



Letter from the President of the Friends

Greetings Friends!

It's Fall! The leaves on the trees are starting to turn, displaying their vibrant colors of red, orange, and yellow. Squirrels are actively stockpiling food for future needs. Farmers and gardeners are harvesting the fruits of their labors. And so it is with the Friends.

The Friends' 14th annual golf outing fundraiser was held in July at the Lake Wisconsin Country Club. It was a beautiful summer day for the event. Thank you to the golfers, sponsors, donors, diners, and volunteers that helped to



1st place team-Jeff Boll, Matt Brennan, Alex Diehl, and Mike Brennan

make the golf outing a tremendous success. And thank you to the Lake Wisconsin Country Club for hosting the event. A list of sponsors and donors can be found on the Friends' webpage. Many are local businesses so the next time you visit them please remember to say thank you for their generosity and support of the Friends and the Ruth Culver Community Library.

Along with the golf outing fundraiser, throughout the year, the Friends receive monetary donations from generous library supporters. Some donations are designated for the children's programming, teen programming, and flower gardens. Others are unrestricted. The Friends use these donations to provide support for their wish list, library programs, and capital improvements. Donations are also saved away for future library needs and projects.

October 15 – 21 is National Friends of Libraries Week. We celebrate all the Friends for their support of the library. Please continue your support through volunteering, donating, and taking advantage of the wonderful resources the library has to offer.

To build a vibrant community there must be thriving businesses. Remember to support the many big, small, and micro businesses in our community. As they flourish so do the community, schools, and libraries. Be a friend!

Thanks for being a Friend.

Carl Hoffman

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Golf Outing a Success!

The Friends of the Ruth Culver Community Library 14th Annual Golf Outing, Dinner, and Silent Auction held July 19 was a huge success! Thank you again to all the sponsors and donors, golfers, dinner guests, and volunteers who made this event possible.

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SPHS Golf Team member Gavin Goetsch taking a tee shot for one of the players. This added event was a big hit and the generous tips donated were much appreciated by the Friends of the Ruth Culver Community Library.

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**What is the purpose of the Friends?**

- To promote and improve library services, materials and facilities for the community
- To stimulate gifts and bequests to the library
- To provide volunteer support in strengthening the library's programs
- To encourage the broadest possible use of its facilities, materials, and services

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National Friends of Libraries Week

The Ruth Culver Community Library gets by with a little help from our Friends . . . actually, we get by with a lot of help from our Friends! Over the years the Friends have funded programming for all ages, summer reading challenges, special library collections and numerous building enhancements such as an LED lightning conversion project and a new ottoman and interactive Lite Brite for the teen area.



October 15-20, 2023 is National Friends of Libraries Week, and it's the perfect opportunity for the staff and patrons of the Ruth Culver Community Library to give you, our Friends, a big shout out for all you do to make a difference for us every single day. Thank you Friends!

2023 Meeting Dates

The 2023 meeting date for the Friends of the Ruth Culver Community Library is:

- **Thursday, November 16**

Meetings will be held at **6:30pm** in the library Community Room. All are welcome to attend. Contact Meagan at mstatz@pdslibrary.org or 608-643-8318 for details.

**Yes! I'd like to support the Friends of the Library!**

Thank you for your gift to support the Friends of the Library and the Ruth Culver Community Library. Please share your intentions for your gift:

☐ A one time gift of \$_____

This gift is:

☐ In Memory of _____

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Please make checks payable to:
Friends of the Ruth Culver Community Library
540 Water Street
Prairie du Sac, WI 53578

Donations may also be made online at www.pdslibrary.org/friends-library

Name(s) _____

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Upcoming Library Events for Adults

Find out about upcoming library events through the online calendar at <https://ruthculver.librarycalendar.com>. Many events require registration when space is limited, and you can register online through the calendar too! Contact the library at 608-643-8318 with questions.

Mindful Resolutions

Second & Fourth Mondays of the month, 9:15am

Join certified Mindfulness Meditation Teacher Diane Matzke for drop-in mindfulness sessions in the library's Community Room. No registration is required. Mindfulness has many benefits. Those benefits can be summarized into three main categories: focused attention, emotional regulation and self-awareness.

Tailspin Author John Armbruster

Tuesday, October 17, 6:30pm



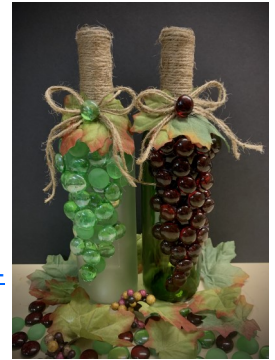
Wisconsin author John Armbruster will discuss his book *Tailspin*, the true story of Gene Moran, a World War II tail gunner who survived a four-mile fall without a parachute

only to land in Nazi hands. Books will be available for sale and signing. Sponsored by the Friends of the Ruth Culver Community Library. No registration required unless you want to receive email reminders about the event.

Adult Craft: Wine Bottle Decoration

Monday, November 13, 6:00pm

Supplies will be provided to create a grapevine decorated wine bottle. Open to ages 18+. Space is limited. Registration is required and can be done online at <https://ruthculver.librarycalendar.com/event/adult-craft-event-wine-bottle-decoration> or by calling the library at 608-643-8318. Sponsored by the Friends of the Ruth Culver Community Library.



Holly Jolly Sauk Prairie

Saturday, December 2

The Ruth Culver Community Library will be participating in the Sauk Prairie Chamber of Commerce's Holly Jolly Sauk Prairie again this year. We'll have FREE holiday-themed Take & Make bags for children and adults. The activities for both bags will be announced in November. Be sure to watch the library's newsletter and Facebook page for details to come, and stop in Saturday, December 2 during library hours (9:00am to 4:00pm) to get your bag!

Summer Reading Winners



One of the many ways the Friends support the library is providing funding for summer reading challenges for all ages. Thank you, Friends, and congratulations to the grand prize winners this year!

