PRAIRIE READER

Ruth Culver Community Library News





OPEN BY APPOINTMENT, DROP-INS OK AS SPACE ALLOWS

The Ruth Culver Community Library is currently open for browsing the collection, computer use and other basic services by appointment. Appointments are on the hour and can be made by calling 608-643-8318. In most cases, you will be able to come the same day and even name the hour you'd like to come. Evening appointments are especially easy to get. **Drop-in visits are accepted as space allows**; just knock at the inside door. Please maintain social distancing and wear a mask while you are here, even if you are only briefly in the lobby.

Lobby Pickup

This service remains available to those that wish to utilize it. We will gather your items, bag and label them, and then place them on a table in the lobby for pick-up. No appointment needed; just call the library before you arrive. Curbside service is also available if you do not wish to enter the building or are unable to wear a mask.



Have you earned your free treats from Culver's of Sauk City yet? Bookmarks to participate in the **Culver's Winter Reading Program** are available in the library lobby.

One per person please.

TAX FORMS

Tax forms are available in the lobby for pickup during regular library hours, no appointments required. We receive only the most popular forms, but many can be printed online. Visit www.irs.gov/forms-instructions (Federal) or www.revenue.wi.gov/Pages/Individuals/income.aspx (State) to find your forms.

ADULT TAKE & MAKE: WASHER NECKLACES

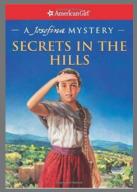
The next Take & Make bag for adults will have the supplies needed to create your own unique scrapbook paper washer necklace. Bags will be available for pick-up beginning on March 8. **Supplies are limited; registration is required**. Call the library at 608-643-8318 to reserve your supplies. There will not be a Zoom meeting for this craft, but your bag will include easy to follow instructions. Contact Charlene 608-643-8318 with questions. Thank you to the Friends of the Ruth Culver Community Library for sponsoring this activity.

TEEN ACTIVE MIND, ACTIVE BODY CHALLENGE

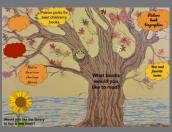
March 1 - March 31, 2021, open to grades 6-12

Challenge yourself to have an active mind and body by reading at least 15 minutes and moving your body for at least 15 minutes every day in March. Any reading and any movement counts! At the end of the challenge, one random eligible winner will receive a \$50 Amazon gift card! Register for the challenge and log your activity at pdslibrary.beanstack.org.

To kick off the challenge, one of the Teen Tuesdays at Home activities in March will be to customize a water bottle. (Register for your March bag at pdslibrary.org.) Contact Meagan with questions. This project is funded in part by a Healthy Life Initiative Grant from the Sauk Prairie Healthcare Foundation.



March pick for the virtual Book Club for grades 3-5!



Wondering what to read with your kids next? Check out the virtual displays of children's books on the <u>library website</u>.

New displays include Women's History
Month and farms.

Click on a book, and you'll be taken to the library catalog where you can put it on hold.

LIBRARY HOURS

Mon-Thur: 9am - 8pm Fri: 9am - 4pm Sat: 9am - 1pm

CHILDREN'S VIRTUAL BOOK CLUB

Our children's book club meets on the third Wednesday of every month at **4:00pm** for a virtual book discussion. On **March 17** we'll be discussing *Secrets in the Hills: A Josefina Mystery* by Kathleen Ernst. Ask for a copy from the library and join us via Zoom at: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84507228681. Contact Heather Phelps with questions.

MAKER MONDAYS BAGS

Maker Monday craft bags are continuing every other week this spring. New bags will be out March 1, 15 and 29. Weeks will typically have one craft aimed at younger children (preschool and kindergarten) and one aimed at older children (elementary school age), with a coloring sheet available as well. Bags are available in the library lobby while supplies last. Contact Heather Phelps at 608-643-8318 with questions.

VIRTUAL STORYTIME WITH MISS HEATHER

Weekly storytimes are held live virtually every Thursday at 10:00am for children ages 2+. Storytimes are interactive and include books, songs, and movement. Join us via Zoom at: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81229896631. Contact Heather Phelps at 608-643-8318 or hphelps@pdslibrary.org with questions.

BABY SONGS

Tune in to weekly videos on our Facebook page (facebook.com/pdslibrary) of songs, fingerplays, and activities that you can do with your 0-2 year olds. A new video is posted every Tuesday.

IUNE'S BOOK REVIEW

The Other Bennet Sister by Janice Hadlow

This author's debut historical novel features the overlooked middle daughter from Jane Austin's *Pride and Prejudice*. Born lacking the beauty and style of her sisters Jane and Elizabeth, Mary is bookish and awkward. Her sisters make brilliant marriages.

When Mr. Bennet, dies Mrs. Bennet goes to live with the rich sisters. Mary stays awhile with the Collins, the Bingleys, and the Darcys but soon feels out of place and in the way. Finally she is invited to visit her aunt Gardiner in London. Slowly Mary learns to value herself and begins to make friends. Her journey from forgotten and dismissed is an enjoyable read.

TREE MURAL

Get ready for spring by helping us decorate the tree mural in the children's area with colorful blossoms! Grab some paper flowers from the tray in the library lobby, decorate them in any way you'd like, and return them to the library. Then stop by next month to see your creations up on the tree!

TEEN TUESDAYS AT HOME

Registration for March Teen Tuesday bags is open. Fill out the form at <u>pdslibrary.org</u> to select which activities you'd like to receive. Bags will have supplies for a customized aluminum water bottle, St. Patrick's Day Puppy Chow, DIY Push Pins, and Light-Up Paper Helicopter. You can choose 1, 2, 3 or all 4!

Teen Tuesdays are open to grades 6-12. Optional Zoom gatherings will be held at 6:45pm on Tuesdays, March 9 and 23. Links are available on our <u>website calendar</u>. Contact Meagan at 643-8318 or mstatzepdslibrary.org with questions.

