



Letter from the President of the Friends

Greetings Friends!

Have you ever wondered what the Friends of the Ruth Culver Community Library do?

"The purpose of this non-profit educational corporation shall be 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; and to encourage the broadest possible use of its facilities, materials, and services."



Friends President Carl Hoffman presents the annual donation to library staff member Meagan Statz

And how do we do that? The Friends provide funding to the library for youth, teen and adult programming. Funding also helps to purchase equipment making the library more accessible for the community. This funding comes from generous monetary gifts from donors like you.

Volunteerism is also a large part of how the Friends meet their purpose. Volunteers provide precious gifts of time to help with the Spring and Fall Book Sales. Volunteers plant, weed, and nurture the beautiful flower gardens. And volunteers plan and

coordinate the annual Golf Outing fundraiser. (This year's Golf Outing is September 7. Save the date!)

The Friends are managed by a Board of Directors. Each year the Friends Annual Membership meeting is held in March and is open to all members of the community. At the meeting we will nominate and vote on the Board Officers and Directors. The Board meets six times a year, every other month, for about one hour. The Officers are elected for one year terms and Directors are elected for two year terms. If you are interested in being on the Friends Board I encourage you to attend the March 23 meeting at 6:30pm in the Community Room of the Ruth Culver Community Library.

If you would like more information about the Friends, being involved with volunteering, or being a Director or Officer feel free to contact the Library or any Board member.

Thank you for being a Friend!

Carl Hoffman, Friends President

Friends of the Ruth Culver
Community Library

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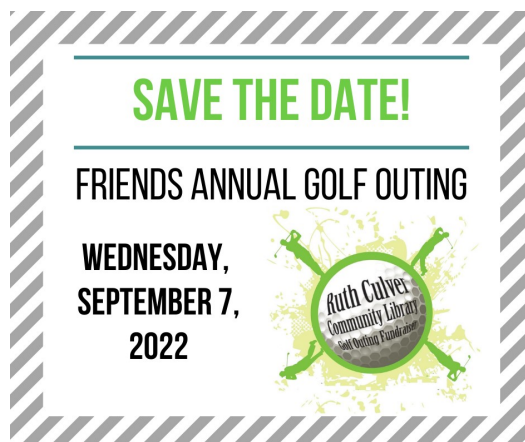
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Friends Spring Book Sale

The Friends of the Ruth Culver Community Library Spring Book Sale will be held in the library community room **Friday, May 13, and Saturday, May 14**. All sales are by donation and proceeds will go to the Friends' support of the library.

Donations of gently used materials are accepted, with a limit of 2 boxes per person (sorry, no encyclopedias, magazines, or nonfiction more than 5 years old).

Volunteers are also needed! Opportunities include helping unpack boxes and setup Thursday, May 12 (1:00pm), staffing the sale for a 2-hour shift Friday or Saturday, or helping with clean-up Monday, May 16 (9:00am). Contact Meagan at 608-643-8318 or mstatz@pdslibrary.org if you are interested.



Save the Date: 2022 Golf Outing

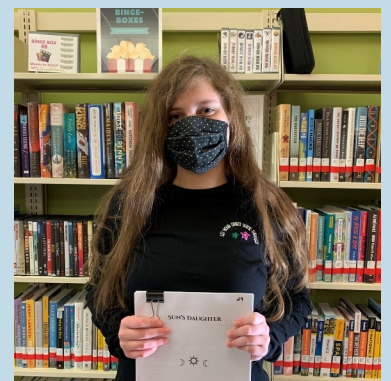
Mark your calendars for the annual golf outing and dinner to be held at Lake Wisconsin Country Club on Wednesday, September 7, 2022. Volunteers are needed to help plan, publicize and run the outing, prepare mailings, and more. Meetings will start in April/May. Please contact the library at 608-643-8318 or mstatz@pdslibrary.org if you are interested in volunteering in any way. Sponsorship opportunities begin at \$100. Further information will be available in the summer newsletter and on the library website (pdslibrary.org) in June.

Annual Contribution to Library

The Friends Board of Directors approved the annual contribution to the library at their meeting held January 26. Among the items funded from the library's wish list are:

- Additional tables for the community room to allow for increased capacity at in-person events
- Speakers and workshops for adults
- Lucky Day book collection
- Summer Reading Challenges
- Contest Prizes
- Enhancements to library lighting and technology

Thank you, Friends, for making this contribution possible!





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2021-2022 Friends Board of Directors

Thank you to our 2021-2022 Board of Directors!

- CARL HOFFMAN, PRESIDENT
- LYNN ESSER, VICE-PRESIDENT
- BILL CAMPBELL, TREASURER
- LORIN WEILER, SECRETARY
- MARY BRENNAN, DIRECTOR
- BUD DOMAGATA, DIRECTOR
- NANCY MASCHMAN, DIRECTOR
- KRIS RILLING, DIRECTOR
- LISA SCHWARZ, DIRECTOR

Annual Meeting

The Annual Meeting of the Friends of the Ruth Culver Community Library will be held Wednesday, March 23 at 6:30pm in the library community room. Election of Officers and Directors will take place. We are looking for a few good Friends to help fill openings on the Board, which meets 6 times per year and makes important contributions in a multitude of ways including fundraising and volunteering. Please contact Meagan Statz at mstatz@pdslibrary.org or 608-643-8318 if you are interested in learning more.



2022 Meeting Dates

The 2022 meeting dates for the Friends of the Ruth Culver Community Library are:

- Wednesday, March 23 (Annual Meeting)
- Wednesday, May 25
- Wednesday, July 27
- Wednesday, September 28
- Thursday, November 17

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 _____

☐ In Honor of _____

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) _____

☐ I prefer for my generosity to remain anonymous

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

The Friends of the Ruth Culver Community Library is a 501(c)(3) organization. Contributions are tax-deductible to the extent permitted by law.



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

Monday, February 28, 2022, 9:15am

Join certified Mindfulness Meditation Teacher Diane Matzke for February's drop-in mindfulness sessions in the library's community room. No registration is required. This week we will practice using Mindfulness to help create and keep resolutions. If you can't make it in February, watch the library's online calendar and newsletter for more sessions to be scheduled in March. Contact Meagan at 608-643-8318 or mstatz@pdslibrary.org with questions.

Sauk Prairie Cocoa Crawl

Saturday, March 5, 2022, 10:00am-2:00pm

We are excited to be a stop in the Sauk Prairie Cocoa Crawl! Visit participating businesses in the Sauk Prairie area where you will enjoy some hot cocoa and treats at each stop! Tickets can be purchased at Bruner Realty Group or Country Sass Gifts at 525 Water St, Prairie du Sac, or 3 Generations! Tickets are \$3 per person. Money will be donated equally to the Village of Sauk City & Village of Prairie du Sac. Funds will be used to beautify the streets. More information is available on the library's Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/pdslibrary>.

How to Go Paperless or Continue to Receive Newsletter by Mail

The Friends' group is looking for ways to make the mailing of this newsletter more cost efficient while at the same time guaranteeing that those who want to receive the newsletter continue to do so. We are considering removing from the mailing list (not the Email list) those of you who have not been active for the past several years.

If you received this issue by mail and have not contributed recently please take one of the following steps to assure you receive this newsletter in the future.

1. Go paperless! Send your Email address to Meagan Statz at mstatz@pdslibrary.org. By doing this you also will receive the monthly newsletter of the Ruth Culver Community Library which will help keep you up to date on upcoming library events and happenings.
2. Send Meagan a note that you wish to continue to receive the newsletter by mail.
3. Make a current contribution to the Friends' group using the coupon in this newsletter.

Craft-Your-Own-Ribbon Wreath

Monday, March 21, 2022, 6:30pm



Learn how to make a ribbon wreath to decorate your home for spring! All supplies will be provided. This event will be held in person and space is limited. Registration is required and can be done online at ruthculver.librarycalendar.com/events/craft-your-own-ribbon-wreath or by calling the library. Open to ages 18+. Contact Charlene at 608-643-8318 or cbauman@pdslibrary.org with questions. Sponsored by the Friends of the Ruth Culver Community Library.



In-Person Events Return!

While they've looked a little bit different, the library has been able to welcome back some in-person events, including craft workshops, the Friends fall book sale, and author Jennifer Rude Klett's November talk, which was sponsored by the Friends. We look forward to more in-person events to come!

