



# Matheson Memorial Library NEWSLETTER

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### Current Hours:

Mon. -9am to 8pm  
Tues-Fri. 9am to 6pm  
Sat. 10am to 2pm  
CLOSED  
Sept 7

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For news on upcoming programs, events, and other library happenings, please follow our Facebook page at

[www.facebook.com/ElkhornLibrary/](https://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](https://eepurl.com/jzOQ1)

## NOTES FROM THE DIRECTOR



**D**ear Friends,  
The library is switching to new, fall hours after Labor Day. We will be closed Monday, September 7 and starting September 8, our new hours will be:  
Monday, 9 am- 8 pm

Tuesday -Friday, 9 am-6 pm  
Saturday, 10 am-2 pm

These hours will continue through the end of the year. Although some of our collections are still closed, we are opening adult fiction on August 31 and you can browse the children's area by appointment. We will continue curbside service for the time being, for those who prefer not to enter the building. All items are still quarantined upon return. We encourage everyone to wash their hands with soap and water or use hand sanitizer before entering the library. Masks are mandatory as well.

Sharing between libraries, daily delivery, and inter-library loan outside the SHARE system have resumed as usual. If you haven't tried Hoopla yet, give it a try for eBooks, audiobooks, movies and music. There is no wait to download, but there is a limit of four downloads per month. Our newest database is called *Brainfuse* and will be very helpful for families with students as it provides homework help, live tutoring, a writing lab and more.

Programs for adults will continue this fall online via **Zoom** so register for those on our website or by calling the library. Check our library website, [www.elkhorn.lib.wi.us](http://www.elkhorn.lib.wi.us) for more information and for other resources available 24/7. On our Digital Resources page, you can download magazines using *Flipster*, stream a movie using *Kanopy*, and get crafty with *Creativebug*, a resource that has art and craft video classes. We have something for everyone!

The Friends of Matheson Memorial Library are doing their book sale a little differently this year. Instead of a three day sale, it will last from August 31 to September 24 on a slightly smaller scale. There will still be a good selection of books spread throughout the lobby but spaced for social distancing. Stop at the desk and pay \$5 and library staff will give you a bag to fill. Tables will be restocked throughout the month as needed to ensure a good selection, so stop in and shop often!

As always, please contact me with any questions or concerns you have about the library,

Lisa Selje, Library Director

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## OUR FIRST ONLINE SUMMER READING PROGRAM

**F**or everyone, this was a summer like no other. Our library had to learn how to serve you in many new and different ways, and our annual reading program was no exception! Fortunately for us our library consortium, the Lakeshores Library System was able to set us up with **Beanstack**, a new online program that allowed us to deliver many of the more fun features of the program, like challenges and prizes, pretty much the same as a regular summer.

Happily for us, there were many of you willing to try this out, and the results were very good. We're projecting that a total of 574 books were read by our adult participants...not a bad number. We also were able to enjoy many thoughtful and well-written book reviews, an entirely new feature that Beanstack provides.

And it wasn't just adults! We used Beanstack for our teen program, which also racked up some impressive statistics: throughout the summer, we had 95 completed activities, 198 badges earned, and 14,608 minutes read!

A big thank you to all who participated, and congratulations to our winners...we hope you enjoy your prizes!

# IMAGINE YOUR STORY



# READING RECOMMENDATIONS

## Autumn Releases

As the warm days of summer start to turn into the cool days of autumn, we are looking at some of the fiction books that will be released this fall. Many authors have titles coming out that you'll want to add to your TBR (to-be-read) list. Place holds on these titles by visiting the SHARE catalog from our website [www.elkhorn.lib.wi.us](http://www.elkhorn.lib.wi.us). You'll need your library card and pin #. You can also call us at **262-723-2678** for assistance.

### September 2020 Releases

*All the Devils Are Here* by Louise Penny 9/1  
*Anxious People* by Fredrik Backman 9/8  
*The Book of Two Ways* by Jodi Picoult 9/22  
*Chaos* by Iris Johansen 9/1  
*The Coast-to-Coast Murders* by James Patterson 9/21  
*One by One* by Ruth Ware 9/8  
*The Return* by Nicholas Sparks 9/29  
*Troubled Blood* by Robert Galbraith 9/15  
*The Evening and the Morning* by Ken Follett 9/15

### October 2020 Releases

*In a Holidayze* by Christina Lauren 10/6  
*Invisible Girl* by Lisa Jewell 10/13  
*Magic Lessons* by Alice Hoffman 10/6  
*A Time for Mercy* by John Grisham 10/13  
*Troubles in Paradise* by Elin Hilderbrand 10/6  
*When We Were Young & Brave* by Hazel Gaynor 10/6  
*The Dirty South* by John Connolly 10/20



## COMMUNITY BLOOD DRIVE

The library will be hosting the Versiti Blood Center again on **Friday, September 25th from 1:00 pm to 5:00 pm** in the Community Center for a community blood drive. During these difficult times, blood donations are more important than ever...please consider giving! All donations are now tested for COVID-19 before going into the supply. To help manage social distancing, Versiti strongly recommends that all donors schedule an appointment. Walk-ins will be seen as group size allows. To set up your appointment call Versiti directly at **(630) 768-3164**, or visit them online at [bit.ly/elkhornsept2020](http://bit.ly/elkhornsept2020)



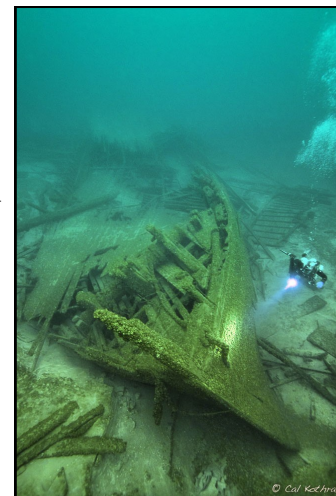
# UPCOMING ADULT PROGRAMS

We'll be offering a different adult program each month, all online. Even though we can't offer in-person programming yet, we hope that these events will provide you with plenty of entertainment & education! You can read more about each program, and register for your free invitation at our online calendar: <https://www.elkhorn.lib.wi.us/wordpress/calendar>. Unless otherwise noted, all programs will be held using the Zoom meeting app.

## Shooting Shipwrecks: The Story Behind the Photo

Join us on **Tuesday, September 22nd at 6:30pm** as we explore the underwater world without getting wet or having to avoid dangerous sea life with this unique online program! Milwaukee-based professional diver and underwater photographer Cal Kothrade will use dozens of his world famous shipwreck images to tell stories of high seas adventure, danger, and the drama he has experienced over more than a decade of searching out and photographing some of the world's most haunting shipwrecks. He discusses how he got into diving, the type of equipment needed to dive 200 feet down in the cold, dark, icy waters of the Great Lakes, and the camera gear he shoots with.

The program will be presented at 6:30pm via Zoom. Please register for your free invitation by calling the library at (262) 723-2678, or visiting our online calendar at <https://www.elkhorn.lib.wi.us/wordpress/calendar>



## News, Fake News, & Spin: Deciding Who to Trust in an Age of Disinformation

In our modern world of instant communication and easy-to-access information, it's important to constantly evaluate the news you hear...especially during a major election! Please join us online on **Tuesday, October 13th at 6:30pm** as Michael Edmonds, professor, author, and retired librarian examines bias, propaganda, fake news, and filter bubbles...and how to recognize and challenge them. He'll go over techniques on how to dissect a message, analyze an argument, evaluate evidence, and find good and reliable sources for information. And, far from boring, his message is fast-paced with lots of animation, plenty of time for questions, and colorful real-world examples. Also, this presentation is unbiased toward either end of the political spectrum, and dedicated to intellectual freedom.

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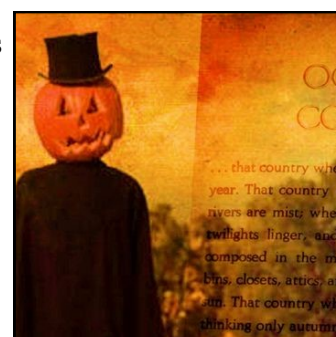


## The Haunted Page: Tricks & Tales for October Eves

Help us celebrate the Halloween season on **Tuesday, October 20th at 6:30pm** with this spooky, exciting, and funny online program for all ages!

Entitled *The Haunted Page: Tricks & Tales for October Eves*, the event features professional illusionist and magic historian William Pack conjuring up a night of creepy tales and amazing illusions with a literary theme. The writings of legendary horror authors Edgar Allan Poe, Mary Shelly, Bram Stoker, M.R. James, and Shirley Jackson jump off the page and provide spine-tingling inspiration and entertainment!

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# FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

## 8TH TRICK-OR-TRIVIA EVENT POSTPONED UNTIL 2021

Due to the extraordinary circumstances surrounding COVID and ensuring the safety of our patrons, the Friends of Matheson Mem. Library made the difficult decision to cancel this year's Trick-or-Trivia night fundraiser. This would have been the eighth year of the event, which has raised over \$25,000 for the library. Trick-or-Trivia Committee co-chairs Katie James and Shelly Robinson had already begun making plans to top last

year's event, which had to be moved to the Sperino's Monte Carlo room in 2019 to accommodate the sell-out crowd of over 200 guests!

The committee opted to take the year off but hope to rehost the popular event again in 2021. They were encouraged by the amount of feedback and interest in the event they received this year, and requests to already reserve a table for teams next year!



2019 Trick-or-Trivia photos courtesy of Dave Dresdow



SEPTEMBER USED BOOK SALE IN THE LOBBY! HUNDREDS OF BOOKS ALL MONTH LONG. PURCHASE BAGS FROM STAFF.

FILL A BROWN BAG FOR ONLY

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