

# PRAIRIE READER

Ruth Culver Community Library News



## DROP-IN MINDFULNESS

Join certified Mindfulness Meditation Teacher Diane Matzke for mindfulness sessions in the community room. September sessions will be held **Mondays, September 12 and September 26 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.

## LIBRARY CARD SIGN-UP MONTH

September is Library Card Sign-Up Month! Why buy when you can borrow? With a library card, you get free access to books, movies, magazines, newspapers, study tools, Internet access, and more. It's the most valuable card in your wallet so make sure yours is up-to-date!



## TEEN TUESDAYS

Teen Tuesdays return to the second and fourth Tuesdays of the month for the fall. Come for **Ice Cream & Games September 13 at 6:45pm**. Build your own ice cream sundae, banana split or ice cream sandwich! Then play games while you eat.

We're making **Soap on September 27 at 6:45pm**. Customize your own bars of melt-and-pour soap, all scents, color and other supplies provided. Wear old clothes!

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

**Teen Tuesday bags** will be available beginning Wednesday, September 14, no registration required. Just ask for your bag at the desk (available while supplies last).

## LEGO BUILDING CLUB

Lego Building Club continues this fall and everyone is welcome! September's club will be held **Wednesday, September 14 from 4:00pm to 5:00pm**. Come and be creative at the library. Build whatever you want, take a picture, and display it in the library. Children under 6 must be accompanied by an adult. Registration is recommended but not required and can be done online or by calling the library at 608-643-8318.

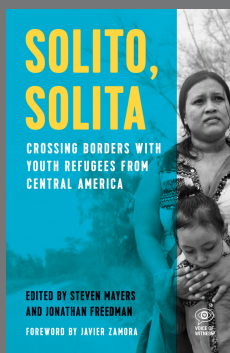
## EARLY RELEASE WEDNESDAY: BOARD GAMES

The first early release of the new school year is **Wednesday, September 21**. Drop by the library from **2:30pm to 4:30pm** to play some of the new board games we've added to our collection, or play one of your old favorites!

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

## POKÉMON CLUB

The library's Pokémon Club will meet in the community room **Wednesday, September 28 from 4:00pm to 5:30pm**. 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. Registration is appreciated but not required and can be done online or by calling the library at 608-643-8318.



Sauk Prairie's second annual community read is coming! Free copies of ***Solito, Solita*** will be available at both Sauk Prairie Libraries starting September 1, with discussions and speakers happening in October.



The Mystery Book Club will meet Thursday, September 8 at 6:45pm to discuss the Daniel Pitt series by Anne Perry. Copies are available on display in the library.

## LIBRARY HOURS

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

## FULL STEAM AHEAD

Mark your calendars! Full STEAM Ahead returns in October. This program for grades K-5 is held at **4:00pm** on the first Wednesday of the month and features a different theme each time (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art or Math). Join Miss Bethany **October 5** for a **Candy Activity Day**. Save Fred the (gummy) worm, dissolve candy corn, and discover more about these sweet treats! Registration is appreciated but not required and can be done online or by calling the library at 608-643-8318.

### DID YOU KNOW?

You can see a full schedule of library events on our calendar at [ruthculver.librarycalendar.com](http://ruthculver.librarycalendar.com). You'll also be able to see unexpected schedule changes and late additions. And if you chose to register for an event and include your email, you will get email reminders!

## KIDS GET CRAFTING!

The library's popular Maker Bags for children will continue this fall! Look for new bags to be available every other Monday (September 12 and 26). Grab yours from the display while supplies last.

If you're looking for something to do in the library, the craft corner in the children's area is a great choice! Look for a new in-library craft every other week (opposite weeks of new bags).

## JUNE'S BOOK REVIEW

### ***The Codebreaker's Secret* by Sara Ackerman**

Author Sara Ackerman's novels are all set during World War II in the South Pacific. The year is 1943 and Isabel Cooper has been assigned to Pearl Harbor to decipher top secret Japanese naval code. Isabel wants to do her part for the war effort as her brother Walt died December 7, 1941 during the sneak attack that day.

Also in the novel is Lu Freitas a young journalist who comes to Hawaii in 1965. She is covering the grand opening of the first destination hotel built by the wealthy Rockefeller in Hawaii. Lu meets a famous photographer who was Isabel's brother's best friend. When a well known singer disappears Lu and Matteo try to solve the mystery. Soon they expose a dangerous secret from Isabel's time as a codebreaker.

I've enjoyed reading all five of this author's books.

## THAT'S A WRAP ON SUMMER READING!

In August we finished a great summer at the library. In addition to a schedule full of fantastic performers and fun activities for all ages, we were excited about our summer reading challenges. This year 188 children, 38 teens and 59 adults participated, reading a combined 330,306 minutes! That's over 5,500 hours! Great job to all, and thank you for celebrating summer with us.

Congratulations to the Grand Prize winners! Children's Winners: Clara G, Maddie B, and Landon K.

Teen Winners: Stella O., Clara W., and CJ G.  
Adult: Emily L., J. H. and Nicholas M.

## STORYTIMES

Storytimes resume Tuesday, September 6! 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

Bouncing Babies resumes Friday, September 9! A storytime geared for ages 0-2 focusing on songs, fingerplays, and short books to grow minds and motor skills, Bouncing Babies is held **Fridays at 8:30am**, before the library opens. Registration is recommended, but not required, and can be done online at [ruthculver.librarycalendar.com](http://ruthculver.librarycalendar.com) or by calling the library at 608-643-8318.



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