

PRAIRIE READER

Ruth Culver Community Library News



DOG MAN'S PAW-SOME MYSTERY


Wednesday, May 7, 4:00pm

Cat Kid has gone missing, and Dog Man needs your help to find him! Craft your Dog Man police hat and begin looking for clues and solving puzzles in the library community room to help uncover where Cat Kid went and why. For grades K-5.

EARLY RELEASE: MARIO MAKER FOOD EDITION

Wednesday, May 21, 2:30pm

School's out early so come to the library for Mario Maker: Food Edition! Create and eat Mario-themed snacks and treats before playing some Mario games in real life! For grades K-5.



**The Library will be closed
Monday, May 26 in
observance of
Memorial Day.**

SPRING BOOK SALE

The Friends of the Ruth Culver Community Library will hold their spring book sale in the library community room **Friday, May 16 (12:00pm-5:30pm) & Saturday, May 17 (9:00am-3:30pm)**. Donations of gently used materials are appreciated (sorry, no nonfiction more than 5 years old, reference materials or magazines) and can be dropped off at the library at any time before the sale.

Volunteers are needed! Opportunities include staffing the sale for a 2-hour shift Friday or Saturday or helping clean-up Monday, May 19. Contact Meagan at mstatzepdslibrary.org if you are interested in helping.

LETTERS FROM CLARA WITH JANET NEWMAN

Thursday, May 15, 6:30pm

In 1936 YWCA member Clara Pagel set off from Wausau, Wisconsin on what would become a three-year world tour, traveling extensively throughout Asia, Africa, and Europe as the world headed towards war. A fascinating collection of letters to her YWCA friends back home documented her many adventures, as Clara witnessed history in the making and described the bombing of Shanghai, Italy under Mussolini, India during one of Gandhi's hunger strikes, and an earthquake in Manila. Now, in **Letters from Clara**, author Janet Newman vividly brings Clara life and letters to light, offering the story of a remarkable, independent woman on an unexpected but fulfilling journey to learn about the world and herself.

The History Makers Tour is presented by Culver's and is made possible in part by the Institute of Museum and Library Services, Grant Number: MA-253159-OMS-23.

MAY TEEN TUESDAYS

High School Drop-In

Tuesday, May 6, 6:45pm

We'll have virtual reality this month! Grades 9-12 only!

Cupcake Decorating

Tuesday, May 13, 6:45pm

It's cupcake decorating time! We'll provide the cupcakes, frosting and toppings, you bring your decorating ideas!

Pop-Tart Taste Test

Tuesday, May 27, 6:45pm

Think you can identify Pop-Tart flavors by taste? Come prove it at our Pop-Tart taste test!

Teen events are especially for grades 6-12. Contact Meagan at mstatzepdslibrary.org with questions.

Free Comic Book Day

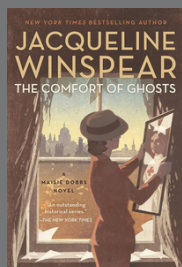
Saturday, May 3

We are participating in Free Comic Book Day again this year! Stop by the library Saturday, May 3 to pick out your FREE comic! All ages welcome!

Functional Stretch & Movement

Wednesdays, May 14 & 28, 9:30am

Instructor Brittney Grimshaw of Stretch Prairie will lead a free functional movement and stretching session.



The Mystery Book Club will meet **Thursday, May 8 at 6:45pm** to discuss *The Comfort of Ghosts* by Jacqueline Winspear. New members are always welcome!

LIBRARY HOURS

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

SUMMER KICK-OFF PARTY

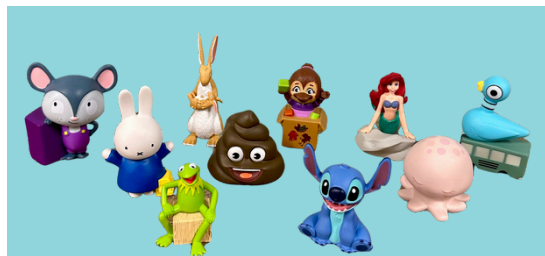
Monday, June 9, 10:00am-12:00pm

Join Miss Bethany and Miss Tori from George Culver Library at the **Riverfront Park and Splash Pad** for a joint storytime at 10:00am to start the summer! From 10:30 to noon, Miss Bethany and Miss Tori will be hanging out at the park. Stop by, pop some bubbles, play at the park, and get signed up for summer reading at both libraries. If there is inclement weather, we will hold the event at the shelter at Culver Community Park.

READ TO TESSA

Saturday, May 10

Appointments are available Saturday, May 10 from 9:15am to 11:00am. You can register your child for a 15-minute time slot on our [website calendar](#), or call the library at 608-643-8318. If your first choice is full, please go back to the library's calendar page and select a different time slot. There are 8 time slots available during Tessa's visit!



We added 10 new Tonies to our collection in April! Tonies play on Tonieboxes, an audio player for kids designed to bring audio stories, music, and learning to life.

JUNE'S BOOK REVIEW

The Eights by Joanna Miller

This historical novel is set in Oxford, England in 1920. Young women are able to be formally admitted to the university for the first time in 1000 years. Rooming together in Corridor Eight are four young women. Beatrice Sparks is the daughter of a suffragette. Marianne Grey the daughter of a vicar. Dora Greenwood is grieving for her brother and fiancé who died in World War I. Lastly, Ottoline Wallace-Kerr is wealthy and outspoken.

Author Miller uses flashbacks providing information about each young woman's experience and background. I enjoyed reading this first novel of "The Eights" coming of age in a world forever changed.



BOUNCING BABIES

A storytime geared for ages 0-23 months focusing on songs, fingerplays, and short books to grow minds and motor skills, Bouncing Babies is held **Fridays at 8:30am**.

TINY TOTS

Tiny Tots is held **Fridays at 10:00am** and is geared towards ages 2-3. Tiny Tots features shorter books, puppets, songs, and movement activities with a playtime afterwards.

Storytime, Tiny Tots & Bouncing Babies will be on break May 12-16.

STORYTIMES

Join Ms. Bethany on **Tuesdays and Thursdays at 10:00am** for movement, music, and stories! Recommended for children ages 3+ but all are welcome.

AMBULANCE STORYTIME!

Thursday, May 22, 10:00am

Join us at the Sauk Prairie EMS building (470 Oak Street, Prairie du Sac) for this special edition of storytime and see an ambulance and its equipment up close!

POKÉMON CLUB

Wednesday, May 28, 4:00pm

Bring your Pokémon cards to the library community room 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.

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Proceeds benefit the Ruth Culver Community Library
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