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**Library Closed:**

**July 4th**

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Programs with the "R" symbol require advance registration. Please sign up on the library website or in-person.

Sign up for the online newsletter at:  
[eepurl.com/jzOQ1](http://eepurl.com/jzOQ1)



## NOTES FROM THE DIRECTOR



We are getting lots of participation in our Summer Reading Program so far, so keep reading! If you haven't registered yet, it's not too late. The summer reading program goes through the month of July. Don't forget, with our new hours that

started in June, we now open at 8:30 a.m. Monday through Friday.

Have you noticed our new landscaping? Take a walk outside and enjoy the new flowers and shrubbery. We have some dedicated Master Gardeners who are helping us pull weeds and keep everything looking nice. Outside the children's story room we will be building a bee hotel this summer to help attract pollinators. We have vegetables growing in our raised bed, our butterfly garden is blooming, and we have a new wall to enclose our storytelling area. We thank our donors, the city council, our Friends group and our library Foundation for contributions so far and we will continue to expand our gardens as we get more donations. Our Friends group meets bi-monthly and their next general meeting will be held August 23 at 6:00 p.m. Their summer book sale will be held August 4-5. Consider joining the Friends' to

help with the on-going book store, Trick or Trivia, the two book sales they have annually, and other fundraising events.

Having a party and need a bigger space? Elkhorn residents can rent the Community Center for a nominal fee. Applications are available at the Information Desk and library staff will take your reservation. The room is used heavily by a variety of groups for meetings, by the library for programs, and by the community at large.

This summer, thanks to a grant from Dollar General, we are launching a new outreach program called, "Library on the Go"! Ms. Jennifer will be taking books and crafts out to Summer School each Thursday morning. We have many programs for all ages, including an Elkhorn Walking Tour, a program on the eclipse, the Cooking Mom (as seen on TV) and much more!

As always, please contact me with any questions or concerns you have about the library (262)723-2678, ext. 9140.

Lisa Selje, Library Director



## SUPPORT OUR LIBRARY BY SAVING GROCERY RECEIPTS!

When you shop at Frank's Piggly Wiggly or Sentry in Elkhorn, save your receipts and bring them into the library. There are two collection boxes at the Circulation desk. The grocery stores will give the library 1% back on



all purchases. But don't save them too long! All Frank's receipts must be redeemed by quarter or we have to throw them out. Example: the year is divided into quarters- January-March, April-June, July-September, and October-December so please watch the dates! We are now starting to collect for 3<sup>rd</sup> QTR 2017, this is printed at the bottom of each receipt. Also, please note that all receipts must be

intact- if you tear or cut off part of the receipt they will not be accepted. Don't worry about any of your card information printed on the receipt, our volunteer blacks out any personal information so privacy is assured. This receipts program helps support special purchases for the library and is greatly appreciated!





## ASTRONOMICAL EVENTS AT THE LIBRARY!

This August a rare, once-in-a-lifetime astronomical event will take place: a total Solar Eclipse - the first since 1979! Although Elkhorn isn't in an area that will see a 100% eclipse, we will still be able to enjoy the sun covered by about 88% of the moon, so it should still be very spectacular. To celebrate, we're planning some great activities to help you enjoy this amazing event.

On **Thursday, August 17th at 6:30pm**, educators Ed Sadler and Frank Mills from Yerkes Observatory will give a fascinating talk on eclipses throughout human history, the science behind a total eclipse, and how best to observe one safely. We'll also be giving out special eclipse-viewing glasses, generously donated by a grant from the Space Science Institute's National Center for Interactive Learning, for you to take with you.

On **Monday, August 21st**, the actual day of the eclipse, you can visit us here at the library and pick up your free eclipse-viewing glasses, and join us in viewing this astronomical event. The eclipse will begin in this area at **11:54am**, and will be at its strongest point at **1:18pm**. You're welcome to bring folding chairs and blankets to set out on the grass. We'll also be streaming the eclipse on our big screen projector in the Community Center for those who would rather watch it inside, or in case of bad weather. We hope you can come and experience this amazing event with us!



## TAKING THE MYSTERY OUT OF RETIREMENT PLANNING

Planning a path to retirement in the current climate can be an intimidating process, especially factoring in Medicare and Social Security. Luckily, with good preparation, and good advice, it can be done!

Please join us as Amanda Kostman, educator with the University of Wisconsin Extension Service, helps us navigate a path to a safe and secure retirement. She'll cover financial planning, medical expenses, and understanding government programs that can help you achieve your goal. **The program will be held on Thursday, August 10th at 6:30pm.**





## NEW LIBRARY STAFF

We're very pleased to welcome two new staff members to our library team. Presenting **Lanigan Elvin and Kylee Kozbiel!**

**Lanigan** is a lifelong library patron who loves spending her free time with a book. The rest of her time is spent working, or helping her community through volunteer service at her local animal shelter, nursing home, and Bible education work. She grew up coming to the Matheson Library and is thrilled to be joining the staff. She'll be working in the Circulation department.



**Kylee** is an incoming junior at Elkhorn Area High School. She enjoys reading; her favorite book in elementary school was **Ruby Holler** by Sharon Creech. She really enjoys being out in nature and spending time with her family. After graduation, she'd like to study medicine and become a pediatric oncologist.



Be sure to say hello to our new staff and wish them well!

## SUSPENSEFUL SUMMER SELECTIONS!

The summer season is in full swing and so are the temperatures. While you stay cool at the beach or pool try a thriller or suspense novel. We've listed a few below that have been recently published. Discover a new author or read a favorite! You can place these titles, along with many others, on hold today.

### 2017 Releases

- **Into the Water** by Paula Hawkins
- **Exit Strategy** by Steve Hamilton
- **Not a Sound** by Heather Gudenkauf
- **Every Last Lie** by Mary Kubica
- **The Breakdown** by B.A. Paris
- **Camino Island** by John Grisham
- **Lockdown** by Laurie R. King
- **He Said, She Said** by Erin Kelly





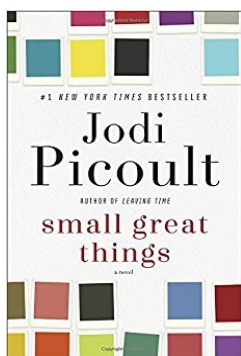
# ADULT SERVICES

## AFTERNOON BOOK CLUB

The Afternoon Book Club is a relaxed group of people who just enjoy sharing a great book! They meet on the third Wednesday of the Month at **2pm**.

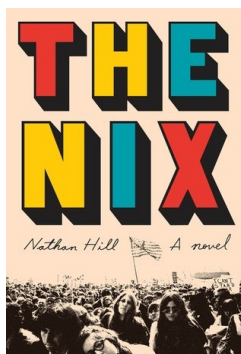
### July 19th – *Small Great Things* by Jodi Picoult

*A labor & delivery nurse takes on racism and the legal system when she attempts to save the baby of white supremacists against her hospital's order. This excellent novel explores race, privilege, and compassion.*



### August 16th - *The Nix* by Nathan Hill

*It's 2011, and Samuel Andresen-Anderson hasn't seen his mother, Faye, in decades—not since she abandoned the family when he was a boy. Now she's reappeared, having committed an absurd crime that electrifies the nightly news and inflames a politically divided country.*



For more information, contact **Lisa Selje** by phone at **(262) 723-9140** or email at **lselje@elkhorn.lib.wi.us**

## THANK YOU SPONSORS!

We couldn't have an adult summer reading program without the support of our community partners. Here's a list of local business who have generously donated prizes to us. Thank you!

- Abbey Resort
- Andes Candies
- Beloit Snappers
- Bell's Liquor & Deli
- Chicago Bears
- Dalee Water Conditioning
- Elkhorn Flying Dragons
- Elkhorn Independent
- Fiddlesticks Café
- Friends on the Square
- Green Bay Packers
- Lake Geneva Cruise Line
- Lake Lawn Resort
- Lyle's TV & Appliance
- Milwaukee Bucks
- Quilting Connection
- Sperino's
- Staller Estate Winery
- Studio Winery



## ELKHORN: A WALKING TOUR THROUGH TIME

Join UW Extension educator and *Get Moving Wisconsin* fitness coordinator Amanda Kostman for a fun and educational walking tour through Elkhorn's past.

Starting at the library, we'll take a walk throughout the downtown area and visit the many unique and historical buildings that make up our city's history. At each stop, Amanda will share anecdotes about the building and its context in city history.

Since this is an outdoor program, we have to keep an eye on the weather. Please check our website for any cancellation announcements due to bad weather conditions. This is a low impact walk that should take about an hour...please dress appropriately, and wear walking shoes. Water bottles, generously donated by Dalee Water Conditioning, will be available to all attendees.



The program begins at **6:30pm on Thursday, July 6th**.

# ADULT SERVICES

## IN THE KITCHEN WITH THE COOKING MOM

We're very excited to welcome **Amy Hanten** from *Fox 6 Wakeup* here at the library for our Adult Summer Reading Program finale! Amy is a well-known chef and TV personality who has appeared Fox, WGN, and the *Dr. Oz Show*. Her unique style of cooking delicious and healthy meals quickly and on a small budget have won her fans the world over.



Amy will be showing us how to make a few delicious recipes for the summer, as well as how to look for good deals at the supermarket and small steps to make ordinary meals extraordinary.

Since this is a cooking program, we are taking registrations. Please visit our website, or call us at (262) 723-2678 to reserve your spot. Amy will also be bringing some of her cookbooks for sale, and she'd be happy to sign them for you.

The cooking starts on **Thursday, July 13th at 6:30pm.**



## DESIGN YOUR OWN OBJECT FOR THE 3-D PRINTER!

The Lakeshores 3-D Printer returns to us in July, and we have a challenge for you! Up till now we've encouraged you to find objects on **thingiverse.com** to copy. But now there's a new site you can visit to build your own objects. It's called **Tinkercad**, and it's an exciting way to design your own dream projects!

Simply visit **tinkercad.com**, create a free account, and start designing! There's a nice tutorial you can go through first to learn how the interface works. Using the Tinkercad software, design your object, then save the STL file on a flash drive. Visit the library, and we'll help you get started with printing your model. If you'd like, we'll also take a photo of your finished model and share it on our Facebook page.

This is a great way to learn basic computer-aided design in a fun and simple way...and to see your work come to life in plastic!

If you have any questions, please give us a call at (262) 723-2678. Now let's get designing!

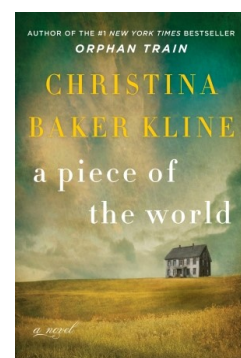


## PAGE TURNERS EVENING BOOK CLUB

The Page Turners choose moving and poignant stories to highlight the human condition. They meet on the first Wednesday of the month at **6:30pm**

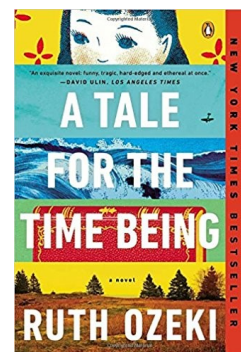
**July 5th - *A Piece of the World* by Christina Baker Kline**

*A fictional account of the life of Christina Olson, who inspired artist Andrew Wyeth, and became the subject of one of the best known American paintings of the twentieth century*



**August 2nd - *A Tale for the Time Being* by Ruth Ozeki**

*In Tokyo, sixteen-year-old Nao has decided there's only one escape from her aching loneliness and her classmates' bullying. But before she ends it all, Nao first plans to document the life of her great grandmother, a Buddhist nun who's lived more than a century.*



For more information, contact **Kelly Stech** by phone at (262) 723-2678 or email at **kstech@elkhorn.lib.wi.us**



# YOUTH SERVICES

## After School Clubs



**Thursdays from 3:30 - 5:30 through July**

July 6<sup>th</sup>: Open Lego Build

July 13<sup>th</sup>: Messy Art Club -  
Paint-sicles and  
sponge painting

July 20<sup>th</sup>: Mad Scientists Club: Tricks

July 27<sup>th</sup>: Lego Club

## August Programming

All ages are welcome. Drop in for as little or as long as your want!

### Craft-o-Rama

**Tuesdays from 10:00-5:00**

August 1<sup>st</sup>

August 8<sup>th</sup>

August 15<sup>th</sup>

August 22<sup>nd</sup>

### Free Lego Build

**Thursdays from 10:00-5:00**

August 3<sup>rd</sup>

August 10<sup>th</sup>

August 17<sup>th</sup>

August 24<sup>th</sup>

## Ms. Jennifer's Corner

Summer is flying by, but there's still plenty left to do at the library! Join us for one of our many fun programs in July; storytimes for all ages, art programs, gardening, and awesome performers.

It's not too late to join the summer reading program. All ages can sign up throughout July, at the library or online, and get stickers, activity packs, and free books! Teens (6th grade and up) can join the teen program and check out books for a chance to win a fun prize.

Our summer programs end on July 29<sup>th</sup> with The Big Splash (this year we're adding MUD), but the fun isn't over yet; come pick up your final summer reading prize – a free book!, check out books, movies, games, toys and maker kits, or just hang out in the children's area with some friends. We'll also be offering drop-in programs in August; Craft-o-rama on Tuesdays, Free Lego Build on Thursdays, and some gardening/science programs on Wednesday afternoons.

Programs will resume in September after school begins. We will be offering your favorite storytimes with Ms. Pattie again as well special events, after school clubs, and more fun for all ages.

We invite kids ages 1st through 6th grade to join one of our book clubs, which will resume in September. 1st -3rd grade can join Bookaneers, 3rd – 5th can join Rock 'n' Read, and 5th & 6th can join our new club, Book Explosion! We meet monthly on Thursday afternoons, discuss our reading selections, have a snack, and create book-themed crafts. Participants get to choose their reading selections from a variety of reading levels and interests.

*Jennifer Wharton, Youth Services Librarian*

## Read with Pearl

**Mondays through July**

**4:00 - 4:45**



Join us in the storyroom to read with Pearl the dog. Reading with Pearl is a fun and relaxing way to practice your skills, enjoy some good books, and spend some time with a wonderful pup!

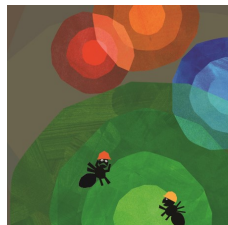
Pearl will be taking a break during the month of August. Make sure to check back in during September for more reading fun!

# YOUTH SERVICES

## We Explore Favorite Artists

This special storytime series introduces great children's illustrators and authors to young children. You will be able to try out lots of fun and interesting art techniques, styles, and materials, as well as enjoy storytime and snacks.

All ages welcome!



**Wednesdays at 10:00**

July 12<sup>th</sup>: Michael Hall

July 26<sup>th</sup>: Leo Lionni



## MS. PATTIE'S CORNER

### Toddlers 'n' Books

Tuesdays through July  
at 10am and 11am  
Suggested age: 18 to 36 months

### Books 'n' Babies

Thursdays through July  
at 10am  
Suggested age: 0 to 18months.

### Garden Playgroup

July 10<sup>th</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup>  
at 10am  
Suggested age: Infants to 5yrs

### Tiny Tots

July 10<sup>th</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup>  
at 6:30pm  
Suggested age: Infants to 5yrs

## STEM Learning Lab

Do you love to create, investigate, and explore? If so, make sure to join us every other Wednesday for STEM Learning Lab! We will be heading outside for activities and games that reinforce STEM and creativity! This program is suggested for children ages 5 and up.



**Wednesdays from 3:30-4:30**

July 5<sup>th</sup> - Painting blocks  
for our Library Bug Lodge

July 19<sup>th</sup> - Coding for Beginners



## 2017 Storywagon Series



**Tuesdays at 1:30pm**

July 11<sup>th</sup>: Snake Discovery

July 18<sup>th</sup>: Ben's Bubble Show

July 25<sup>th</sup>: Kidsplay presents  
"Fit into Fitness"

## Maker Workshops

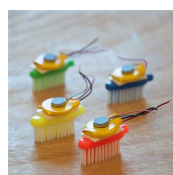
**Fridays at 3:30:** Register online for our new series of Maker Workshops! Sewing, Carpentry, Robots, and more! Make sure you read the requirements for each class, instead of limiting them by ages we have listed the skills and independence level needed.



July 7<sup>th</sup>: Marbling

July 14<sup>th</sup>: Crocheting

July 21<sup>st</sup>: Maker Bots



For more information contact Pattie Woods, 262-723-3160 ext. 1416 or email

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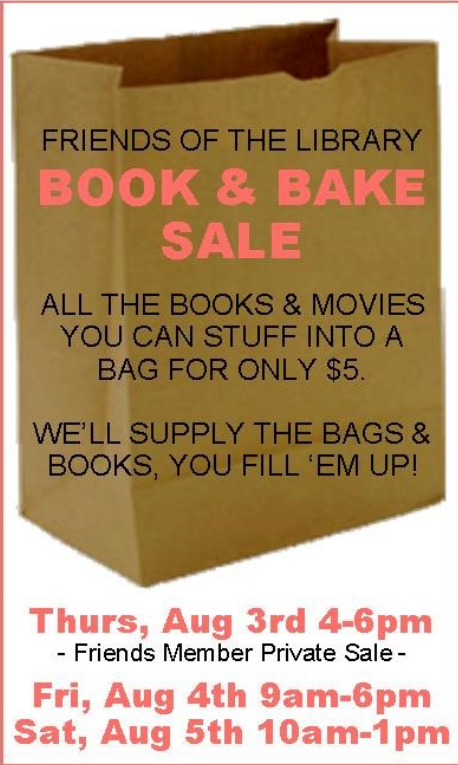
programs are sponsored by the EASD Parent Connections and the Matheson Memorial Library.



**Registration is required for all Maker Workshops.**  
You can register online or in person at the library.

# FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

## JOIN THE FRIENDS!



FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY  
**BOOK & BAKE SALE**

ALL THE BOOKS & MOVIES  
YOU CAN STUFF INTO A  
BAG FOR ONLY \$5.

WE'LL SUPPLY THE BAGS &  
BOOKS, YOU FILL 'EM UP!

**Thurs, Aug 3rd 4-6pm**  
- Friends Member Private Sale -

**Fri, Aug 4th 9am-6pm**  
**Sat, Aug 5th 10am-1pm**

**B**e a part of the organization that does it all! The Friends of Matheson Mem. Library is looking for enthusiastic new patrons to join our ranks and help the library we all love. We provide the funding to pay for the library's Adult & Children's programming, as well as additional materials throughout the year.

We are the 95 area working people, stay-at-home moms, college students, retired folks and librarians who strive to make our library a better place to gather and relax.

Can you volunteer a few hours a week to work in the Friends Book Store? Help bake a treat for the upcoming Bake Sale? Even just giving the \$10 annual membership dues helps us. Pick up an application at the Circulation Desk today or speak to a librarian for more details.



## BESTSELLING CHILDRENS AUTHOR INSPIRES ELKHORN'S YOUNGEST READERS

**H**ands raised, pencils ready, and imaginations went wild when author Tom Watson visited the three Elkhorn elementary schools on May 31st. Watson spoke to over 1,000 children in grades 2-5 about his career as an author, the inspiration behind his bestselling *Stick Dog*

and *Stick Cat* books series, and encouraged kids to read all summer long. He personalized over 300 books too! A big thank-you to Friends of Matheson Memorial Library, Jackson PTA, Tibbets PTA, and West Side PTA for sponsoring this library program for our youngest readers!

