hollywood intrigue and how far some will go to relive their glory days. Directed by the great Billy Wilder, this classic won Best Story, Writing and Screenplay at the 1950 Academy Awards. The movie, the popcorn, and the soda is all free! Plus, learn a little bit about the story behind the movie before and after the showing. The film begins at **12:00pm** on **Saturday, January 26th!**



# FEBRUARY PROGRAMS

## EXPLORE THE LIFE OF A CIVIL RIGHTS PIONEER WITH ALICE'S ORDINARY PEOPLE

The life of Alice Tregay, an unsung hero of the Civil Rights Movement in the Chicago area is celebrated in the moving documentary, *Alice's Ordinary People*. The Matheson Memorial Library is pleased to announce a free showing in the library's Community Center on **Wednesday, February 13th at 6:30pm**. Craig Dudnick, the creator of the documentary, will be on hand to talk about his research and the making of the film, as well as answer questions. We hope you can join us as we explore the life of a remarkable pioneer in the struggle for equal rights.



## TURN A NEW PAGE ON PERSONAL FITNESS THIS YEAR!

Join us on **Saturday, February 16th at 11:00am** for a fun way to get fit! There are lots of small everyday things you can do to exercise and enjoy a healthier lifestyle, and by incorporating them into the things you already do, you'll find that they add up in a big way! Please join library staff member and fitness coach Terri Dellamaria for a fun and informative afternoon to get you on track. Terri will talk about different things you can do for exercise, things like stretches between commercials when watching a favorite show, to getting your steps in while shopping. Afterwards, she'll lead everyone willing in some fun exercise techniques using something very dear to our heart-**books!** This is low-impact and appropriate for all ages...but make sure you wear comfortable clothing!



## RELIVE LOCAL HISTORY WITH THE ELKHORN ORAL HISTORY PROJECT

The Matheson Memorial Library, in partnership with the Walworth County Historical Society, is pleased to announce a new online resource that will preserve personal experiences and viewpoints on Elkhorn history for future generations - the Elkhorn Oral History Project. The project is an online database, accessible from the library website that contains interviews with longtime Elkhorn residents from all walks of life. The interviews feature stories from local farmers, shop owners, historians and civic workers, and represents a time period that stretches from the 1920s to now. You can listen to these fascinating stories by visiting us online at <https://www.elkhorn.lib.wi.us/wordpress/programs-databases/digital> and selecting Elkhorn Oral History Project from the list.



## 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**

### January 2nd - *On Turpentine Lane* by Elinor Lipman

*Living a mostly peaceful existence in her hometown where she struggles to ignore the dysfunctional people in her life, Faith discovers mysterious artifacts that make her question a promising new relationship and everything she believes.*



### February 6th - *Rust & Stardust* by T. Greenwood

*Disturbing crime fiction based on real events that inspired Nabokov's Lolita. In 1948, fifth grader Sally Horner is kidnapped by a man pretending to be a police officer.*



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# FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

## FRIDAYS WITH OSCAR IS BACK EVERY FRIDAY IN FEBRUARY!

The Matheson Memorial Library's most popular Adult Program is back for another year of glamour, trivia, and Academy Award-nominated films! The 6th Annual *Fridays with Oscar* film festival will showcase the best in film on February 1, 8, 15, and 22, 2019. All films begin at 6:30pm. Festivities include free admission, popcorn and soda all provided by the Friends of the Library.

Hosts Katie James, Teresa Douglas, and the rest of the Friends Movie Night crew will return to share their Oscar knowledge, give hidden insight into the films, and help you predict this year's winners. Pick and choose which films to see or set your calendar to come every Friday! We promise the films will be worth the effort: The festival has shown the Best Picture winner four times during its six-year reign!

Attendees can put their film knowledge to the test with our own Oscar Trivia to win cushy front-row VIP seating! Bring your glamorous friends, family or film club for a fun night out and "dress to impress" for a walk down the red carpet too!

Children under 13 must be accompanied by an adult for PG and PG-13 films. No children under 18 will be admitted into R-rated films.

The films will be announced after the 2019 Academy Award nominations on January 22. Check the library website calendar or lobby display for selections and more event information.



## BROWN BAG BOOK & BAKE SALE



Jan 17 4-6:00pm  
Friends Members-Only Preview Sale  
Jan 18 9-6:00pm  
Jan 19 10-1:00pm

ALL THE BOOKS YOU CAN  
STUFF IN A BAG FOR ONLY  
WE'LL SUPPLY THE TREATS &  
BOOKS, YOU FILL THE BAGS!

\$5

## 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 **Cali Ristorante Italiano** each 4th Tuesday of the month at 7:00pm.

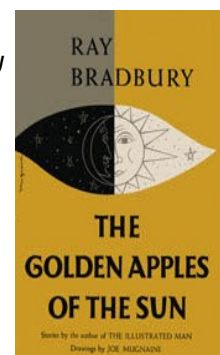
**January 22nd - *The Paper Menagerie* by Ken Liu**

*A young boy rejects his Chinese mother's heritage of magic in this beautiful and haunting short story.*



**February 26th - *The Great Wide World over There* by Ray Bradbury**

*Through the ability to read and write, a young man opens up an entire world of possibilities for his elderly aunt.*



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