PRAIRIE READER

Ruth Culver Community Library News





SPRING BREAK WEDNESDAY: FIZZY PAINT DAY

Looking for something to do during spring break? Children can come to the library **Wednesday**, **March 15 at 2:00pm** to create their own unique work of art using paint and a little science. Children under 6 must be accompanied by an adult. No <u>registration</u> required unless you want to receive email reminders about this event.

DROP-IN MINDFULNESS

Join certified Mindfulness Meditation Teacher Diane Matzke for drop-in mindfulness sessions in the community room. March sessions will be held **Monday, March 13** and **Monday, March 27 at 9:15am**.

Mindfulness has many benefits. Those benefits can be summarized into three main categories: focused attention, emotional regulation and self-awareness. Many thanks to Diane Matzke for offering these sessions.

FAMILY PAINT NIGHT

Our annual family art night is back in person! Join us **Tuesday, March 7 at 6:00pm.** We'll have blank canvases and plenty of paint for everyone in your family to create their own art! (No instruction will take place, but inspiration will be provided.) Open to all ages. Space is limited. Registration is required and can be done online at ruthculver.librarycalendar.com/event/family-paint-night or by calling the library at 608-643-8318. Please register each family member. Contact Meagan with questions.

TEEN TUESDAYS

Eat **jelly beans** and make your own **cotton candy** at Teen Tuesday **March 14 at 6:45pm**. We'll have taste tests, other recipes and games.

Teen Tuesday **Paint Night** is back **March 28 at 6:45pm!**Follow along with YouTube tutorials or do your own thing.
Wear old clothes!

Teen Tuesdays are especially for grades 6-12. No <u>registration</u> is required unless you want to receive email reminders about an event.

March **Teen Take & Make bags** will be available beginning Tuesday, March 14, no registration required. This month get supplies to make your own Jolly Rancher suckers and two additional activities! Just ask for your bag at the desk (while supplies last).

POKÉMON CLUB

Bring your Pokémon cards and/or your game devices to the community room **Wednesday, March 29 at 4:00pm** and meet with other Pokémon enthusiasts to battle, trade, and play.

WILDFLOWER SEED BOMBS

Join Ms. Bethany for Wildflower Seed Bombs **Wednesday**, **April 5 at 4:00pm**. Seed bombs are a great way to plant wildflower seeds in your outdoor area. Kids can learn how to make their own and take it home to plant. Open to grades K-5. No <u>registration</u> required unless you want to receive email reminders about this event.



Looking for something to do with kids in the library? Check out the craft table in the children's area! Every other week Ms. Bethany puts out a new activity to do while you're here!



The Mystery Book Club will meet **Thursday**, **March 9 at 6:45pm**.

This month we will discuss mysteries by llaria Tuti, which we had to cancel in February.

LIBRARY HOURS

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

BOUNCING BABIES

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.

STORYTIMES

Join Ms. 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.

2023 YOUTH MEDIA AWARD WINNERS

John Newbery Medal (most outstanding contribution to children's literature):

Freewater written by Amina Luqman-Dawson

Randolph Caldecott Medal (most distinguished American picture book for children): Hot Dog illustrated and written by Doug Salati

Coretta Scott King Book Awards

(recognizing an African American author and illustrator of outstanding books for children and young adults): Freewater written by Amina Luqman–Dawson (Author Award)

Standing in the Need of Prayer: A Modern Retelling of the Classic Spiritual illustrated by Frank Morrison and written by Carole Boston Weatherford (Illustrator Award)

MOVE & GROOVE

Held on **Fridays at 10:00am**, Move and Groove is a free opportunity for ages 2 to 4 to have active play in the library's community room Each session has an activity theme, some more free-play focused and some more class-like. For more information and weekly themes, visit our online calendar at ruthculver.librarycalendar.com or contact Bethany at bhultgren@pdslibrary.org or 608-643-8318.

LEGO CLUB

Come and be creative with legos at the library Wednesday, **March 22 from 4:00pm to 5:00pm.** Build whatever you want, take a picture, and display it in the library. Children under 6 must be accompanied by an adult.

SAVE THE DATES!

Friends of the Ruth Culver Community Library Annual Meeting Wednesday, March 22, 6:30pm

Election of Officers and Directors will take place. We have openings on the Board!

Intro To Fly Fishing & Fly Tying Tuesday, April 18, 6:30pm

Learn the basics of fly fishing and fly tying from experienced fishermen Don Glanzer and Mark Winscher.

Spring Book Sale Friday, May 19 & Saturday, May 20

JUNE'S BOOK REVIEW

Cold People by Tom Rob Smith

Earth's population is given 30 days to relocate to Antarctica by alien invaders. Anyone who can't get to the southern continent in time will be vaporized. This exodus happens in the summer of 2023.

The colonization of this new society is seen through the eyes of Liza and Atto, a young couple. The colony works to survive the extreme cold with some success. By 2043 geneticists have engineered cold-adapted people to survive in the future. The most successful of the experimental hybrids are ready to be released into the general population. Echo, Liza's and Atto's daughter, is one of the cold people facing such an uncertain future. What if the only hope for survival is its greatest threat?

