PRAIRIE READER

Ruth Culver Community Library News





ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE

Why it's changing the world, what it is, and how we can prepare for it

Thursday, September 26, 7:00pm

Al is a transformative technology with the potential to revolutionize education, the workforce, and our society. Join us to better understand Al's implications and prepare for its impact on our lives and community. This conversation will be led by Jake Boll, local educator and educational technology specialist at CESA 5. Jake will discuss the potential benefits and risks associated with Al as it continues to evolve as well as ethical and data privacy considerations. Feel free to bring a device to explore some Al tools on your own and ask questions!

BIZARRE HISTORY OF WISCONSIN

Tuesday, October 1, 6:30pm

Chad Lewis, researcher, author, and lecturer on topics of the strange and unusual, returns to the library with a new presentation showcasing over 100 bizarre newspaper stories from Wisconsin that have not been seen in over 100 years. These unbelievable stories were not lost, they were simply hidden. This program provides a time portal back to the early days of the state when it was filled with strange deaths, ghosts, sea serpents, peculiar people, medical anomalies, oddities, psychic phenomena, and UFOs. This will change the way you view the good ol' days of WI. Sponsored by the Friends of the Ruth Culver Community Library.

DROP-IN YOGA

Wednesdays, September 11 & 25, 9:00am

Stretch, breathe, repeat. Instructor Brittney Ricks of Peak Yoga Wellness will lead a free yoga session in the library community room. Please bring a mat and/or towel. Yoga is held on the second and fourth Wednesdays of the month.

SQUISHIE PAINTING & SNACKS

Wednesday, September 18, 2:30pm

It's the first early release of the school year so head to the library after school for a snack and to color a squishy or two to take home! Squishies are foam objects that you can squish in your hand. We'll have a variety of blank squishie characters to choose from and the supplies to color it from head to toe. For grades K-5.

SEPTEMBER TEEN EVENTS

Oreo Taste Test

Tuesday, September 10, 6:45pm

Taste a variety of Oreo flavors and vote for your favorite!

DIY Erasers

Tuesday, September 24, 6:45pm

Sculpt your own erasers using special clay in a variety of colors. All tools and clay provided, but erasers will need to be baked at home. Wear old clothes!

Teen events are especially for grades 6-12. No registraiton is required for teen events unless you'd like an email reminder.

LIBRARY CARD SIGN-UP MONTH

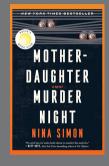
September is Library Card Sign-Up Month! Why buy when you can borrow? With a library card, you get free access to books, movies, magazines, newspapers, study tools,

Internet access, and more. It's the most valuable card in your wallet so make sure yours is up-to-date! To celebrate, we're giving away our new Ruth Culver Community Library stickers and free replacement Library cards all September long.





Join SP CAN for their fourth
annual community read
focusing on Adult Mental
Health. Free copies of The
Midnight Library will be
available at both Sauk Prairie
libraries starting
September 3 and events and
book discussions will take
place in October.



The Mystery Book Club will meet **Thursday**, **September 12 at 6:45pm** to discuss

Mother-Daughter

Murder Night by Nina

Simon. New members

are always welcome!

LIBRARY HOURS

Mon-Thur: 9am - 8pm Fri: 9am - 6pm Sat: 9am - 4pm

BOUNCING BABIES

A storytime geared for ages 0-2 focusing on songs, fingerplays, and short books to grow minds and motor skills, Bouncing Babies is held **Fridays at 8:30am**, before the library opens.

STORYTIMES

Storytimes return Tuesday, September 3! Join Ms. Bethany on **Tuesdays and Thursdays at 10:00am** for movement, music, and stories in the library community room. Recommended for children ages 2+ but all are welcome.

The Library will be closed Saturday, August 31 through Monday, September 2 in observance of Labor Day.

BOOK-TO-MOVIE EVENT

Wednesday, October 2, 4:00pm Held at Bonham Theatre & Video

Join us for a library-sponsored special book-to-movie event at Bonham Theatre and Video! The library will be covering the ticket cost and a special button pin souvenir for *The Wild Robot*. Concessions are available to be purchased at the theater. The event starts at 4PM so that people can arrive and get settled ahead of the movie. The movie itself will start at 4:30PM. *The Wild Robot* is rated PG. This event is recommended for ages 5 and up. **Registration is required for all attendees** and can be done online or by calling the library at 608-643-8318. Contact Bethany at 608-643-8318 with questions.

LLAMA LLAMA TO VISIT STORYTIME!

Tuesday, October 1, 10:00am Thursday, October 3, 10:00am

Book character Llama Llama is coming to storytime! Join us for a few fun llama stories, a craft, and a meet-and-greet with Llama Llama Llama will also visit local schools and daycares throughout the week.

POKÉMON CLUB

Wednesday, September 25, 4:00pm

Bring your Pokémon cards and/or your game devices to the library and meet with other Pokémon enthusiasts to battle, trade, and play. For Pokémon Go players, we will have a lure on one of our local Pokéstops.

CULVER'S READING PROGRAM

Our Culver's Winter Reading Program has returned. Beginning September 3, you can pick up a bookmark at the library. Read 10 books, bring it back to the library to be stamped, and then take it to the Sauk City Culver's for a sweet treat and kid's meal. Open to ages 18 and under. The program runs from September 3, 2024 until May 24, 2025.

Thank you to all who attended library events and participated in our reading challenges this summer! We are looking forward to next summer already!

JUNE'S BOOK REVIEW

The Windsor Conspiracy by Georgie Blalock

In 1937 Amelia Montague travels to France after being offered the job of private secretary to her cousin Wallis Simpson. Wallis is about to marry the Duke of Windsor who abdicated the throne of Great Britain because Kings there were not allowed to marry divorced women. Amelia is an American. She had defied her family and married without their permission. Her husband was a thief. When he was apprehended, he killed himself, leaving Amelia with nothing. As World War II nears, Amelia has worked for Wallis and the Duke for two years. When Wallis befriends a high-ranking Nazi as Germany starts World War II, Amelia agrees to spy on the semi-royal couple. She finds herself in real danger when they flee and leave her to fend for herself. She'll never trust Wallis again.



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