

PRAIRIE READER

Ruth Culver Community Library News



MONDAY PERFORMERS

Dragon Training

Monday, July 7, 1:00pm

Inventor and Time Traveler Brock Barnabus is traveling to us from the past to recruit dragon trainers. Learn to defend against and tame dragons before getting to meet one.

Great Scott Magic: Magical World of Color

Monday, July 14, 1:00pm

It must be magic! Be prepared to laugh, dream big, and wonder with Scott's unique show of magic and ventriloquy.

Storm Science

Monday, July 21, 1:00pm

Ever wonder what it would be like to chase storms? Hear real life accounts and learn about how massive storms form from real storm scientists.

Let's Go Fishing for Some Great Lakes Fish!

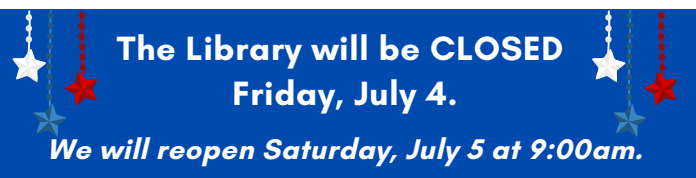
Monday, July 28, 1:00pm

Many things make our Great Lakes very great! They contain 20% of the world's fresh water and 35,000 islands but what swims underwater is what delights and excites us. We'll explore the fish that live in Lake Michigan and Lake Superior and what makes them special. A very special guest Stella Sturgeon is invited to join us! For children ages 3 and above.

ADULT EVENT: 2ND CHANCE CRAFTS

Monday, July 21, 6:00pm

If you missed it the first time, don't miss out again! Leftover supplies will be provided for a variety of crafts that we have done in the past, such as punch needle coasters, color by sticker and fairy garden baskets. Open to ages 18+. Registration is required and can be done online or by calling the library at 608-643-8318. Sponsored by the Friends of the Ruth Culver Community Library.



TEEN TUESDAYS

Stop-Motion Animation

Tuesday, July 1, 6:45pm

Create your own brief movie using stop-motion animation kits and library props.

Build-Your-Own Quesadillas

Tuesday, July 8, 6:45pm

Build your own quesadillas at the library! We'll have ingredients for traditional quesadillas, dessert quesadillas, and more unique options too!

Rubber Duck Squirt Gun Derby

Tuesday, July 15, 6:45pm

Decorate a rubber duck and then use a squirt gun to get your duck across the finish line first. All supplies provided!

Rock, Paper, Scissors Tournament

Tuesday, July 22, 6:45pm

Get your hands ready for an epic Rock, Paper, Scissors battle! Winner will receive a trophy and bragging rights. After the tournament, we'll continue the fun with board games. Let us know your favorites!

Bath Bombs & Shower Steamers

Tuesday, July 29, 6:45pm

Make your own bath bombs and shower steamers. We'll provide all the molds, scents, and ingredients. Wear old clothes!

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

Read to Tessa

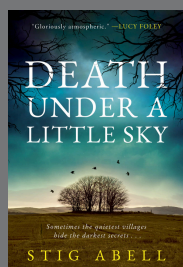
Saturday, July 26

Appointments are available 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.

Functional Stretch & Movement

Wednesdays, July 9 & 23, 9:30am

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



The Mystery Book Club will meet **Thursday, July 10 at 6:45pm** to discuss *Death Under a Little Sky* by Stig Abell. New members are always welcome!

LIBRARY HOURS

Mon-Thur: 9am - 8pm

Fri: 9am - 6pm

Sat: 9am - 4pm

SPECIAL STORYTIMES

Farmer's Market Storytime

Saturday, July 12, 9:30am

Join Miss Bethany and Miss Tori from the Sauk City Library for a special weekend edition of storytime at our local farmer's market! The Market is open from 8:30am to noon at Meyer Oak Grove Park, 780 Phillips Blvd, Sauk City.

Storytime at the Sauk County Fair

Saturday, July 12, 11:00am

Commercial Building, F.A.M.E. Stage
Miss Bethany is doing a storytime at the Sauk County Fair! Admission to the fair is free, and it is a free event. (Different storytime from the Farmer's Market storytime earlier that day!)

Storytime at the Police Station

Tuesday, July 29, 10:00am

Meet School Resource Officer Nick Hayden and tour the Police Station during this special edition of storytime! Meet at the Police Station, 640 13th Street, Prairie du Sac, for storytime at 10:00am with a tour immediately to follow.

POKÉMON CLUB

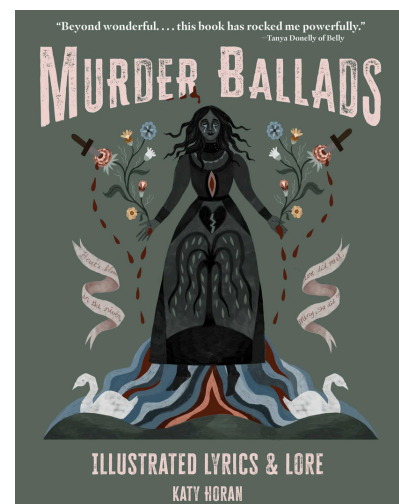
Wednesday, July 30, 4:00pm

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.

JUNE'S BOOK REVIEW

Murder Ballads: Illustrated Lyrics & Lore by Katy Horan

When I was a little girl my brother, who was 12 years older than me, brought home record albums by folksinger Joan Baez. Some of the recordings included collections of songs known as Murder Ballads. These were traditional ballads from England and Scotland. Most of the songs were from the 17th and 18th centuries. These were named Child Ballads after the professor who found them, usually in the Appalachian mountains. A Murder Ballad tells of a killing, almost always the boyfriend or lover killing the girlfriend. When Scots and English settlers moved to America they were still singing these ballads. Some of the titles I remember are: The Cruel Mother; The Silkie; Matty Groves; The Death of Queen Jane; and Mary Hamilton. Enjoying history and songs that tell a story it's no surprise I remember these ballads.



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.

Tiny Tots & Bouncing Babies will be on break July 4.

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.

SUMMER READING CHALLENGES JULY GRAND PRIZES

How are you doing on our summer reading challenges? Don't forget - the first round of grand prizes for children will be drawn July 14 so turn your reading in before then if you want to enter for any of these prizes: Baraboo Children's Museum gift card, Squishmallow and book, art case and sketchbook, or Squishy painting art set.

If you're not registered yet, there's still time! We have challenges for ALL ages!

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