



You're Invited: 5th Birthday Party Celebration!

Friday, June 16: Noon to 2 p.m. (Drop-In)

The Ruth Culver Community Library is celebrating its 5th Birthday in the current location! Drop in between noon and 2 p.m. and join in the celebration! Enjoy custard and toppings, a coloring contest for kids, and library photo slideshow. There will also be a presentation of a plaque at 12:30 p.m. to recognize the work and contributions of the Friends of the Ruth Culver Community Library. Refreshments are sponsored by the Friends of the Ruth Culver Community Library.



Proud Summer Reading Program Supporter

Each summer, the library offers a reading program intended to help keep children and teens reading during the summer months while they are away from the classroom. The Friends of the Ruth Culver Community library are a proud supporter of the library's summer reading programs and adult programming through the year. Please see pages 3, 4 and 5 to learn more about opportunities.

Now Available!

A podium is now available in the Community Room for programs and speakers thanks to friends members Laura and Henry Netzinger. The podium was designed, built and donated by Henry and Laura.



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Save the Date!

The 2017 Golf Outing and Dinner
will be held on

Wednesday, September 6.

We would love to see you! Visit
www.pdslibrary.org/golf-outing-2017

for more information
(coming soon!)



Look What Just Flew In!

Visit the gardens behind the library to see this fantastic new bird sculpture! This beautiful bird was crafted and donated by Milo and Vicky Kilen. They are shown below with the sculpture. What a character!



Making Our Garden Grow!

Special thanks to Deanna and Frank Haselwander for their continued care of the beautiful gardens. This provides a wonderful view that can be enjoyed from both the outside, but also from the comforts of the Quiet Reading Room. Thank you!

Thank you also to Edward Jones -Joe LaCour for financial support of the gardens and planter.



Recent Adult Programs

Local author Keri Olson (left) provided an inspiring talk on “Discovering the Extraordinary Joy in Ordinary Moments” last month while Phil Hasheider (right) talked about his book and the history of mills on the Honey Creek in April.





Summer School-Age Events at the Ruth Culver Community Library

Mega Mondays!

All programs are free and no registration is required unless noted. All ages welcome unless specified. Children under 5 must be accompanied by an adult.

Reptile Engineering

Monday, June 12, 1:00 p.m.

Did you know that a gecko's toe pads are being used in engineering and research to develop improved adhesives? This program examines a few examples of how traits and characteristics reptiles have developed are inspiring development of new technologies and research that can ultimately benefit the society we live in. Live reptiles will be present!

Stuntology

Monday, June 19, 1:00 p.m.

Sam Bartlett brings STUNTOLOGY to the library! Stuntology is the art of exploring the mysteries of the physical world by playing with everyday objects, and the mastery of pointless techniques to amuse yourself and amaze your friends. Sam demonstrates, then it's your turn!

Chemistry: Close Encounters of the Chemical Kind!

Monday, June 26, 1:00 p.m.

Prepare to be electrified by the Science Alliance as they do hands-on experiments with fire, liquid nitrogen, color changes, a mysterious Genie, gooey Gak, and springy Superballs! Recommended for grades K-5.



Duke Otherwise Concert

Monday, July 10, 1:00 p.m.

Duke Otherwise brings his clever lyrics and unique sounds to the library in this musical performance for children of all ages.

Great Scott Magic

Monday, July 17, 1:00 p.m.

This show will combine the fun of a magic show with a great message about being a better person -

which helps to build a better world! Magician Scott will present a few "tricks" to building trust, respect and being more responsible.

Nature's Niche Animal Show

Monday, July 24, 1:00 p.m.

Join Dino and all his live animals as he shares an educational presentation about animals and their habitats. Lots of hands-on touching of animals!



Building Day

Monday, July 31, 1:00 p.m.

Come and explore many ways to build and objects to build with! Strawbees, dominoes, ice cream sundaes, giant jenga and more! This event is appropriate for children in grades K-5.

Summer Clubs

Chess Club

3rd Tuesday of the month, 1:00 p.m.

Meeting dates: June 20, July 18, August 15

Join the new library chess club for kids! The club will meet from 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. on the third Tuesday of the summer months and is appropriate for school-age children and up. Beginner instruction provided by Jenna McCann. Boards, chess pieces and a snack provided. Contact Beth at 643-8318 with questions.

Lego Building Club

4th Tuesday of the month, 1:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m.

Meeting dates: Tuesday, June 27, Tuesday, July 25, Tuesday, August 22

Don't miss the library's Lego Building Club! Drop in to build with the legos provided. This program is appropriate for school-age kids. Kids under 6 must be accompanied by an adult. Duplos will be available for younger children. Contact Beth with questions.

Coding Club

Wednesdays, August 2, 9, 16, 23 at 2:00 p.m.

Kids going into grades 4-8 are invited to learn about coding this summer at our new coding club! Each week we will explore a different type of coding. Space is limited; registration opens July 5. Contact Meagan at 643-8318 for more information.



Teen Events at the Ruth Culver Community Library

All programs are free and no registration is required unless specified. Especially intended for grades 6-12

Teen Movie Night

Friday, June 23, 6:15 p.m.

Movie title to be announced! Movie may go past 8:00 p.m. No registration is required unless you wish to stay for Library Late Night.

Library Late Night

Friday, June 23, 7:45 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.

Registration is required by June 22.

Enjoy games, snacks and more after the library closes!

Weird But True Trivia

Tuesday, June 27, 6:30 p.m.

Do you know how many times a year the Empire State Building is hit by lightning? If so, you're ready for the return of Weird But True Trivia!



Fruit Favorites

Tuesday, July 11, 6:30 p.m.

We're bringing back some of your favorite fruit recipes, like sour patch grapes, chocolate-dipped bananas and more!



Drop-In Art Night

Tuesday, July 18, 6:30 p.m.

Create your own painting on a small canvas, make buttons and design shrinky dinks! We'll have all the supplies; you drop-in and create what you'd like.

Building Challenge: "Straw"ctures

Tuesday, July 25, 6:30 p.m.

What can you build out of drinking straws? We'll provide the straws and Straw-bee pieces to connect them.



Dessert Favorites

Tuesday, August 1, 6:30 p.m.

We're bringing back some of your favorite no-bake dessert recipes from the last three years. Let Meagan know your top picks! Peanut butter and/or nuts may be present.



Soapmaking

Tuesday, August 8, 6:30 p.m.

Make your own melt-and-pour soap and squishy dough soap, all supplies provided!

Eclipse Pre-Party



Tuesday, August 15, 6:30 p.m.

Parts of the country will experience a total eclipse August 21 (partial in Wisconsin). Get prepared at our Eclipse Pre-Party!

Escape the Library

Tuesday, August 22, 6:30 p.m.

Crack the clues to unlock the key card and escape the library!

Family Movie & Dessert Nights

June 15, July 20 and August 17.

One Thursday each month will be hang-out time for families. We'll do dessert and settle in for a family movie. Movies (and) desserts to be announced! The fun starts at 6:00 p.m. on the third Thursday of the month.

Summer Reading Challenges

Signup has begun for the summer reading challenges for all ages. Stop by the library to register and pickup your BINGO cards. There are separate programs for children, teens and adults! Visit the library's website to learn more!

www.pdslibrary.org/summer-2017



2017 Meeting Schedule

The 2017 meeting dates for the Friends of the Ruth Culver Community Library are as follows:

- Wednesday, July 26
- Wednesday, September 27
- Wednesday, November 15

Meetings will be held at 6:30 PM in the Community Room at the Ruth Culver Community Library. All are welcome to attend.

Thank You to Volunteers

Thank you to those who volunteered to help with our Spring 2017 book sale.

Our volunteers were:

Bob Henseler
 Rod Lysenko
 Betty Deischer
 Alicia Kopp
 Truman Kopp
 Karen Schoephoester
 Bill Campbell
 Helen Campbell
 Ellen Paul
 Mike Irwin
 Tamara Straub
 Tim Straub
 Laura Netzing
 Marilyn Straub
 Chris Junkins
 Jim Grass

2017 Fall Book Sale

The fall book sale of the Friends of the Ruth Culver Community Library will be held on Friday, November 3 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturday, November 4 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Contact Meagan Statz at 643-8318 or mstatz@pdslibrary.org to volunteer. Donations of gently used books, audio-books, movies and music may be made at the library at any time.

Adult Programs and Events

The following programs for adults are free and will be held in the Community Room at the library unless otherwise noted. All are sponsored by the Friends of the Ruth Culver Community Library.

Papercrafts

Wednesday, July 19, 6:00 p.m.

Make a variety of papercrafts at the library, all supplies provided. This event is open to adults only. **Registration is required.**

Book to Movie Night

Tuesday, August 29, 6:00 p.m.

Watch a movie based on a book! (Movie title to be announced.) Popcorn, soda and water will be provided.

Author Kathleen Ernst

Wednesday, October 11, 7:00 p.m.

Meet bestselling writer Kathleen Ernst, author of the award-winning Chloe Ellefson Historic Sites mysteries. Kathleen's lively, richly-illustrated program will take readers 'behind the scenes' to reveal the people, places, and the past that inspired her to write the Chloe books.



Quilter Judy Hasheider

Monday, November 20, 6:30 p.m.

Judy Hasheider, a nationally-known quilter and teacher who lives locally, will take you on her journey from being a crafter, to a quilter, teacher, traveler and designer.



Hot Drinks

Monday, December 11, 6:30 p.m.

Enjoy a variety of hot chocolates and coffees with fun mix-ins at the library. This event is open to adults only. **Registration is required.**



Adult Summer Reading Challenge

Stop by to register and get your BINGO card today! Complete one row to get a BINGO and turn it in to staff at EITHER the Ruth Culver Community Library or Sauk City Library. You'll earn an entry into the monthly grand prize drawings. Complete additional BINGOs for additional grand prize entries. Pick up a new BINGO card when you're ready to move on.

Do you have a program idea?

Please contact Meagan Statz at 643-8318, mstatz@pdslibrary.org, or visit the library to share your suggestions and feedback.



2017 Trivia Challenge

Thank you to all of those who participated and supported our 5th Annual Trivia Challenge on Saturday, April 22, 2017.

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- Que's Bar & River Deck
- Rick & Rhonda Nass/Ampersand
- Shedd Aquarium
- The Shoe Box
- Taliesin Preservation



Event Organizers

- Carol Gagnon
- Chris Mangus
- Will Tank
- Meagan Statz

Event Volunteers

- Jenny Endres
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- Gene Lloyd
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