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Ruth Culver Community Library News

THE U.S. DOUGHBOY EXPERIENCE & WRITING 'ALAMO DOUGHBOY'

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 11:00AM

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RUTH CULVER COMMUNITY LIBRARY

Full STEAM Ahead: Parachutes

Wed, Nov. 3 4 pm

For kids K-5th grade. Registration required.



THE U.S. DOUGHBOY EXPERIENCE AND WRITING 'ALAMO DOUGHBOY'

Jennifer Rude Klett, author of *Alamo Doughboy: Marching into the Heart of Kaiser's Germany during World War I*, will speak in-person at the Ruth Culver Community Library **Saturday, November 6 at 11:00am**, with a timely talk just before Veteran's Day. The book is a true story that captures the lost experiences and mindset of the American doughboys fighting in the Great War. The book is a personal history about an infantry private from the Midwest who desperately fought the Germans from the trenches on the front line, along with his two brothers and two cousins, one of whom was a member of the legendary Lost Battalion. --Summary from Amazon.com. Registration is requested and can be done online at <https://ruthculver.librarycalendar.com/> or by calling the library at 608-643-8318. Please wear a mask. Sponsored by the Friends of the Ruth Culver Community Library. Signed copies of *Alamo Doughboy* will be available for \$19.95, cash or checks accepted. Copies of the author's new book, *Home Cooking Comeback: Neighborly Advice & 40 Pleasing Recipes from the Farm Kitchen of a Midwestern Food Journalist*, will also be available for purchase for \$24.99.

FALL BOOK SALE

The Friends of the Ruth Culver Community Library Fall Book Sale will be held in the library community room **Friday, November 12 and Saturday, November 13**. 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. Contact Meagan at 608-643-8318 or mstatz@pdslibrary.org if you are interested in helping set-up the Thursday before, or staff the sale Friday or Saturday.

FULL STEAM AHEAD: PARACHUTES

Explore science, technology, engineering, art, and math at our monthly after school club for kids grades K-5th. We meet the first Wednesday of every month at 4:00pm in the community room. On **November 3rd**, join us to explore how parachutes work, then design, build, and test your own in this fun exploration of gravity and air. On **December 1st**, learn about Newton's Laws of Motion, then compete to build the fastest racecar in the room. Please register online at ruthculver.librarycalendar.com.

The Library will be CLOSED
Thursday, November 25 &
Friday, November 26

Happy Thanksgiving



TEEN TUESDAYS

Make your own Zen Garden at the library **Tuesday, November 9 at 6:45pm**. All supplies will be provided!

Play old and new favorite games at this month's game night **Tuesday, November 30 at 6:45pm**.

Registration is required for in-person events and can be done online at ruthculver.librarycalendar.com. Teen Tuesdays are especially for grades 6-12. Masks are recommended.

November's **Teen Tuesday bags** will be available beginning Wednesday, November 10, no registration required. Just ask for your bag at the desk (while supplies last). Contact Meagan with questions.



Did You Know...

We have Light Therapy Lamps available for check out? They are located on the top of the shelves across from the front desk. Ask the staff if you have questions!



The Mystery Book Club will meet Thursday, November 11 at 6:45pm to discuss mysteries by Mary Roberts Rinehart. Copies are available on display in the library.

LIBRARY HOURS

Mon-Thur: 9am - 8pm

Fri: 9am - 6pm

Sat: 9am - 4pm

CRAFT CORNER & ACTIVITY KITS

Looking for something to do inside the library? Check out our new Craft Corner with everything you need to make a special craft. (Craft projects will switch every two weeks.) Or, ask at the circulation desk to use one of our new in-library children's activity kits: we have weaving, Brain Flakes, recycled paper bead making, origami, and Spirograph kits! Finally, check out our new multipurpose table in the children's area, and see what you can build with LEGOs!

STORYTIMES MOVE INSIDE

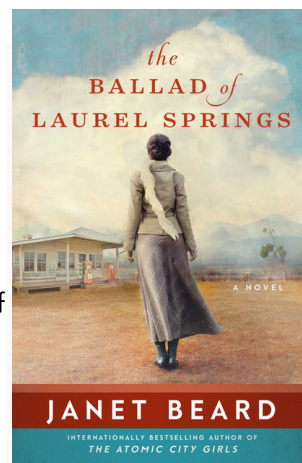
Storytimes are moving inside the library this winter! Join us in the community room for movement, music, and stories at our in-person storytimes. Storytimes recommended for children ages 2+ are Tuesdays and Thursdays at 10:00am. On Fridays, join us at 8:30am before the library even opens for Baby Songs! Baby Songs is recommended for babies ages 0-18 months who love to sit on laps. Also on Fridays, join us at 10:00am for our NEW Toddler Tales storytimes, aimed at toddlers ages 1-3 who love to move. Storytimes will not be held November 8-12 due to the Friends Book Sale. Please register online at ruthculver.librarycalendar.com.

VIRTUAL KIDS' BOOK CLUB

Our next meeting of the virtual children's book club will be on **Wednesday, November 24 at 4:00pm**. This month, we're reading *5 Worlds: The Sand Warrior* by Mark Siegel, Alexis Siegel, Xanthe Bouma, Matt Rockefeller, and Boya Sun. In this science fantasy graphic novel, the Five Worlds are on the brink of extinction unless five ancient and mysterious beacons are lit. When war erupts, three unlikely heroes will discover there's more to themselves—and more to their worlds—than meets the eye. Pick up a copy at the library and join us via Zoom at 4:00pm on the 24th at: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84507228681>. Please register online at ruthculver.librarycalendar.com.

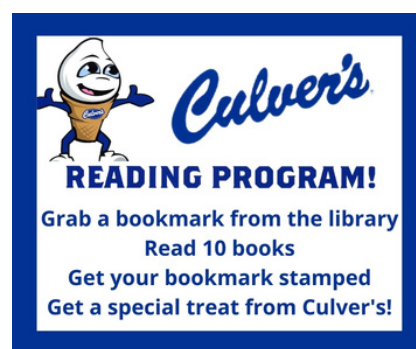
JUNE'S BOOK REVIEW *The Ballad of Laurel Springs* by Janet Beard

Set in eastern Tennessee beginning in 2019, this novel begins in the present and goes back 100 years to women who are related by blood or circumstance. Each woman shares her experience. Their stories are all connected by old ballads called "murder ballads." Many of these songs arrived with settlers from Britain in the 18th Century. Each chapter title is the name of a ballad. This historical novel reminded me of my own ancestors. One family in the novel was called Reid which was my grandmother's maiden name. Most of my family in the past were from Kentucky and Tennessee. Fans of the novel *Book Woman of Troublesome Creek* by Kim Michele Richardson will enjoy this novel. An interesting family saga with a great sense of time and place.



EARLY RELEASE WEDNESDAY: TELL ME A STORY

Do you like silly stories? Can you tell the craziest tall tale? Whether you're a fan of sea serpents, spaceships, superheroes, or spies, join us for lots of different storytelling games and see just how silly you can get! This Early Release Wednesday program is **November 17 at 2:30pm** for kids grades K-5th and will be held in the library community room. Please register online at ruthculver.librarycalendar.com.



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