

# PRAIRIE READER

Ruth Culver Community Library News



## OOZING OOBLECK

**Wednesday, September 10, 4:00pm**

Put on your gloves and enjoy some messy exploration in making the substance known as oobleck! Oobleck is neither a solid nor a liquid, and it behaves differently depending on how you handle it. Make your own oobleck to experiment and play with, and find out how this unique substance got its name. For grades K-5.

## EARLY RELEASE:

## MARIO MAKER CRAFT EDITION

**Wednesday, September 17, 2:30pm**

Join us at the library after school for a fun crafting event all about Mario and friends! Make your own mushroom power-up and piranha plant as well as other crafts related to the games. We will also have the Legos out for building imaginary Mario levels or items from the game. For grades K-5. No registration needed.

**Save the Date: Swiftober Album Release Party!**  
**Friday, October 3, 6:00pm**  
**Registration opens Friday, September 5!**

## LIBRARY CARD SIGN-UP MONTH

September is Library Card Sign-Up Month! Why buy when you can borrow? With a library card, you get free access to books, movies, magazines, newspapers, study tools, Internet access, and more. It's the most valuable card in



your wallet so make sure yours is up-to-date! To celebrate, we're giving away our new stickers and free replacement library cards all September long! Thank you to Lee Hermosillo for designing the sticker.

## SNACK SHOP RECEIVES DONATION

Prairie du Sac Utilities recently donated \$1,000 to the library's Free Little Snack Shop. The village utility is a member owner of joint action agency WPPI Energy, which provides funding for community organizations and projects. This donation has significant impact on our ability to continue to provide snacks for all ages and is greatly appreciated.

The Little Free Snack Shop provides access to a variety of ready-to-eat snacks and heat-and-serve meals for all ages. In 2024, we gave out a whopping 9,868 items. If you'd like to contribute to the snack cabinet, please contact the library to discuss options including an Amazon wish list.

## SEPTEMBER TEEN EVENTS

### Cookies & (Ice) Cream

**Tuesday, September 9, 6:45pm**

Make your own custom ice cream sandwiches from the variety of cookies and ice cream provided! Contact Meagan with allergy concerns.

### Purchasing & Planning Party

**Tuesday, September 23, 6:45pm**

Help Meagan decide what to PURCHASE (books for the library collection, or craft supplies for in-library use) and PLAN (themes for upcoming Teen Tuesdays, activities for monthly take and make bags) and eat lots of SNACKS!

Teen Tuesdays are intended for grades 6-12. No registration is needed.

### High School Drop-In

**Tuesday, October 7, 6:45pm**

Hang out, eat snacks, play games, paint or make something! This event is for grades 9-12 only! No registration is needed.

## Read to Tessa Saturday, September 20

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.



The Mystery Book Club will meet **Thursday, September 11 at 6:45pm** to discuss mysteries by **Peter Lovesey**. New members are always welcome!

## LIBRARY HOURS

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

## POKÉMON CLUB

**Wednesday, September 24, 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.

## RAPTOR DAYS

**Saturday, September 27, 10:00am**

In partnership with the Ferry Bluff Eagle Council, the Raptor Education Group Inc., and the Southern Wisconsin Bird Alliance, we are hosting a family friendly Raptor Days event here at the library! Join us for a brief storytime, see a live raptor up close, and learn more about these amazing creatures through a variety of hands-on activities.

## SUMMER CHALLENGES A SUCCESS!

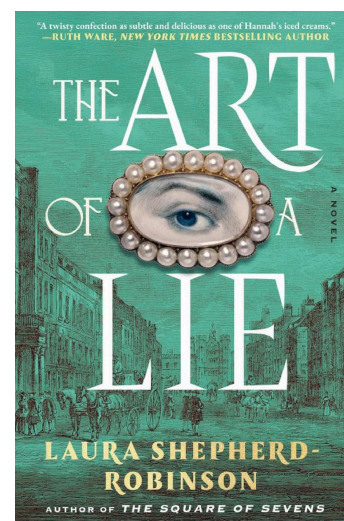
Congratulations to all the participants in our summer reading challenges! We had record numbers of teens and adults complete the challenges this year - well done! We've also drawn the final children's grand prize winners. Congratulations to:

Macy (Kindle Fire)  
Anastasia (Riv Gift Certificate)  
Clara (Crayola Magic Light Brush Set)  
We can't wait for next summer!

## JUNE'S BOOK REVIEW

***The Art of a Lie* by Laura Shepherd-Robinson**

In 18th century London widowed Hannah Cole is struggling to keep her confectionary shop open. Her husband Jonas is dead, believed to have been murdered. Hannah is waiting for the money from his estate to be paid to her. However, a magistrate, Henry Fielding, comes to inform her he believes the 1000 pounds in the account was obtained illegally. Hannah might never receive the cash. Not long after this a young man comes to her shop and asks if iced crème is served there. Hannah has never heard of iced crème. The wealthy young man, William Deveraux, tells Hannah it is an Italian dessert. He also mentions he was a friend of her late husband. Mr. Deveraux becomes a friend. He starts to help her solve her husband's murder. The pair become very close, until one day Hannah hears a man on the street address William by a different name. She begins to suspect things are not as they seem.



## 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**.

**All storytimes start back up the week of September 8th.**

## 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.

## 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.

## STORYTIME VISITOR

The red Dragon from the book *Dragons Love Tacos* will be visiting schools, storytimes, and daycares September 29 through October 3! Because of this, our storytime schedule may differ during that week. Please check our calendar towards the end of September for up-to-date information and when you'll be able to see Dragon.



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