

PRAIRIE READER

Ruth Culver Community Library News



WHAT TO KNOW ABOUT COUNTERFEIT STAMPS

Learn about the prevalence of postal counterfeit stamps from Wayne Youngblood **Monday, August 22 at 6:30pm**. Find out what you should know, what you can do, and how not to buy them. Wayne will also share examples of counterfeit stamps.

**The library will be closed
Saturday, September 3 and
Monday, September 5 for Labor Day**

TEEN TUESDAYS

We're painting with squirt guns at this month's **Teen Paint Night on Tuesday, August 9 at 6:45pm**. Wear old clothes!

Back by request, we're making more **Candy Sushi on Tuesday, August 16 at 6:45pm**. We'll have a variety of candy and rice cereal for you to create your own sweet sushi treats. We'll also have games for you to play.

Join us at our monthly **Pop-Up Makerspace** for teens **Tuesday, August 23 at 6:45pm**. We will bring out a variety of supplies and equipment – you can make whatever you want with them!

Teen Tuesdays are especially for grades 6-12. Registration is appreciated but not required.

Teen Tuesday bags for August will be available beginning Tuesday, August 9, no registration required. Just ask for your bag at the desk (available while supplies last).

MONDAY PERFORMERS

A complete schedule of summer events is available in the library and online at ruthculver.librarycalendar.com.

Shipwrecks

Monday, August 1, 1:00pm

Dive deep into Great Lake Shipwrecks! Discover the stories and learn how divers discover and map shipwrecks.

Fox & Branch

Monday, August 8, 1:00pm

For over two decades, Dave Fox and Will Branch have energized audiences. Their dynamic mix of old-time music, original songs, and family folk music has appealed to children and adults, giving everyone a chance to actively participate!

Oceans & Rain Forests: a LIVE Animal Show

Monday, August 15, 1:00pm

It's our last Monday event of the summer and Dino returns to the library with more of his LIVE animals!

WEDNESDAY CLUBS

Lego Club

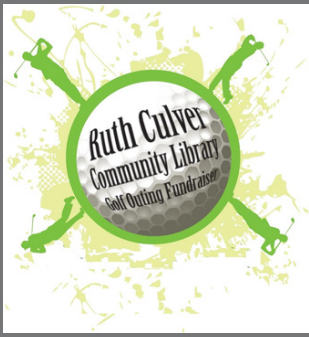
Wednesday, August 3, 2:00pm-3:30pm

Build whatever you want, take a picture, and display it in the library! Children under 6 must be accompanied by an adult.

Pokémon Club

Wednesday, August 10, 1:00pm-2:00pm

Bring your Pokémon cards and/or your game devices to the community room and meet with other Pokémon enthusiasts to battle, trade, and play. For Pokémon Go players, we will have a lure on one of our local Pokéstops.



Register now for the
13th Annual
Golf Outing & Dinner on
September 7. Details at
pdslibrary.org/golf-2022.

MEET CHET S. MILO

Our new gecko has a name! Introducing Chet S. Milo (the S stands for Spike). Over 50 names were submitted as suggestions, and the library staff voted for their favorites from the list. Chet is adjusting pretty well to his library home. Be sure to stop by and see him sometime!



New Maker bags for children will be released August 1, 15 and 29. Get yours from the display in the library while supplies last!

DROP-IN MINDFULNESS

Join certified Mindfulness Meditation Teacher Diane Matzke for mindfulness sessions in the community room. July sessions will be held **Mondays, August 8 and August 22 at 9:15am**. No registration is required. Mindfulness has many benefits. Those benefits can be summarized into three main categories: focused attention, emotional regulation and self-awareness.

JUNE'S BOOK REVIEW

The Wedding Dress Sewing Circle by Jennifer Ryan

London, 1942. Fashion designer Cressida Westcott loses her home and business in the blitz. Cressida has nowhere to go but back to the family manor she left 20 years before. Violet Westcott is happy her famous aunt is back. However, Violet has been conscripted for the war effort. She would rather stay home and snag a rich husband. Local Vicar's daughter Grace Carlisle is hoping get her Mother's wedding gown repaired before her marriage to her father's curate. One evening Grace, Cressida and Violet all attend the local sewing circle. After Cressida helps Grace repair her Mother's dress the sewing circle has the idea to ask for donations of wedding gowns from around the town and the whole country. The dresses will be loaned to brides who can't buy a white dress because of the rationing of material for the war effort. The three narrators of the book come from different backgrounds.

The book is based on real events. I've enjoyed all four of the author's novels.



SUMMER READING ENDS AUGUST 20!

Keep logging your time spent reading this summer! Even if you've earned all your prizes, your extra time still earns entries in the grand prize drawings. Kids, you can enter your "tickets" online or in the app for a chance to win a Kindle Fire, Lego Ocean Exploration Base or Squishmallows Octopus and a Smithsonian Ocean Encyclopedia. Teens and adults, you are automatically entered in the grand prize gift card drawings.

If you haven't signed up, there's still time! Go to <http://pdslibrary.beanstack.org/> to get started. We have reading challenges for ALL ages.

STORYTIMES

Join Miss Bethany on **Tuesdays and Thursdays at 10:00am** for movement, music, and stories in the library community room. Recommended for children ages 2+ but all are welcome.

BOUNCING BABIES

A storytime geared for ages 0-2 focusing on songs, fingerplays, and short books to grow minds and motor skills, Bouncing Babies will be held **Fridays at 8:30am**, before the library opens. Registration is recommended, but not required, and can be done online at ruthculver.librarycalendar.com or by calling the library at 608-643-8318.



The Mystery Book Club will meet Thursday, August 11 at 6:45pm to discuss mysteries by Jenn McKinlay. Copies are available on display in the library.

LIBRARY HOURS

Mon-Thu: 9am - 8pm
Fri: 9am - 6pm
Sat: 9am - 4pm

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