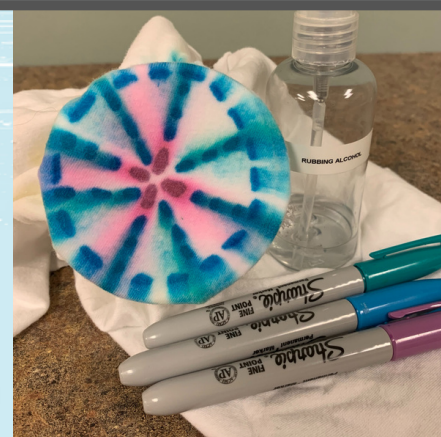


# PRAIRIE READER

Ruth Culver Community Library News



## NEW EVENTS CALENDAR

As we slowly start to host some small in-person events, we are excited to debut a new events calendar on our website. You can get to the calendar through the link on our [homepage](#) or by going straight to [ruthculver.librarycalendar.com](http://ruthculver.librarycalendar.com). Most events require registration as space is limited, and you can register online through the new calendar! Contact the library at 608-643-8318 with questions.

### Study Rooms

The lower level study rooms are now open by reservation! You can make your own reservations online ([ruthculver.librarycalendar.com/reserve-room](http://ruthculver.librarycalendar.com/reserve-room)) or you can contact the staff for assistance. The community room remains closed at this time.

**We are open and expanding to our new permanent hours!**

Monday-Thursday: 9:00am-8:00pm

Friday: 9:00am-6:00pm

Saturday: 9:00am-4:00pm

## CRAFTS IN THE PARK: MAGIC FLASHLIGHT

Join us **Monday, June 21** at Marion Park (145 1st Street, Prairie du Sac) to make a magic flashlight craft – no flashlight required! What secrets of the night will your flashlight reveal?

**Registration is required** and can be done online at [ruthculver.librarycalendar.com](http://ruthculver.librarycalendar.com). We will hold two sessions of this event (1:00pm-2:00pm and 2:00pm-3:00pm). Please register for one session only. This program is recommended for grades K-5. Contact Heather Phelps at 608-643-8318 or [hphelps@pdslibrary.org](mailto:hphelps@pdslibrary.org) with questions.

## TEEN TUESDAYS

Teen Tuesdays return in-person with Sharpie Tie-Dye **Tuesday, June 8 at 6:45pm** and Game Night **Tuesday, June 22 at 6:45pm**. Registration is required and can be done online at [ruthculver.librarycalendar.com](http://ruthculver.librarycalendar.com). Teen Tuesdays are especially for grades 6-12. Contact Meagan at [mstatz@pdslibrary.org](mailto:mstatz@pdslibrary.org) or 608-643-8318 with questions.

Monthly **Teen Tuesday bags** continue this summer, no registration required. Just ask for June's bag at the desk, available in the library starting Wednesday June 9!

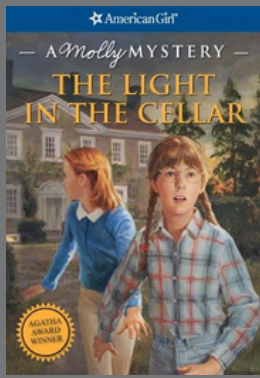
## SAVE THE DATE

Mark your calendar for the Friends of the Ruth Culver Community Library Golf Outing & Dinner to be held September 8, 2021!

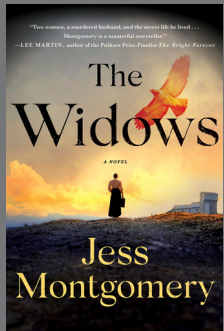


## ADULT TAKE & MAKE DIY TINTED GLASS JARS

The June Take & Make activity for adults is a DIY tinted glass jar. Using modge podge and food coloring, turn a clear jar into a colorfully tinted one, and add gold or silver designs with a paint pen. All supplies except food coloring provided! Bags will be available for pickup at the front desk, no registration required, beginning June 16 (while supplies last). Thank you to the Friends of the Ruth Culver Community Library for sponsoring this activity. Contact Charlene at 608-643-8318 or [cbauman@pdslibrary.org](mailto:cbauman@pdslibrary.org) with questions. *This activity can be completed at your convenience. No virtual or in-person event will be held.*



*The Children's Book Club will meet in-person at Marion Park Wednesday, June 16 at 4:00pm. Registration is required. Copies of the book are available in the library.*



*The Mystery Book Club will meet Thursday, June 10 at 6:45pm to discuss mysteries by Jess Montgomery. Copies are available on display in the library. Please wear a mask.*

## LIBRARY HOURS

**Mon-Thur: 9am - 8pm**

**Fri: 9am - 6pm**

**Sat: 9am - 4pm**

# SUMMER READING CHALLENGES

**Registration begins June 8 for ALL ages! Challenges run June 14-August 20.**

All reading will be logged online through Beanstack. Visit the library's Beanstack page (<http://pdslibrary.beanstack.org>) to get started in three simple steps.

1. Create an account. (If you participated last year you can use the same account!)
2. Register yourself and/or additional family members for reading challenges.
3. Start reading to earn badges and enter to win prizes!

## Children's Challenge

Explore Tails and Tales with the Ruth Culver Community Library and Beanstack this summer! Log the minutes you read to earn badges and rewards. You can also earn rewards through attending library programs, writing reviews, and completing activity challenges.

## Teen & Adult Challenges

Log the time you spend reading this summer. Each minute you read will earn you an entry in our grand prize drawings for gift cards at the end of the challenge. ANY reading counts...print books, eBooks, magazines, audiobooks, newspapers. As a bonus, you'll earn a small chocolate treat just for signing up and teens earn free books along the way! Don't stop reading after you earn the completion badge - reading beyond the final badge still earns entries in the prize drawing!

# DROP-IN CHILDREN'S SUMMER ACTIVITIES

## Town Scavenger Hunt (June 14-19)

Stop by the library to get a record sheet then head out on a hunt through Prairie du Sac to find the book covers hidden around town. Can you find them all before the week is up?

## Virtual Pet Show (June 28-July 3)

Drop off a photo or drawing of your pet - or dream pet - to the library by Saturday, June 26 to be a contestant in our virtual pet show! Then stop by during the week of June 28-July 3 to grab a scorecard and vote on your favorite! Which pet will be named Best in Show?

# JUNE'S BOOK REVIEW

*Extra Life: a Short History of Living Longer* by Steven Johnson

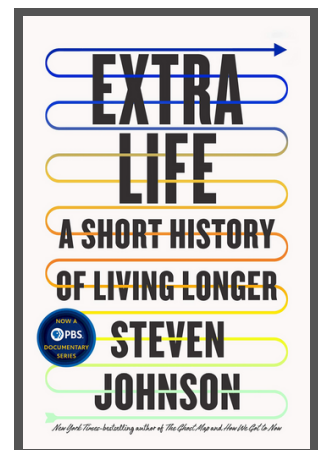
The human species life expectancy has doubled in the last 100 years from 40 to 80 years. How has this happened? Scientists were able to build on predecessors' accomplishments. We honor our war heroes and astronauts but misunderstand which things are likely to kill us or save us. Of eight innovations that saved lives by the hundreds of millions, six are against infectious diseases such as cholera, smallpox etc. Of course antibiotics and blood transfusions played a major roll and pasteurization and government mandates of seatbelts. I found this book easily understood and interesting.

# STORYTIME IN THE PARK

Join Miss Heather for movement, music, and stories at in-person storytimes at Marion Park! Storytimes recommended for children ages 2+ will be held **Tuesdays and Thursdays at 10:00am**. Registration required as space is limited. (Only one registration per family is needed!)

# BABY SONGS IN THE PARK

Join Miss Heather for movement, music, and stories at Baby Songs Storytime in Marion Park! Recommended for children ages 0-2, Baby Songs will be held **Fridays at 10:00am**. Registration required as space is limited. (Only one registration needed per family!) Online registration available at <https://ruthculver.librarycalendar.com>.



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