

Letter from the President of the Friends

Greetings Friends!

Summer has arrived and we are gradually returning to normal activities. The flower gardens at the library have burst into bloom, shaking off the cold, dark winter, releasing all its pent-up energies in a glorious display of beauty. But the flowers did not get to such splendor without the caring hands



of the volunteers who plant, weed, and water. And so it is with the Friends. We cannot reach such splendor without the caring hands of our volunteers and supporters.

The Friends' annual meeting for the election of Officers and Directors was held March 24. Four Officers and three Directors were elected to the Board. There are still

four open Director positions for the Board. If you are interested in joining please contact the library or any of the Board members. Thank you to the Officers and Directors for your commitment to support the Friends.

The Friends are holding the 12th annual Golf Outing September 8 at the Lake Wisconsin Country Club. The Golf Outing is the Friends' biggest fundraiser for the year. Unfortunately we were not able to hold the Golf Outing last year. So let's shake off the cold, dark winter and release glorious blooms of sponsorship and support! Sponsorship opportunities for the Golf Outing begin at \$100. Not a golfer, not a problem! Join us for the dinner and silent auction that evening. The past eleven Golf Outings have raised over \$100k for the library with proceeds going to support programming and provide books, CD's, and other materials. Volunteers are also needed to help plan, organize, and facilitate the fundraiser.

As we gradually get back to our normal lives remember there are still many people, businesses, and organizations who suffered over the past 15 months. Reach out to them and lend support where you can. Be a friend!

Thank you for being a Friend!

Carl Hoffman Friends President Friends of the Ruth Culver Community Library 540 Water St. Prairie du Sac, WI 53578 Like us on Facebook! www.facebook.com/ friendsoftheruthculverlibrary

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12th Annual Golf Outing & Dinner



The Friends of the Ruth Culver Community Library are excited for the return of the annual golf outing and dinner this year! Mark your calendars and join us **Wednesday, September 8, 2021** at Lake Wisconsin Country Club. See the insert in this newsletter for a registration form and sponsorship form or contact Meagan Statz at the Ruth Culver Community Library at 608-643-8318 or mstatz@pdslibrary.org with questions.

How can you support this event (even if you're not a golfer)?

While we're always looking for golfers to join this fun outing, there are many other ways to support your local library with this event.

Participation Opportunities:

- Get a team together and golf! The putting contest and dinner are included with your registration.
- Not a golfer? Join us after golf for the silent auction & dinner.

Donation Opportunities:

- Become a sponsor with opportunities beginning at \$100.
- Donate items for the silent auction and prizes (unique items and gift cards are most desired by our bidders).

Volunteer Opportunities:

- Join the Golf Committee to help plan the event.
- Distribute posters around town to spread the word.
- Assist with mailings prior to the event.
- Help set up the silent auction on the day of the event.
- Help with registration on the day of the event.

2021 Friends Contributions to the Library

Your support allows the Friends of the Ruth Culver Community Library to fund numerous enhancements to the library. Here are just some of the highlights from 2021:

- New bookcase to display new Early Readers
- Automatic door openers to improve access to the community room and restrooms
- New portable CD players for checkout
- Support of Summer Reading Challenges for all ages
- Funding for adult programs including author talks and take and make crafts
- Lucky Day book collection of in-demand adult titles

Thank you!



Buy a Book Bag & Support the Friends!

Friends book bags are available for purchase for \$10 each. The special 120th Anniversary artwork was designed by Sophie Hoffman and features images of all four library buildings. The bags are great for books or for a summer day at the beach!

Bags can be purchased at the library. All proceeds from bag sales go to the Friends' support of the library.



What is the purpose of the Friends?

- To promote and improve library services, materials and facilities for the community
- To stimulate gifts and bequests to the library
- To provide volunteer support in strengthening the library's programs
- To encourage the broadest possible use of its facilities, materials and services

2021-2022 Friends Board of Directors

Thank you to our 2021-2022 Board of Directors!

- CARL HOFFMAN, PRESIDENT
- LYNN ESSER, VICE-PRESIDENT
- BILL CAMPBELL, TREASURER
- LORIN WEILER, SECRETARY
- MARY BRENNAN, DIRECTOR
- JOHN DOMAGATA, DIRECTOR
- LISA SCHWARZ, DIRECTOR

2021 Meeting Dates

The remaining 2021 meeting dates for the Friends of the Ruth Culver Community Library are as follows:

- Wednesday, July 28
- Wednesday, September 22
- Thursday, November 18

Meetings will be held at **6:30pm** in the library community room. All are welcome to attend. Contact Meagan at <u>mstatz@pdslibrary.org</u> or 608-643-8318 for details.

Go Paperless!

The Friends' group has started to send their newsletter by Email. If you received this issue by mail and want to receive future issues by Email then please send your Email address to Meagan Statz

<mstatz@pdslibrary.org>. You will also receive the monthly newsletter of the Ruth Culver Community Library which will help keep you up to date on upcoming library events and happenings.

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| | Get on Board! | |
| 4 | The Board of the Friends of the Ruth Culver Community Library currently has openings for | |
| • | Directors. The Board meets six times per year and makes important contributions in a | 1 |
| | multitude of ways. Contact Meagan at 643-8318 or mstatz@pdslibrary.org if you are interested in this opportunity to help support | 6 |
| | the library. | 5 |
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Yes! I'd like to support the Friends of the Library! Name(s)_

Thank you for your gift to support the Friends of the Library and the Ruth Culver Community Library. Please share your intentions for your gift:

 \Box A one time gift of \$____

This gift is:

□ In Memory of_____

□ In Honor of_

Please make checks payable to: Friends of the Ruth Culver Community Library 540 Water Street Prairie du Sac, WI 53578

Donations may also be make online at <u>www.pdslibrary.org/friends-library</u>

| $\hfill \square$ I prefer for my generosity to remain anonymous | | |
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| Address: | | |
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| Phone: | | |
| Email: | | |
| The Friends of the Ruth Culver Community | | |

Library is a 501(c)((3) organization. Contributions are tax-deductible to the extent permitted by law.

The Ruth Culver Community Library is Open!

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

New Library Hours

Monday-Thursday 9:00am-8:00pm Friday 9:00am-6:00pm Saturday 9:00am-4:00pm

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

Summer Reading for ALL Ages!



SUMMER READING REGISTRATION BEGINS JUNE 8TH!

Challenges run June 14 - August 20

www.pdslibrary.org

This summer the Ruth Culver Community Library encourages EVERYONE to participate in our summer reading challenges! All you have to do is read whatever, wherever and whenever you like! All reading will be logged online through Beanstack. If you would like to participate but can't use an online version, please contact Meagan or Heather Phelps at 608-643-8318. Visit the library's Beanstack page (<u>http://</u> <u>pdslibrary.beanstack.org</u>) to get started in three simple steps.

Create an account. (If you participated last year you can use the same account!)
Register yourself and/or additional family members for reading challenges.
Start reading to earn badges and enter to win prizes!

Upcoming Library Events for Adults

As we slowly start to host some small in-person events, we are excited to debut a new events calendar on our website. You can get to the calendar through the link on our homepage (pdslibrary.org) or by going straight to <u>https://</u><u>ruthculver.librarycalendar.com</u>. Most events require registration as space is limited, and you can register online through the new calendar! Contact the library at 608-643-8318 with questions.

Lotion Bars & Sugar Scrub Cubes Tuesday, July 20, 6:30pm

Registration Required, opens online July 1



Make your own lotion bar and sugar scrub cubes at the library at this in-person event! All supplies will be provided. Open to ages 18+. Space is limited; registration is required and can be done online beginning July 1. Contact Meagan at mstatz@pdslibrary.org or 608-643-8318 with questions. Sponsored by the Friends of the Ruth Culver Community Library.

FOR ALL AGES: Free Comic Book Day

Saturday, August 14, 9:30am-1:00pm

Stop by the library to pick out your free comic! All ages are welcome. Costumes are encouraged!

Save the Date: The U.S. Doughboy Experience and Writing 'Alamo Doughboy' Saturday, November 6 , 11:00am

Jennifer Rude Klett, author of "Alamo Doughboy: Marching into the Heart of Kaiser's Germany During World War I," will speak. More information to come in the Fall 2021 newsletter. Sponsored by the Friends of the Ruth Culver Community Library.

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



Our study rooms are now open by reservation! You can make your own reservations online (<u>https://</u> <u>ruthculver.librarycalendar.com/reserve-room</u>) or you can contact the staff for assistance. The community room remains closed at this time. Friends of the Ruth Culver Community Library 12th Annual

Dinner & Golf Outing Wednesday, September 8, 2021

At Lake Wisconsin Country Club

Proceeds benefit the Ruth Culver Community Library



Schedule of Events:

Noon—12:45 PM: Registration 1:00 PM: Shotgun Start for Scramble 6:15 PM: Dinner & Prize Presentation Return registration & payment by August 28 to:

Friends of the Ruth Culver Community Library

540 Water Street Prairie du Sac, WI 53578

More information is available online at www.pdslibrary.org/golf-2021.

Participation & Sponsorship Costs: Golf & Dinner: \$100/person Scramble Format, Includes 18 holes of golf, golf cart and dinner. Not a golfer? Join us for Dinner Only: \$30/person Hole Sponsorship: Starting at \$100 Silent Auction & 50/50 Raffle: During the event

> <u>For more information contact:</u> Meagan Statz @ Ruth Culver Community Library at 608.643.8318 or <u>mstatz@pdslibrary.org</u>

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Silent Auction items would be appreciated.



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Dinner & Golf Outing Registration

| Sponsors | Participants |
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| Name: | Golf & Dinner: \$100/person |
| Address: | Name and Email |
| | 1 |
| Email: | 2 |
| By providing your email address you will receive informational emails from the Friends. | 3 4 |
| Platinum—\$1,000 Four golfers & signage | Dinner Only: \$30/person |
| □ Gold—\$750 Three golfers & signage | Name and Email |
| Silver—\$500 Two golfers & signage | 1 |
| Bronze—\$250 One golfer & signage | 2 |
| Hole—\$100 Signage | 3 |
| I'd like to contribute:\$ | 4 |

Thank you for supporting the Friends of the Ruth Culver Community Library Golf Outing!



Silent Auction Donation Form

Thank you for your donation!

| Donor/Company Name: | |
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| | Telephone: |
| Email: | |
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| | (for recognition on Facebook) |
| Items or Services Donated: | |
| | |
| Value of Donation: | |
| Donor's Signature: | Date: |

Keep a copy of this form for your records as your official receipt. The Friends of the Ruth Culver Community Library is a non-profit 501c(3) organization. All donations are tax deductible to the extent of the law. Our tax ID number is: 39-14873770.

Please send all donated items to the Ruth Culver Community Library 540 Water St., Prairie du Sac, WI 53578 or call Meagan at 608.643.8318 for pick-up by August 30. Thank you