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Early Release Wednesday: Cranes: Discover & Dance

Wednesday, November 20, 2:30 p.m.



Discover cranes at the library as the International Crane Foundation shares about how they work to raise endangered Whooping Cranes for release into the wild. Participate in activities and learn to dance like a crane! This Early Release Wednesday event is appropriate for children in grades K-5. Contact Beth at 643-8318 with questions.



Teen Tuesdays

Wizards Unite

Tuesday, November 5, 6:30 p.m.



The world of Hogwarts needs your help. Come battle demotors, trolls and other beasts as we play Wizards Unite. Library iPads will be available for use.

Brownie Fries

Tuesday, November 12, 6:30 p.m.



Try brownie fries at the library. We'll provide the "fries" for you to dip and decorate with chocolate, sprinkles and more!

Teen Tuesdays are especially for grades 6-12. Contact Meagan with questions.

Innovators Club: Brain Hats

Monday, November 25, 3:30 p.m.

School-age children are invited to the library's Innovators Club. Try something new; do something in a new way! This month we will explore the science of Brain Hats. Chiropactor Jen Forester will teach us about brain control with illustrated hats to take home, enhanced with activities! Contact Beth at 643-8318 with questions.



Friends of the Library Fall Book Sale

The Friends of the Ruth Culver Community Library's fall book sale will be held in the library community room **Friday, November 8 from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and Saturday, November 9 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.** Volunteers are needed to help staff the sale. Contact Meagan at 643-8318 if you are interested.

Paranormal Wisconsin

Wednesday, November 6, 6:30 p.m.

Paranormal researcher Chad Lewis returns to the library. This time he will share Paranormal Wisconsin: Tales of Ghosts, UFOs, and Mysterious Creatures. This presentation is an eerie combination of the most bizarre paranormal topics. Chad has combined his strangest cases of alien abductions, haunted places, mysterious creatures, crop circles, and everything else weird and unusual. This program covers the entire spectrum of Wisconsin's supernatural activity.



Thank you to the Friends of the Ruth Culver Community Library for sponsoring this event.

Upcoming Events

- NOV. 5—TEEN TUESDAY (6:30 PM)
- NOV. 6—CHAD LEWIS (6:30 PM)
- NOV. 12—TEEN TUESDAY (6:30 PM)
- NOV. 13—DIGITAL SKETCHING BY THE FIRE (10:00 AM)
- NOV. 13—COMMUNITY STORYTIME AT 6:8 (4:15 PM)
- NOV. 14—MYSTERY BOOK CLUB (6:45 PM)
- NOV. 20—CRANES: DISCOVER & DANCE (2:30 PM)
- NOV. 21—LEGO BUILDING CLUB (3:30-5:00 PM)
- NOV. 25—INNOVATORS CLUB (3:30 PM)
- Nov. 28-29—LIBRARY CLOSED

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November Storytimes

Enjoy storytimes held in the library's community room!

Traditional storytimes will be held **Tuesdays and Thursdays at 10:00 a.m.** Beth will share stories, snacks, music and more with your child.

Musical storytimes (extra songs, no craft or snack) will be held **Fridays at 10:00 a.m.**

Schedule:

Nov. 5, 7, 8 **NO STORYTIME**

Nov. 12*, 14, 15 **Cats**
*Special Field Trip storytime, see below!

Nov. 19, 21, 22 **Dogs**

Nov. 26, 28, 29 **NO STORYTIME**

P.S. Storytime continues after traditional storytimes on Thursdays from 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. We'll get out our interactive toys so kids can move, play and burn off some energy! Please note, library staff does not provide supervision.

Bouncing Babies

Fridays at 8:15 a.m.

Bouncing Babies is a storytime for infants through age 24 months. Beth will share songs, fingerplays and stories. This is a great way to bond with your baby, meet other kids at the same stages, learn valuable pre-reading activities, develop life-long learners and socialize with other parents and caregivers at the same time!



No Bouncing Babies November 8 or 29!

NEWS & NOTES

The **Culver's Winter Reading Program** is back! Read to earn FREE food from Culver's of Sauk City. Get your program bookmarks at the front desk. ALL ages may participate!

Ms. Beth is **looking for a volunteer** who would be willing to help at a school-age program on a Saturday in January, February or March to teach how to style American girl doll hair. Contact her at 643-8318 if you or someone you know are interested.

The next **Chess Club** for kids will be held Monday, December 2 at 6:00 p.m. School-age children and parents (optional) are welcome. Beginner's instruction provided by Jenna McCann.

Field Trip Storytime

Tuesday, November 12, 9:00 or 10:00 am

Join Ms. Beth at Animal House in their Whisker Lounge for a special storytime about cats! Space is limited; registration is required. Animal House is located at 815 Madison Street in Sauk City. Contact Beth at 643-8318 with questions.



In honor of this special storytime, we have gotten some new picture books about cats. Check some out to get ready!

Lego Building Club

Thursday, November 21, 3:30-5:00 p.m.

Drop-in on our next Lego Building Club! Stay the whole time or for as long as you need to build whatever you want, name it, take a picture and display it for others to see! Duplos are available for younger children. Contact Beth at 643-8318 with questions.



Featured Children's Book

Big Box Little Box written by Caryl Hart, illustrated by Edward Underwood

Boxes come in all shapes, sizes colors and uses. The main character, cat, explores these and other concepts, box-wise, and makes a new friend along the way. Fun to read and explore great vocabulary with a surprise at the end.



Community Storytime

Wednesday, November 13, 4:15 p.m.

Library staff invites you to the next Community Storytime at 6:8. Stories, songs, and fun will begin at 4:15 p.m. and everyone is invited to stay for a community meal at 5:00 p.m. All are welcome! 6:8 is located at 821 Industry Road, Sauk City. Please contact Ms. Beth at 643-8318 with questions.

June's Book Review

A Bitter Feast by **Deborah Crombie**

Scotland yard Detective Superintendent Duncan Kincaid and his wife Detective Inspector Gemma James are invited for a weekend in the Cotswolds, a lovely historical region of southern England. They are to be guests at the country estate belonging to Melody Talbot's parents.

Melody is Gemma's trusted

detective sergeant. During this fall weekend there is to be a catered charity luncheon by up-and-coming chef Viv Holland.

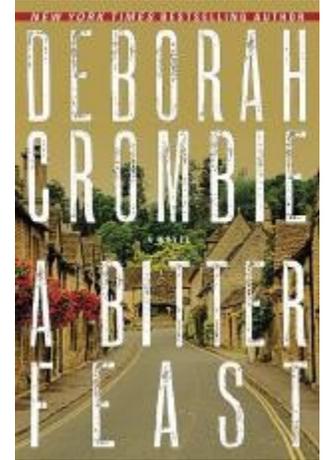
Gemma, her four-year-old daughter Charlotte, and Melody Talbot drive to the estate, arriving first. Duncan follows later that day.

However, Duncan arrives late, explaining he's been involved in a serious car accident. The two occupants in the other vehi-

cle both died. The police soon learn the passenger in the second car, Fergus O'Reilly, was already dead before the accident happened. They also learn chef Viv had an argument with O'Reilly.

I look forward every year to the newest book in this series.

Looking for more book recommendations? Check the staff picks display on our lower level.



New Collection: Binge Boxes!



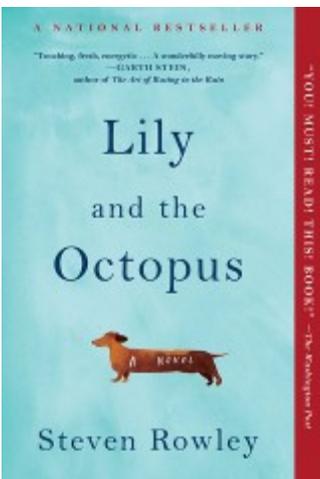
We now have a set of binge boxes available for checkout! These expertly curated sets center around a special theme, topic, or director and are meant to be enjoyed in succession. We supply the movies so the only decision left for you is candy or popcorn...we vote candy! As the weather becomes colder and the days are shorter, come check out a binge box for your next night in!

These items are available first come, first served, and can be checked out for 7 days with no renewals. If you have any questions, please see library staff.

Book of the Month

Lily and the Octopus by **Steven Rowley**

This is a story about that special someone: the one you trust, the one you can't live without.



For Ted Flask, that someone special is his aging companion Lily, who happens to be a dog.

Lily and the Octopus reminds us how it feels to love fiercely, how difficult it can be to let go, and how the fight for those we love is the greatest fight of all.

Combining the emotional depth of *The Art of Racing in the Rain* and the magical spirit of *Life of Pi*, *Lily and the Octopus* is an epic adventure of the heart.

Remember the last book you told someone they had to read? *Lily and the Octopus* is the next one.

--Summary from book description

Digital Sketching by the Fire

Wednesday, November 13, 10:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m.

Relax and experiment with digital sketching and coloring by the fire in the quiet reading room. We will have iPads and Apple pencils available for use. This drop-in event will be held on the second Wednesday of winter months from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. and is open to ages 18 and up.



You must have your physical library card to check out December 7 through December 10 as we change to a new library software.

Mystery Book Club

Thursday, November 14, 6:45 p.m.

The library's Mystery Book Club will discuss mysteries by Wisconsin authors in November. Copies are available on display in the library. New members are always welcome. Contact June at 643-8318 with questions.





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At the Library in October

Thank you to the Petersons for bringing their incredible creatures for the early release event October 16 and thank you to the Prairie du Sac Village office for letting us use their space!



Teens enjoyed making their own personal pies in October!



Thank you to the Friends of the Ruth Culver Community Library for sponsoring our jewelry making night October 14!

