

# PRAIRIE READER

Ruth Culver Community Library News



## CRAFT-YOUR-OWN: RIBBON WREATH

Learn how to make a ribbon wreath to decorate your home for spring! This event will be held in-person at the library **Monday, March 21 at 6:30pm**. All supplies will be provided. Space is limited. Registration is required and can be done by calling the library at 608-643-8318 or online at [ruthculver.librarycalendar.com/events/craft-your-own-ribbon-wreath](https://ruthculver.librarycalendar.com/events/craft-your-own-ribbon-wreath). Open to ages 18+. Sponsored by the Friends of the Ruth Culver Community Library. Contact Charlene with questions.

## TEEN TUESDAYS

Build your own spin art machine at the library **Tuesday, March 8 at 6:45pm**. Then use it and see what you can create! All supplies will be provided.

Join us at our monthly pop-up makerspace for teens **Tuesday, March 22 at 6:45pm**. We will bring out a variety of supplies and equipment - you can make whatever you want with them! Board games will still be available if you prefer game night.

**Registration is required** for in-person events and can be done online at [ruthculver.librarycalendar.com](https://ruthculver.librarycalendar.com). Teen Tuesdays are especially for grades 6-12. Masks are requested. Contact Meagan at 608-643-8318 or [mstatz@pdslibrary.org](mailto:mstatz@pdslibrary.org) with questions.

**Teen Tuesday bags** for March will be available beginning Wednesday, March 9, no registration required. This month get supplies to build a spin art machine, lava lamp lip gloss, flavored chapstick, and a candy maze. Just ask for your bag at the desk (while supplies last).

## LEGO BUILDING DAY!

We're bringing back the legos for spring break! Join us **Wednesday, March 16 from 2:00pm-3:30pm**. Build whatever you want, take a picture, and display it in the library. Children under 6 must be accompanied by an adult. Space is limited. Registration is required and can be done by calling the library at 608-643-8318 or online at [ruthculver.librarycalendar.com/events/spring-break-lego-day](https://ruthculver.librarycalendar.com/events/spring-break-lego-day). Contact Meagan with questions.

## FULL STEAM AHEAD

Explore science, technology, engineering, art, and math at our monthly after school club for kids in grades K-5th. We meet the first Wednesday of every month at **4:00pm** in the community room. On **March 2**, learn about hot air balloons, then build a balloon basket that can lift a LEGO person up, up, and away! On **April 6**, carve a design in foam, add some paint or marker, and try your hand at printmaking! Wear old clothes! Registration is required and can be done online at [ruthculver.librarycalendar.com](https://ruthculver.librarycalendar.com) or by calling the library at 608-643-8318.

## FRIENDS ANNUAL MEETING

Calling All Library Friends and Lovers! The Election of Officers and Directors of the Friends of Ruth Culver Community Library will take place at the Friends of the Ruth Culver Community Library Annual Meeting, **Wednesday, March 23 at 6:30pm**. Come meet us! Refreshments, Door Prizes, and Board Members will be on hand to answer any questions. Stay for our meeting and see for yourself what the Friends do to support our amazing library, and then join our board! It's a great time to get involved! The Friends Board meets 6 times per year.



We have a new doll coming to our collection! Toby will be available for check out this month!



The Mystery Book Club will meet Thursday, March 10 at 6:45pm to discuss Irish mysteries. Copies are available on display in the library.

## LIBRARY HOURS

Mon-Thu: 9am - 8pm

Fri: 9am - 6pm

Sat: 9am - 4pm

## HOT COCOA CRAWL

We are excited to be a stop in the Sauk Prairie Hot Cocoa Crawl **Saturday, March 5 from 10:00am to 2:00pm!** 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>.

## SAVE THE DATE!

Mark your calendar for these events coming up in May!

### • Free Comic Book Day

Saturday, May 7

We are participating in Free Comic Book Day again this year! Stop by the library to pick out your free comic and enter to win door prizes!

### • Friends of the Library Book Sale

Friday, May 13 & Saturday, May 14

Pick out some gently used books and support the library at the same time! Donations of gently used materials are accepted in advance, with a limit of 2 boxes and no nonfiction more than 5 years old.

## JUNE'S BOOK REVIEW

### *Jane and the Year Without a Summer* by Stephanie Barron

This is the 14th book in a series about author Jane Austen solving mysteries in the early 1800s. This book is set in 1816. Jane has traveled with her sister Cassandra to Cheltenham Spa in Gloucestershire, England. The sisters have rented rooms at Mrs. Potter's boarding house. All is well until wheelchair-bound Miss Williams arrives with her companion, Miss Fox.

Soon grumpy parson Garthwaite and his sister check in. One evening a gentleman friend of Jane's escorts the sisters to a musical performance where Miss Williams is shocked to see her husband. She is really Lady Portreath! A few days later a murder takes place.

The title of the book refers to the real life eruption of Mount Tambora in the South Pacific in 1816, which caused climate change around the world for 16 months.

Author Barron does a good job of bringing historical facts into her fiction.



## STORYTIMES

Storytimes are back in-person at the Ruth Culver Community Library! Until we hire our new Children's Librarian, Miss Lauren is filling in! Join her on **Thursdays at 10:00am** for movement, music, and stories in the library community room, and stay after for playtime!

Recommended for children ages 2+. Register online at [ruthculver.librarycalendar.com](http://ruthculver.librarycalendar.com) or by calling the library at 608-643-8318. More storytimes will be added once we have our new librarian, so watch our calendar for updates!

## MAKER BAGS

The library will have new Maker Bags for children in preK-K and grades 1-5 every other week in March (14 & 28). Grab a bag from the display in the library or call to request lobby pick-up. Bags are available while supplies last.

## 2022 BOOK AWARDS

**John Newbery Medal** (most outstanding contribution to children's literature): *The Last Cuentista* by Donna Barba Higuera

**Randolph Caldecott Medal** (most distinguished American picture book for children): *Watercress* illustrated by Jason Chin, written by Andrea Wang

**Coretta Scott King Book Award** (recognizing an African American author and illustrator of outstanding books for children and young adults): *Unspeakable: The Tulsa Race Massacre* written by Carole Boston Weatherford & illustrated by Floyd Cooper

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