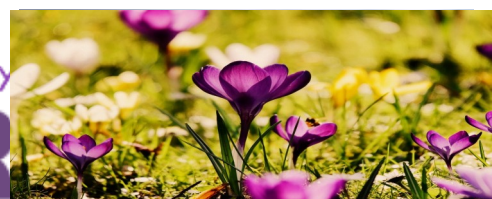


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April 29th

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For news on upcoming programs, events, and other library happenings, please follow our Facebook page at

www.facebook.com/ElkhornLibrary/



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

Your online Newsletter sign up: eepurl.com/jzOQ1

NOTES FROM THE DIRECTOR

OK, it's official: we're ready for spring. Don't get us wrong, we're all for the "winter wonderland" thing, but enough is enough already!

Here at the library we're staying warm by planning for summer. This summer will mark the return of our completely in-person summer reading programs for adults, kids, and teens...with all the fun events (and prizes) to go along with them. Please stay tuned...we should have lots of news for you in the coming months.

We're also looking forward to some work on our building. Thanks to a grant applied for by the city, you'll soon be seeing some improvements to our garden, complete with a much more accessible natural ramp from our Storybook room exit. Inside, we'll soon see brand new drinking fountains complete with a water bottle-filler relocated to our main lobby support column. In addition, our Friends have funded a new project to change the carpeting on our main landing staircase that will be

both attractive and accessible. Goodbye, ever-peeling fluorescent duct tape!

Speaking of our Friends, our next Big Book Sale is happening in March! Check out all the details on page 4. We're really excited for the return of the Friends-only preview sale on March 15th. First dibs on our very large selection of books and other materials is just one of many great reasons you should consider joining the Friends!

As always, check our website and Facebook page for all our upcoming events and programs. And remember, this is YOUR library, so please contact me with any questions and concerns you might have.

Stay warm!

Chad Robinson, Library Director

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Walworth County Genealogical Society

WCGS is celebrating the release of the 1950 Federal Census!

On April 5th WCGS's President Karen Weston presents a short program on using the enumeration districts to help find your family. This program will be held in the Matheson Memorial Library's Community Room and is open to the public.

Information you can learn from the 1950 census includes:

Where your family was living in 1950?

Did you have American relatives living abroad?

What did your relatives do for a living?

What was their household income in 1949?

Who was counted in the 1950 Census?

Members of the Armed Forces

Crews on vessels at sea

Employees of the US Government and their families living in foreign countries





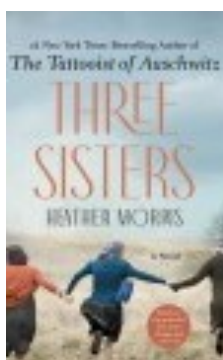
ADULT PROGRAMS

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 Tuesday** of the month at **2pm**.

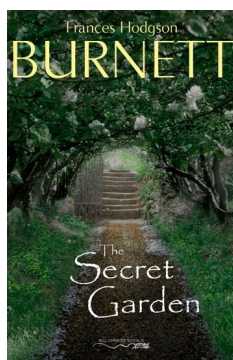
Mar. 15th - *Three Sisters* by Heather Morris

After surviving years of imprisonment in Auschwitz, three Slovakian sisters travel to Israel where the battle for freedom takes on new forms as they face the ghosts of their past and secrets they have kept from each other to find true peace and happiness.



Apr. 19th - *The Secret Garden* by Francis Hodgson Burnett

In this unforgettable story, three children find healing and friendship in a magical forgotten garden on the haunting Yorkshire moors.



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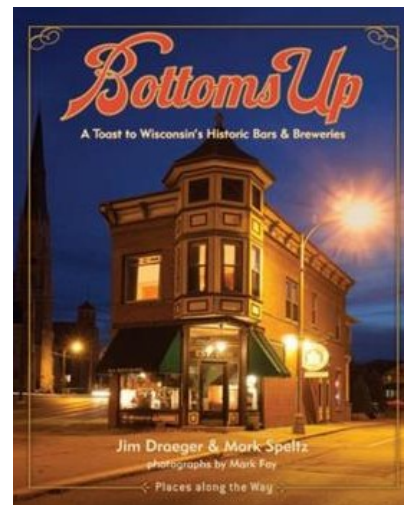
Bottoms' Up: A Toast to Wisconsin's Historic Bars & Breweries!

Author **Jim Draeger** discusses his book **Bottoms' Up**. Join Jim on **Saturday, March 12th @ 11:30am** for this engaging discussion.

Do you enjoy Beer and Wisconsin history? Then you may want to learn more about Wisconsin's historic bars and breweries. In that case, you won't want to miss this fun discussion. Plus, you may find a few new places to adventure to for a pint and some fun facts to share with friends.

This **FREE** event will be held in the Matheson Memorial Library Community Room and is **open to the public**.

See you at the library!



A Unique Presentation on the Science and Innovation of Water Reclamation!

Join Civil Engineer, Matt Seib Ph.D. on **Thursday, March 17th @ 6:00pm**

Ever wonder what happens to your wastewater once it goes down the drain? Come to think of it... Where does that drain go? Join us for this unique presentation on the science and innovation of wastewater reclamation. Matt Seib, from the Madison Metropolitan Sewerage District will present the latest innovative and sustainable research being utilized that helps our everyday lives behind the scenes.

Matt holds a PhD from Marquette University in civil engineering and specializes in using anaerobic biotechnology to recover resources from wastes. He's involved with several water industry advocacy organizations including the Water Environment Federation and Water Research Foundation. Please come enjoy this unique **FREE presentation** with us in the Matheson Memorial Library Community Room.





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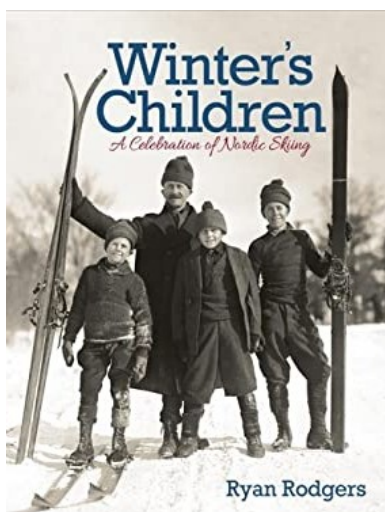
Winters Children: A Celebration of Nordic Skiing!

Join as for an active conversation with author **Ryan Rodgers** on **Thursday, April 14th @ 6:30pm** to learn about the origin and history of Midwest skiing.

Winter's Children traces Nordic skiing in the Midwest from its introduction in the late 1800s to its uncertain future in today's changing climate. Ryan's book details the earliest ski teams and touring clubs; the evolution of cross-country skis, gear, and fashion; and the ambitious effort to maintain a vast trail network across Minnesota's state park system.

This **FREE** event will be held in the Matheson Memorial Library Community Room and is **open to the public**.

See you at the library!



Join Bucks County Paranormal Investigators for a Bray Beast search!

This super cool team of paranormal investigators will be here on **Thursday, April 28th, 2022 @ 6:00pm**.

The team of Eric Mintel and Dave Antonow, paranormal investigators and jazz musicians explore the mystery of the Beast of Bray Road and see if they can solve it. Come see what they found out as they explain their findings with shocking results!

This **FREE event** will be held in the Matheson Memorial Library Community Room. See you at the library!

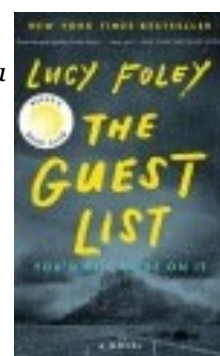


PAGE TURNERS EVENING BOOK CLUB

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**.

Mar. 2nd - The Guest List by Lucy Foley

An expertly planned celebrity wedding between a rising television star and an ambitious magazine publisher is thrown into turmoil by petty jealousies, a college drinking game, the bride's ruined dress and an untimely murder.



Apr. 6th - A Slow Fire Burning by Paula Hawkins

Three women unknown to each other are each questioned in connection with the gruesome murder of a young man found on a London houseboat in the new novel by the New York Times best-selling author of The Girl on the Train.



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FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

It's Time for a Book Sale - March 2022!

You just know spring is the perfect time to stock up on books. The Friends Book Sale offers a week of filling a brown bag for only \$5. Please help support the friends and your library by stopping by the Friends Book Sale and buying as many as possible! These books can make great gifts for family, friends, beach houses, lonely bookshelves, Airbnb's, to leave at the airport for another lucky reader, to ship to a foreign country to help with literacy. And well... you get the picture. Or um, is it the BOOK?

Tuesday, March 15th - Members Only Preview Sale in the community center on starting at 4pm.

Wednesday, March 16th - Tuesday, March 22nd Book Sale Open to ALL!

\$5 TO FILL A BAG!

The Friends of Matheson Memorial Library (FMML) The Friends of Matheson Memorial Library encourage everyone to become a member of this group of people who are dedicated to helping support the library, to bring new ideas and energy to the group, and to continue to make the Matheson Memorial Library one of the best library's. in Southeastern Wisconsin.



THE SHORT STORY BOOK CLUB

The Short Story Book Club is a fun group that saves time by only discussing short stories!

We have games, trivia, and a discussion, and we meet offsite at **Mama T's Restaurant** each **4th Tuesday** of the month at **7:00pm**.

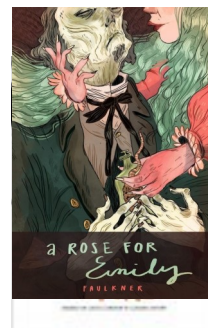
Mar. 22nd - With The Beatles by Haruki Murakami

A man wonders about the fate of a beautiful girl he met years ago when purchasing the first Beatles album.



Apr. 26th - A Rose for Emily by William Faulkner

Emily Greerson has lived alone in her plantation home for years, and the secrets that she harbors provide a dark mirror to her small town's history.



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