PRAIRIE READER

Ruth Culver Community Library News





KIDS' COMIC DRAWING WORKSHOP

Wednesday, March 12, 4:00pm

Learn how to create your own comics with tips and tricks from special guest artist Katrina Koppa! Katrina will be sharing about the structure of stories as well as demonstrating a drawing or two before giving some time for creating your own comic with provided art supplies. For grades K-5. Contact Bethany at bhultgren@pdslibrary.org or 608-643-8318 with questions.

FRIENDSHIP BRACELET MAKING

Wednesday, March 19, 4:00pm

Join us for an afternoon of bracelet making because we're in our crafty era! Create something for yourself, your bestie, or to trade with others. We'll provide the beads, string, and snacks. For grades K-5. Contact Bethany at bhultgren@pdslibrary.org or 608-643-8318 with questions.

SPRING BREAK POKÉMON

Wednesday, March 26, 1:30pm

Join us at the library for a Pokémon meet-up during spring break! Bring your cards to trade, eat snacks, do a craft or two, and participate in some Pokémon trivia. Contact Bethany at bhultgren@pdslibrary.org or 608-643-8318 with questions.

FRIENDS ANNUAL MEETING

Monday, March 17, 6:30pm

The Annual Meeting of the Friends of the Ruth Culver Community Library will be held in the library community room Monday, March 17 at 6:30pm. A Zoom link will also be available. Election of Officers and Directors will take place and there are openings on the Board. Join us at the meeting if you are interested in serving! Contact Meagan at 608-643-8318 with questions.

ADULT EVENT: FAIRY GARDEN CRAFT

Monday, March 31, 6:00pm

Supplies will be provided to create a seasonal fairy garden craft item. Open to ages 18+. Space is limited. Registration is required and can be done on our <u>website calendar</u> (https://ruthculver.librarycalendar.com) or by calling the library at 608-643-8318. Contact Charlene at 608-643-8318 with questions. Thank you to the Friends of the Ruth Culver Community Library for sponsoring this event.

MARCH TEEN TUESDAYS

Smoothies, Shakes & Slushies Tuesday, March 11, 6:45pm

Make your own smoothie, shake or slushie with the ingredients provided! Contact Meagan with allergy concerns.

Spring Break Drop-In Tuesday, March 25, 6:45pm

Staying in town for spring break? Drop-in at Teen Tuesday for games, snacks and activities!

Teen events are especially for grades 6-12. Contact Meagan at 608-643-8318 or mstatzepdslibrary.org with questions.

FOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS ONLY! HIGH SCHOOL DROP-IN

Tuesday, March 4, 6:45pm

Hang out, eat snacks, play games, paint or make something! This event is for grades 9–12 only. No registration needed. Contact Meagan at 608–643–8318 or mstatzepdslibrary.org with questions.

Special Hours

The Ruth Culver
Community Library
will close at 12:00pm
Friday, April 4 for a
staff in-service. We
will reopen Saturday
at 9:00am.



The Mystery Book Club will meet **Thursday, March 13 at 6:45pm** to discuss mysteries by Sarah Stewart Taylor. New members are always welcome!

LIBRARY HOURS

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

READ TO TESSA

Saturday, March 15, 9:15am-11:00am

Read to Tessa! Tessa is a Newfoundland therapy dog currently registered with Bright & Beautiful Therapy Dogs. Tessa (with her owner Judy) will be visiting the library as a read dog. Reading to a dog can help beginning readers practice their reading and grow their confidence. Appointments will be available from 9:15am to 11:00am. You can register your child for a 15-minute time slot on our website calendar, or call the library at 608-643-8318.

FUNCTIONAL STRETCH & MOVEMENT

Wednesdays, March 12 & 26, 9:30am

Instructor Brittney Grimshaw of Stretch Prairie will lead a free functional movement and stretching session in the library community room. This class is designed to help improve your flexibility, strength, balance, and breathing. Plus, you'll get to experience a sense of community with likeminded individuals also interested in living a functional life style. In addition to the physical benefits, the class also offers an opportunity for relaxation and presence. The goal is to help you feel refreshed, energized, and more connected to your body and breath.

Please bring a mat and/or towel. Class is held on the second and fourth Wednesdays of the month.

BOUNCING BABIES

A storytime geared for ages 0-23 months 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.

TINY TOTS

Tiny Tots is held **Fridays at 10:00am** and is geared towards ages 2–3. This storytime will focus on shorter books, puppets, songs, and movement activities with a playtime afterwards. Tiny Tots is a good option for those who have outgrown Bouncing Babies but may not be quite ready for traditional storytime.

Bouncing Babies, Tiny Tots and Storytime are all on break March 3-7

STORYTIMES

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

FARM STORYTIMES

Join us for a special storytime event during Sauk Prairie's spring break week! Emily Matzke from Prairie Raised Beef and some farm animal friends will be joining us here in the library **Tuesday, March 25** and **Thursday, March 27** at 10:00am.

JUNE'S BOOK REVIEW

The Story of the Forest by Linda Grant

Latvia is a country that borders on Russia. The year is 1913. Mina Mendel is a 14-year-old girl who goes into the forest to gather mushrooms. Before long she walks into a meeting of teenage boys having a Bolshevik meeting (a meeting against the Czar). When Mina's older brother Jossel finds out what she's been doing, he arranges for Mina and himself to emigrate to America. After they arrive in England, World War I breaks out. This prevents them from crossing the ocean to America. The two siblings then settle in Liverpool, which is north of London. Mina works at a munitions factory and Jossel is drafted to the eastern front. He saves the life of another solider who later marries Mina. This novel covers Mina's life over the 20th Century. It's a family epic that covers Jewish history. The younger generations of Mendels assimilate to English culture. The story of Mina and Jossel is vivid and interesting.

