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NEWSLETTER

Library Closed:

Monday, September 2nd

Friday, October 18th

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NOTES FROM THE DIRECTOR

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Can you believe it's already autumn? It's unfortunate that summer flies by so fast, but I hope you were able to fill up those hours with plenty of fun, family, and some reading. Here at the library, we were very excited to have had record circulation, and record participation in our all-ages summer reading programs!

Just because summer is over doesn't mean we don't have lots planned for the fall and winter. Between our library programs and the events the Friends of MML are planning, it should be an unforgettable fall. Speaking of the Friends, if you love to support the library, please consider joining! A \$10 membership fee gets you early access to the Book & Bake Sale, some very cool members-only events, a chance to help the library by volunteering, and some new friends! An easy way to join is to come by our Friends-Only preview book sale on Thursday, September 19th at 4pm; you can join at the door, and this gets you first dibs at our selection of used books and other materials.

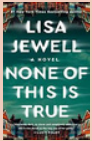
September is National Library Card Signup month, and there's no better time to get your card than now. It's very easy (and free); just come in with your picture I.D, along with a piece of mail that shows your current address if the one on your I.D. is different, and boom, you're in! We have some pretty cool promotional ideas we're doing this year, including selecting our first ever Kid Librarian, so be sure to keep your eyes on us for more information. Also, it always bears mentioning: a Library Card is a vital back-to-school supply, not to mention the cheapest.

Have you seen our new digital sign at the corner of Wisconsin and Court Streets? Be sure to check it out (while driving safely, of course) to see what's coming up from the library and the city. Of course, you hold in your hands information on everything we're planning for the months of September and October, so please don't waste too much time on me! Read on for all the things we have planned to make your fall season all the more fun and informative.

BOOK CLUBS

PAGE TURNERS EVENING BOOK CLUB

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



Wednesday, September 4th: *None of This is True* by Lisa Jewell

Alix, seeking a life change, proposes a podcast with Josie, documenting her big life changes along with her account of her past history.



Wednesday, October 2nd: *Yellowface* by R.F. Kuang

White lies. Dark humor. Deadly consequences... Bestselling sensation Juniper Song is not who she says she is, she didn't write the book she claims she wrote, and she is most certainly not Asian American—in this chilling and hilariously cutting novel.

AFTERNOON BOOK CLUB

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



Tuesday, September 17th: *Banyan Moon* by Thao Thai

From 1960s Vietnam to the wild swamplands of the Florida coast, *Banyan Moon* is a stunning and deeply moving story of mothers and daughters, the things we inherit, and the lives we choose to make out of that inheritance.



Tuesday, October 15th: *The Golden Spoon* by Jessa Maxwell

Only Murders in the Building meets *The Maid* in this darkly beguiling locked-room mystery where someone turns up dead on the set of TV's hottest baking competition

THE SHORT STORY BOOK CLUB

Meets on the 4th Tuesday of the month at 7 PM at Station 20 Pub



Tuesday, September 24th: *The Town Without Death*, an Appalachian folktale

An Appalachian ghost story of a traveler, grieving the death of his wife, who stumbles across a strange mountain town with a horrifying secret.



Tuesday, October 22nd: *The Monkey's Paw* by W.W. Jacobs

The Monkey's Paw is a classic "three wishes" story that doubles as a horror story and a cautionary tale; reminding us that unintended consequences often accompany the best intentions.

ADULT PROGRAMS

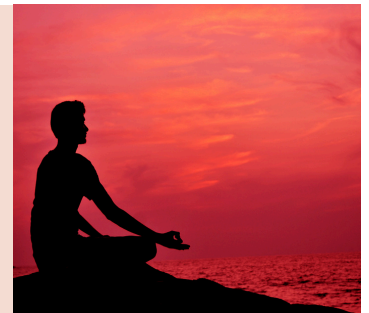


MATINEES AT MATHESON First Friday of every month at 1 PM

We will be continuing our monthly movie club with *The Sting* on September 6th, and a double feature of *Dracula* and *Frankenstein* on October 4th! Free popcorn, candy, and soda provided by the Friends of the Library.

MEDITATION WITH MELANIE Every Wednesday at 12 PM in the Friends Room

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.



GEOLOGY PROGRAM Thursday, September 5th at 6 PM

Jason Rehorst, a Wisconsin geologist, will give a fascinating intro to geology and paleontology, how to build and maintain a rock collection, fakes and information about the geological history of the upper Midwest and what can be found there.

BAKING WITH THE SONS OF NORWAY Saturday, September 7th at 10 AM

Come taste and learn about traditional Scandinavian sweet treats with the Sons of Norway! Get some new recipes and tips for baking traditional Norwegian treats.



PREPPING WITH KIDS Thursday, September 12th at 6 PM

Join expert prepper Jim Cobb for an informative lecture about keeping you and your family safe in emergency situations, including practical skills and specific supplies to keep on hand.

ADULT PROGRAMS



PUZZLE MASTERS' TOURNAMENT (REGISTRATION REQUIRED)

Saturday, September 28th at 10 AM

Teams of 2-4 puzzle masters can compete in this first of three competitions! Registration opens on Monday, September 9th. Please register your team online or by calling 262-723-2678.

SEWING SOS

Tuesday, October 8th from 1-3 PM

Thursday, October 24th from 5:30-7:30 PM

Have a sewing project you can't quite finish? Sewing SOS will help you with any questions you have! Sewing machines will be available, but please bring your own if you have one.



GUITAR HEROES WITH RICHARD GILEWITZ

Thursday, October 3rd at 5 PM

Watch fingerstyle master Richard Gilewitz perform in a new annual guitar concert series! As one of the top fingerstyle guitarists of all time, Richard will perform a virtuoso concert for Elkhorn.

MYSTERIOUS CREATURES OF WISCONSIN

Friday, October 11th at 5 PM

Expert paranormal researcher Chad Lewis showcases tales of the strange and paranormal in the Badger State! This spooky presentation provides testimony and mysterious photos about Wisconsin's strangest creatures!



DRAW-IN AT THE LIBRARY

Monday, October 14th from 10 AM-12 PM

Wednesday, October 16th from 6-8 PM

In this continuation of our art classes, you will learn how to draw a face with easy, step-by-step instructions. Registration is required and opens on Monday, September 30th. Please call the library or register online.

TEEN PROGRAMS

PROJECT EXPLORE

**Friday, Sep. 13 from 3-5 PM &
Thursdays from 3:30-5:30 PM:** Sep. 26, Oct. 10, 17

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



TEEN ADVISORY BOARD (TAB)

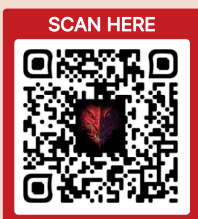
Friday, Sep. 27 at 4 PM & Wednesday, Oct. 23 at 5:30 PM

Join TAB and make a difference in YOUR library! TAB members participate in planning and running programs, fundraisers, and more for teens at the library.

TEEN HOMESCHOOL HANGOUT

Monday from 10-11 AM: Sep. 30 & Oct. 28

Homeschooled middle and high school students are invited to a hangout at the library. Bring an art or craft project to work on, or use our supplies.



YOUTH DUNGEONS & DRAGONS

Wednesday, Oct. 9 from 6-7:30 PM

School-age kids and teens are invited to participate in Dungeons and Dragons. To reserve a place in the game, players must register by the deadline on the form.

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TEENS AFTER HOURS: BEAST EDITION

Wednesday, October 30 at 6:30 PM

Get scared with the film "Poltergeist" (1982) and then play Ghosts in the Graveyard in the library!



KID'S EVENTS

WE EXPLORE

Tuesdays at 9:30 AM: Sep. 3, 10, 17
Thursdays at 9:30 AM: Sep. 5, 12, 19

Join Ms. Andrea for storytimes that explore the world around us, from what's in the dirt to the sky above. This storytime is intended for toddlers and preschoolers, but all ages and abilities are welcome.



PAWS TO READ

Mondays at 4:15 PM: Sep. 9, 16, 23, 30, Oct. 7, 14, 21, 28

Families are welcome to interact and play, listen to stories, and read to the furry friends visiting us from the shelter. Live animals will be present and confined to the Storyroom.

POKEMON HANGOUT

Tuesdays from 4-5 PM: Sep. 10, 24, Oct. 8, 22

Kids are invited to hang out in the Storyroom for an hour of Pokemon fun. Kids are welcome to bring their own cards to play or share, but staff cannot supervise trading.



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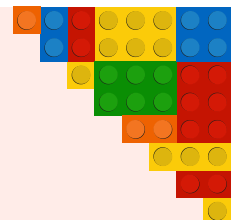
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LEGO DAY

All day Wednesdays: Sep. 18 & Oct. 16

Kids and families are invited to drop into the Storyroom and build with Legos. Meet up with your friends, take pictures of your creations, and hang out at the library!



FAMILY STORYTIME

Weekly on Tuesdays at 9:30 AM: Sep. 24, Oct. 1, 8, 15, 22, 29

Weekly on Thursdays at 9:30 AM: Sep. 26, Oct. 3, 10, 17, 24, 31

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

KID'S EVENTS

HOMESCHOOL HANGOUT

Monday from 1-3 PM: Sep. 30 & Oct. 28

Families with homeschooled children of all ages are invited to join us at the library for socializing, activities, crafts, and new books!



ITTY-BITTY BOPPIN' BAKERS

Monday, October 7 at 10 AM



Come wiggle and bop to the music with Miss Esther. Catch your breath with a story, then join our special guest chefs from Seeds of Hope to cook up something special for your tummy!

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FAMILY FUN NIGHT: HOO'S WOODS BIRDS OF PREY

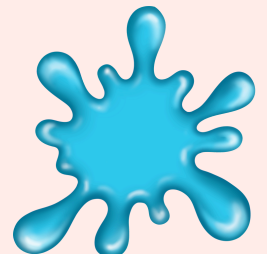
Tuesday, October 15 at 6 PM

Join Miss Esther and the 4K teachers for an evening of fun and learning with Hoo's Woods, featuring live birds of prey.

STEM CHALLENGE: SLIME

Thursday, October 31 from 3:30-5:30 PM

Kids of all ages are invited to mix and experiment with a variety of ingredients to create their own gooey slime.



Matheson Memorial Library Fundraiser

Trick-or-Trivia

at Matheson Memorial Library
October 26, 2024

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



\$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 nine years in a row, so sign up TODAY!

Questions?
Contact the Trick or Trivia Committee:
(262) 723-2678 or friends@elkhorn.lib.wi.us