PRAIRIE READER

Ruth Culver Community Library News





THE OREGON TRAIL LIVE

Saturday, October 26 Registration Required!

Reservations available at 9:00am, 9:30am, 10:15am, 10:45am and 11:30am

Wanted: brave individuals up to the challenge of reaching Willamette, Oregon via the Oregon Trail. Sign up on our website for a time slot on this live version of the classic video game. Can you survive to the end? Our Oregon Trail game will take up to 8 players on the trail at a time. Recommended ages 6 and up. The Oregon Trail will be a giant board game format in our community room with each square representing 100 miles on the trail. You will be given supplies, but you will also face many calamities before your journey's end. If even one player makes it to the end of the trail, the players win. After playing the game, you will be welcomed to take a photo in our Oregon Trail photo area (similar to a post-escape room photo) and try your hand at a yarn weaving craft.

EARLY RELEASE: ALIEN AUTOPSIES

Wednesday, October 16, 2:30pm

We are recruiting scientists to dissect an alien from outer space and examine what is found. These alien specimens will be made out of gelatin. Various items will be suspended inside, and it'll be up to our scientists to use tools to extract and document what they find. It'll be messy fun! For grades K-5. No <u>registration</u> is required unless you'd like to receive an email reminder.

DROP-IN YOGA

Wednesdays, October 9 & 23, 9:00am

Stretch, breathe, repeat. Instructor Brittney Ricks of Peak Yoga Wellness will lead a free yoga session in the library community room. Please bring a mat and/or towel. Yoga is held on the second and fourth Wednesdays of the month.

ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE

Why it's changing the world, what it is, and how we can prepare for it

NEW DATE! Monday, November 4, 7:00pm

Al is a transformative technology with the potential to revolutionize education, the workforce, and our society. Join us to better understand Al's implications and prepare for its impact on our lives and community. This conversation will be led by Jake Boll, local educator and educational technology specialist at CESA 5. Jake will discuss the potential benefits and risks associated with Al as it continues to evolve as well as ethical and data privacy considerations. Feel free to bring a device to explore some Al tools on your own and ask questions! All are welcome whether you are a beginner or experienced Al user as we look forward to sharing and learning from one another.



OCTOBER TEEN TUESDAYS

Spooky Snacks

Tuesday, October 8, 6:45pm

Join us to make your own snacks for the spooky season! A variety of ingredients and examples will be provided. Contact Meagan with allergy concerns.

Pumpkin Carving Tuesday, October 29, 6:45pm

Show your seasonal spirit by carving your own pumpkin! Pumpkins and tools will be provided. Wear old clothes! Registration is appreciated, but not required, to ensure we have enough pumpkins for everyone.

Teen events are especially for grades 6-12.



We have a limited supply of free Covid tests available at the library. Ask the staff if you need one!



The Mystery Book Club will meet **Thursday, October 10 at 6:45pm** to discuss The Curse of Penryth Hall by Jess Armstrong.
New members are always welcome!

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.

HALLOWEEN STORYTIMES

Feel free to come dressed in costumes for our Halloween storytimes October 29 & 31! Miss Bethany will be sharing a number of notso-scary books and other activities.

LLAMA LLAMA VISIT

Llama Llama is visiting storytimes and schools from September 30th to October 4th. Llama Llama would like to invite your child to pick up a special gift, by October 19th, when your child gets or uses their own library card! To get a card, a parent or guardian must apply and bring a photo ID and proof of current address. Your child already has a card? Bring it along and check out all the wonderful resources available!

LEGO BUILDING CLUB

Wednesday, October 30, 4:00pm

We are getting out our collection of Legos! Build whatever you want and display your work in one of the library's display cases. No registration required unless you'd like an email reminder.

MOVE & GROOVE

Fridays, October 11 through November 22 at 10:00am

Move & Groove, our active-play program for ages 2 to 5, is coming back this fall for a 6-week session!

October 11 - Ballet Sampler: Come explore ballet with Miss Bethany and special guest Stella, a dancer from our community. Stella will be demonstrating some introductory stretches and ballet moves before having some time to dance freely. No previous experience necessary!

October 18 - Musical Games: Come join us for a variety of games all set to music. Fairy rings, the floor is lava, musical cushions/chairs, and more will be part of this day.

October 25 - Toddler Field Day: On your mark, get set, go! We'll be doing a variety of racing, throwing, jumping, crawling, and rolling events in the room.

COMMUNITY READ EVENTS

Join SP CAN for their fourth annual Community Read, focusing on adult mental health. Several events will be held at the Ruth Culver Community Library.

- Book Discussion: The Midnight Library by Matt Haig - Thursday, October 17, 6:30pm (Copies of the book are available at the library.)
- Panel Discussion: Warning Signs of Suicide - Monday, October 21, 6:30pm
- Film Screening: The Hours Thursday, October 24, 6:00pm

JUNE'S BOOK REVIEW

What Time the Sexton's Spade Doth Rust by Alan Bradley

This ten-book mystery series is about a precocious 11-year-old girl who lives with her widowed father and two annoying older sisters at Buckshaw, a crumbling mansion in rural England in 1950. Little attention is paid to what Flavia is up to. In the first book of the series, Sweetness at the Bottom of the Pie, she discovers her great uncle Tarquin's chemistry lab. Flavia reads his books about the sciences and develops an interest in poisons.

I've enjoyed following her sleuthing throughout this unique series. Flavia is bright and amusing, mature beyond her age with a genius for solving murders.



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