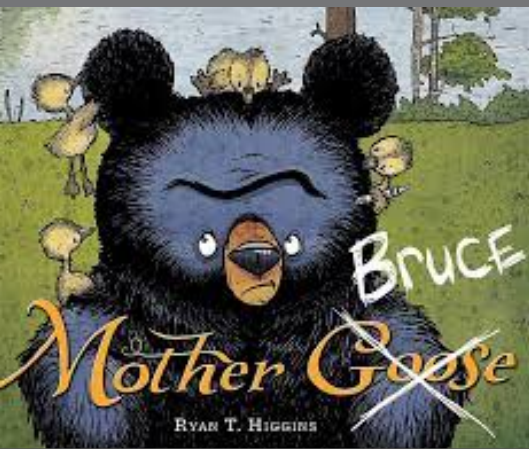


PRAIRIE READER

Ruth Culver Community Library News



LIBRARY OPENING MAY 1!

The Ruth Culver Community Library is open as of May 1, no appointments or knocking required! Please continue to wear a mask and practice social distancing while you are here.

Lobby Pickup

Lobby Pickup will remain available for those who wish to use it. Just give us a call at 608-643-8318 to have us bag your materials and place them on the table in the lobby.

Computers

We now have five computers open for patron use, including two on the lower level, and have returned to the original 2-hour time limits. Reservations are no longer necessary but can still be made if you'd like to guarantee yourself a specific time or computer. We have also opened a LINKcat station for searching the catalog or placing holds.

Study Rooms

The lower level study rooms will reopen by reservation later this month, so watch for us to debut this new system, along with a new events calendar that will allow you to register for events online.

VIRTUAL AUTHOR VISIT: TERRI SORG

Wisconsin Dells author and retired registered nurse Terri Sorg will speak virtually **Tuesday, May 18 at 6:30pm**. Her "Heart Fairy" series for kids and parents about the importance of loving yourself has a unique way of matching their messages to what's on the minds and moods of many families across the country. The author will talk about reducing anxiety in families from her own personal experiences but also as a mental health professional. Zoom link available at www.pdslibrary.org.

ADULT TAKE & MAKE PAINTED WOOD SIGNS

The May Take & Make activity for adults is a painted wood sign. You'll get all the supplies you need, including a wooden base, stencils and paint, to make your choice of two different designs. Bags will be available for pickup at the front desk, no registration required, beginning May 6 (while supplies last). Thank you to the Friends of the Ruth Culver Community Library for sponsoring this activity. Contact Meagan at 608-643-8318 or mstatz@pdslibrary.org with questions. *This activity can be completed at your convenience. No virtual or in-person event will be held.*

**The Library will be closed
Monday, May 31 in observance
of Memorial Day.**

STORYWALK

Enjoy the spring weather with a family walk down Water Street as you read our spring StoryWalk book: *Mother Bruce* by Ryan T. Higgins. The story starts on the front doors of the library and continues, page by page, in business windows up and down the street. Many thanks to all the participating businesses!

The StoryWalk® Project was created by Anne Ferguson of Montpelier, VT, and developed in collaboration with the Kellogg-Hubbard Library. Storywalk® is a registered service mark owned by Ms. Ferguson.



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



Celebrate Migratory
Bird Day on May 8th
by exploring our
display of bird books
in the children's area!
Then check out a pair
of binoculars or a
whole birdwatching
kit to see how many
birds you can spot
throughout the
village.

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 **May 19** we'll be discussing *Lady Margaret's Ghost: A Felicity Mystery* by Elizabeth McDavid Jones. Join Felicity as she investigates a set of mysterious - and possibly haunted - silver heirlooms. Ask for a copy from the library and join us via Zoom at: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84507228681>.

MAKER MONDAYS BAGS

Maker Monday craft bags are continuing every other week this spring (May 10 and 24). Weeks 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 while supplies last. Collect yours inside the library or request bags with your curbside pickup. Contact Heather Phelps at 608-643-8318 with questions.

CD PLAYERS FOR CHECKOUT

Interested in listening to an audiobook or music CD, but don't have a CD player handy? We've got you covered thanks to a generous gift from the Friends of the Library. We're adding to our collection with a boombox that can play CDs, cassette tapes, and the radio, plus a portable CD player with headphones to listen to music on the go.

TEEN TUESDAY BAGS

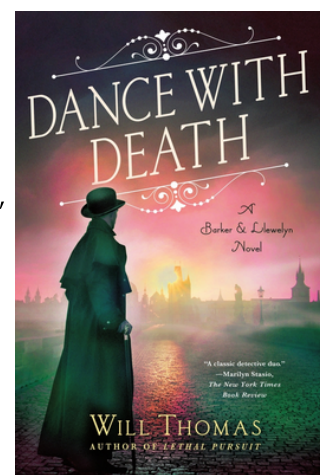
May Teen Tuesday bags will be available by May 10. This month teens will get supplies to make Shrinky Dinks, Pac-Man Tic Tac Toe, Origami, and Pudding Beach Cups. Registration is no longer required; just drop by the library to pick one up (while supplies last). Lobby pickup is available. Call us at 608-643-8318 to have one put out for you.

Teen Tuesdays are open to grades 6-12. Optional Zoom gatherings will be held at 6:45pm on Tuesdays, May 11 and 25. Links are available on our [website calendar](#). Contact Meagan at 608-643-8318 or mstatz@pdslibrary.org with questions.

JUNE'S BOOK REVIEW

Dance with Death by Will Thomas

In June 1893 Tsarevich Nicholas, son of the Tsar/King of Russia, comes to London to attend the wedding of his lookalike cousin George, grandson of Queen Victoria. Nicholas is accompanied by his guards. However, an anarchist tries to shoot cousin George, who he believes is Nicholas. Private detectives Cyrus Barker and his colleague Thomas Llewelyn are asked to help protect the Tsarevich. Many anti-royalty groups and communists are angry about the royal visit. The search for the would-be assassins leads Barker and Llewelyn through high society and low. This is the thirteenth book in this series. I enjoy historical mysteries and this one held my interest.



IN-PERSON STORYTIME

Join us for movement, music, and stories as in-person storytimes resume this month in Marion Park! Storytimes for children (recommended ages 2+) will be held Tuesdays and Thursdays at 10:00am. Storytimes for babies (recommended ages 0-2) will be held Fridays at 10:00am.

Registration is required as space is limited.

Contact the library to sign up. All storytimes will take place in the shelters at Marion Park (145 1st St.) and we ask that everyone ages 2+ wears a mask. Contact Heather Phelps at 608-643-8318 or hphelps@pdslibrary.org with questions.

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