

# PRAIRIE READER

Ruth Culver Community Library News



## AN EVENING WITH TAILSPIN AUTHOR JOHN ARMBRUSTER

**Tuesday, October 17, 6:30pm**

Wisconsin author John Armbruster will discuss his book *Tailspin*, the true story of Gene Moran, a World War II tail gunner who survived a four-mile fall without a parachute only to land in Nazi hands. Books will be available for sale and signing. Sponsored by the Friends of the Ruth Culver Community Library.



## EARLY RELEASE: MONSTER MAKERSPACE

**Wednesday, October 18, 2:30pm**

Create your own unique monster for the season! This is an open-creative opportunity for elementary age children. We'll have air dry clay, pipe cleaners, pom poms, paper tubes, various coloring utensils, ribbon, yarn and more to create all sorts of monsters. Drop-in anytime from 2:30pm until 3:30pm. For grades K-5. Ages 6 and under must be accompanied by an adult.

## LIBRARY LAB: OWL PELLETS

**Wednesday, October 4, 4:00pm**

Learn more about owls and their diet with a brief talk and a hands-on dissection of a sterilized owl pellet! Owl pellets are the undigested parts of the owl's diet that the owl spits up, similar to cat hairballs. We'll be using gloves. For grades K-5. Ages 6 and under must be accompanied by an adult.

## DROP-IN MINDFULNESS

Join certified Mindfulness Meditation Teacher Diane Matzke for drop-in mindfulness sessions Monday, October 9 and Monday, October 23 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.

## OCTOBER TEEN EVENTS

### Build-Your-Own Caramel Apple Bites

Tuesday, October 10, 6:45pm

We'll have the supplies and toppings for you to make your own caramel apple bites, and some other apple treats!

### Pumpkins

Tuesday, October 24, 6:45pm

Get ready for the spooky season by carving or painting your own pumpkin! Wear old clothes!

### Movie Day!

Friday, October 27, 3:00pm

There's no school today so head to the library for a movie and popcorn! We're showing a 1993 movie featuring a beloved pumpkin king. We'll also have supplies for you to create your own costume mask or headband.

*Teen events are especially for grades 6-12. No registration required unless you'd like an email reminder.*

**October Teen Take & Make** bags will be available (while supplies last) beginning Tuesday, October 10. This month get the supplies to make (edible) witch fingers, a mini Lightsaber and painted mini pumpkins.



Thanks to staff member Heather H. and *No Child Goes Hungry*, a 501c3 that seeks to inspire, encourage, and support feeding kids in tangible ways, we are now able to provide FREE snacks to children and teens after school. We invite anyone who needs a snack to visit our snack shop, located in the teen area, and enjoy!



The Mystery Book Club will meet **Thursday, October 12 at 6:45pm**. This month we will discuss mysteries by Laura Joh Rowland.

## 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.

## MOVE & GROOVE

Move & Groove, the library's free active-play program for ages 2 to 5, continues at 10:00am every Friday in October. We hope to see you there!

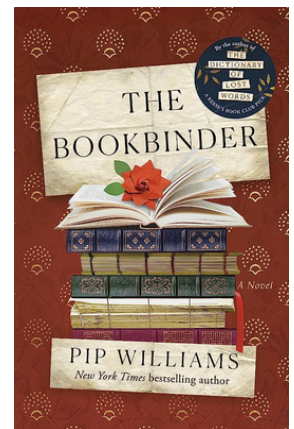
- **Friday, October 6, 10:00am: Beach Day!** The parachute will be out! We'll also have our bubbles, beach balls, and sandboxes.
- **Friday, October 13, 10:00am: Musical Instrument Day!** Come shake, rattle, roll for this music-filled session. We'll be doing a variety of songs with shakers, bells, drums, and more.
- **Friday, October 20, 10:00am: Open Play!** All of our active toys will be out. Come slide, jump, hop, and more!
- **Friday, October 27, 10:00am: Dance Party!** Freeze dance, chicken dance, bubble popping dance, and some dance-any-way-you-want-to dances.

## JUNE'S BOOK REVIEW

### **The Bookbinder by Pip Williams**

This historical novel is set in Oxford, England in 1914. Twin sisters Peggy and Maude are in their early twenties. They work together at the book bindery at Oxford University Press. Their job at the press is to fold and press the printed sheets into sections, then gather sections into blocks before they are bound. As Peggy is working she's reading the text of the books upside down and sideways. Peggy would like to go to college but is lower class, female and poor. The sisters live on a houseboat on the canal.

At the beginning of World War I, Belgian refugees are sent to England. The sisters meet Lotte whose son was killed in the war. By the end of the war millions are dead from the flu. As the 1920s begin will things begin to change for the better for the sisters? This novel is one of the best I've read this year.



## POKÉMON CLUB

**Wednesday, October 25, 4:00pm**

Bring your Pokémon cards and/or your game devices to the library 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.



## COMMUNITY READ

Free copies of ***This Tender Land*** by **William Kent Krueger**, the 2023 SP CAN Community Read title, are available at both Sauk Prairie libraries. Discussions and other events will occur throughout the month of October. For more information please email [spcan535@gmail.com](mailto:spcan535@gmail.com) or find SP CAN on Facebook.

### **Schedule of Events:**

- Thursday, October 5, 6:30pm: Community Read Discussion at Ruth Culver Community Library
- Monday, October 16, 6:00pm: Speaker Janice Rice at Ruth Culver Community Library
- Wednesday, October 25, 6:00pm: Screening of the film *Indian Horse* at Ruth Culver Community Library

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