

PRAIRIE READER

Ruth Culver Community Library News



EARLY RELEASE WEDNESDAY: RACE CAR DERBY

School's out early, so head to the library **Wednesday, May 17 at 2:00pm** for a race car derby! Decorate your own toy car and then send it down the race track. Ages 6 and under must be accompanied by an adult. No registration required unless you would like an email reminder.

BUBBLE AND STRING PAINTING

Use bubbles and strings to create your own unique work of art at the library **Wednesday, May 3 at 4:00pm**. Some basic instruction will be given, but what you create with the provided materials is completely up to you! For Grades K-5. Children under 6 must be accompanied by an adult. No registration required unless you want to receive email reminders about this event.

PAINTED TERRA COTTA POTS

Decorate your garden with a hand-painted (by you!) gnome or mushroom. All supplies will be provided to make a painted terra cotta pot decoration at the library **Monday, May 8 at 6:00pm**. Open to ages 18+. Space is limited. Registration is required and can be done online or by calling the library at 608-643-8318. Thank you to the Friends of the Ruth Culver Community Library for sponsoring this event.

FREE COMIC BOOK DAY

We are participating in Free Comic Book Day again this year! Stop by the library **Saturday, May 6** to pick out your FREE comic and enter to win door prizes! All ages welcome!

SPRING BOOK SALE

The Friends of the Ruth Culver Community Library Spring Book Sale will be held in the library community room **Friday, May 19, and Saturday, May 20**. All sales are by donation and proceeds will go to the Friends' support of the library. Donations of gently used materials are accepted (sorry, no magazines encyclopedias, or nonfiction more than 5 years old). Donations can be dropped off at the library at any time.

Volunteers are also needed! Opportunities include helping unpack boxes and setup Thursday, May 18 (1:00pm), or staffing the sale for a 2-hour shift Friday or Saturday. Contact Meagan at 608-643-8318 or mstatz@pdslibrary.org if you are interested.

CLOSED HOURS

We will be closed Saturday, May 27 through Tuesday, May 30. Due to the move of the South Central Library System headquarters we will be unable to provide services during this time. We will reopen Wednesday, May 31 at 9:00am.

FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY GOLF OUTING & DINNER

Save the date for the Friends of the Ruth Culver Community Library's 14th Annual Golf Outing and Dinner! The event has a new date this year: **Wednesday, July 19** at Lake Wisconsin County Club. Registration forms and more information can be found online at <https://www.pdslibrary.org/golf-2023>. Golfers, events sponsors, and silent auction donations are all appreciated!



We are busy planning a fantastic summer! Ms. Bethany will be visiting area schools this month so watch for the calendar to come home! Copies will also be available in the library and all events will be listed on our online calendar:
ruthculver.librarycalendar.com



The Mystery Book Club will meet **Thursday, May 11 at 6:45pm.** This month we will discuss mysteries by Bella Ellis.

LIBRARY HOURS

Mon-Thu: 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.

Bouncing Babies WILL meet: **May 5 & 12**

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.

Storytimes WILL be held: **May 2 & 4 AND May 9 & 11**

TEEN TUESDAYS

Build your own **Mini Pies** at the library **Tuesday, May 9 at 6:45pm.** We'll provide the crusts, fillings and toppings - you decide what goes in!

Come to the library **Tuesday, May 23 at 6:45 pm** for **Drop-In DIYs.** We'll have a variety of supplies for projects including beads, button makers, washi tape and more! Make what you want!

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

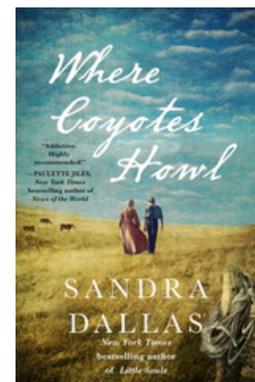
May **Teen Take & Make bags** will be available beginning Wednesday, May 10, no registration required. Just ask for your bag at the desk (while supplies last).

JUNE'S BOOK REVIEW

Where Coyotes Howl by Sandra Dallas

Twenty-three year old Ellen Webster leaves her home in Iowa in 1916 to teach in a one room schoolhouse in north east Wyoming. Ellen has read many of author Zane Grey's western novels. She imagines green mountains, cowboys and adventure. When she arrives the brown, flat plains are a disappointment. Life can be quite hard in the plains. Scorching hot summers and blizzards in the winter are common.

Although Ellen meets cowboy Charlie Bacon and they marry, this book is not a romance. With interesting period detail highlighted by sense of place, this is another good read by author Dallas.



Storytime Break: Storytime is on break Tuesday, May 16 through Tuesday, May 30. We will resume Thursday, June 1 at 10:00am. Make sure to check out our book sale during the break!

Bouncing Babies Break: Bouncing Babies will be on break May 19 and May 26. We will resume Friday, June 2. Make sure to check out our book sale during the break!

WORLD BIKE DAY

Stop by the library while you're out for Sauk Prairie World Bike Day **Saturday, June 3!** Create sidewalk chalk masterpieces, sip a refreshing lemonade, or bike through our bubble machine. For a complete schedule of events visit greatsaukstatetrail.org/bike-day.

LEGO BUILDING DAY

Come and be creative at the library's Lego Building Day **Wednesday, May 10 at 4:00pm.** Build whatever you want, take a picture, and display it in the library. Children under 6 must be accompanied by an adult.

DROP-IN MINDFULNESS

Join certified Mindfulness Meditation Teacher Diane Matzke for drop-in mindfulness sessions **Monday, May 8 and Monday, May 22 at 9:15am.** Mindfulness has many benefits which can be summarized into three main categories: focused attention, emotional regulation and self-awareness. Thanks to Diane for offering the sessions.

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