Kraemer Library Newsletter March 13, 2017

LIBRARY NEWS

<u>Currently on Exhibit – Watercolors by Local Color</u> – The pleasures of watercolor painting inspired a group of River Valley friends to gather together each month to paint together, offer support, and engage in critical problem solving. Since painting is generally a solitary pursuit, the chance to come together has added a welcome dose of sociability to the challenge of watercolor expression.

<u>Senior Movie Social</u> – The third Senior Movie Social and lunch is scheduled for Thursday, March 23 beginning at 11:30 am. The movie will be "Jackie," a drama about Jacqueline Kennedy and the four days following the 1963 assassination of President Kennedy. Contact the library at 546-4201 by Monday, March 20 to reserve a spot. This event is partially sponsored by the Friends of the Kraemer Library and Community Center.

<u>2016 Magazines Available</u> – Individual issues of 2016 magazines withdrawn from circulation are available on the table in the library's vestibule to anyone interested. They will be there through Friday, March 17.

<u>Attention Needleworkers</u> – Feel free to join the needleworkers who meet on Wednesday afternoons at 2 pm near the library fireplace to work on projects. Contact the library at 546-4201 for additional information.

FOCUS ON YOUTH. . . By Brittany Sorg, Youth Services Librarian



<u>Happy Birthday, Dr. Seuss</u> – Throughout March, the library will celebrate Dr. Seuss's 113th birthday. As part of the celebration children up to grade 2 are encouraged to complete the "Dr. Seuss Passport," which contains a list of ten Dr. Seuss books. For each Dr. Seuss passport book read, the child will receive a sticker for the passport. The fully-filled passport can be redeemed for a Dr. Seuss prize at the end of the month. To participate, inquire at the library's Information Desk.

<u>Beauty & the Beast Movie Party</u> – Children of all ages are invited to celebrate the release of the live-action movie Beauty and the Beast on **Thursday, March 23** at 5:30 pm. Themed crafts, activities, and snacks will be provided. Feel free to wear a costume. A special guest may also make an appearance!

<u>Free Family Flick</u> – Families are invited to bring a blanket and enjoy the free, feature-length movie "Sing," a computer animated musical comedy, on **Thursday, March 30** at 2:30 pm (PG rated, 1 hr, 45 min). Popcorn and bottled water will be served. Adults or responsible teens must accompany children under 5.

New programs in the children's area -

Ten Apples on Top – magnetic apple stack counting activity on easel.

Cat in the Hat – Stack the Cat's Hat Seuss Stem. Children find the best way to stack the cups as high as they can.

LIBRARY BRIEFS . . .

- Next newsletter Monday, March 27.
- Free stuff on top of the WI History section includes: Edible Madison, Winter 2016 and BookPage for March 2017.
- Follow the library on Facebook and Instagram: @kraemerlibrary.

FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY NEWS

By Jennifer Kraemer

The primary thrust of the Friends of the Kraemer Library and Community Center is to enhance the basic operation and quality of the library through membership dues, organized fundraising activities, and the sale of library-themed merchandise. These activities allow the Friends to support various library programs, contribute toward building improvements, provide new or upgraded equipment for the library and community room, and reach out to the community through donations and memorial gifts.

We welcome new members – membership brochures are available at the library. Feel free to share ideas and suggestions for future programs and/or with the library director or directly to the Friends of the Library via email – krlibfol@gmail.com .

UPCOMING EVENTS



SPRING GREEN, ARCADIA BOOKS

Sunday, March 19, 2:00 pm – Annelise Ryan discusses the latest mystery in her Mattie Winston series, *Dead in the Water*.

PLAIN PAGE TURNERS

Tuesday, April 18, 7:30 pm – Cakewalk, by Rita Mae Brown.

IN THE MAGAZINES

A glimpse inside periodicals available for checkout at Kraemer Library

In January 2017, **Vegetarian Times** changed its name and format. The magazine is now called Vegetarian Today, is bimonthly (6x/year), and contains only recipes – no articles or advertisements.

The entire March/April issue of **Popular Science** is devoted to the state of water in our world.

BOOK REVIEW



Faithful, by Alice Hoffman

By Niki Johnson

The novel begins with a tragedy as best friends Shelby Richmond and Helene Boyd, both 17, were returning from a party near their Long Island homes. Shelby was driving when the car crashed on an icy road. Shelby survived, but Helene was left in a permanent vegetative state.

In the months following the accident, Shelby was so depressed and guilt-ridden that she attempted suicide and spent time in a psychiatric facility, where she was sexually assaulted. After leaving the facility, Shelby lived in her parents' basement – she smoked weed, shaved her head, and dressed in black. In her words, she "felt like nothing." The only bright spot in her life were postcards with hand-drawn and cryptic messages designed to help Shelby re-engage with life, left in the mailbox by an anonymous "guardian angel." Her only friend was Ben, a high school friend who sold her marijuana. When Ben moved to Manhattan to attend graduate school, Shelby decided to go along.

Shelby's journey to recovery is a testament to her bravery, humor, and resilience. The bulk of the novel focuses on her efforts to claim love, hope, and fulfillment: she gets a job, learns that she loves dogs, gains a best friend and surrogate family, makes mistakes with relationships, becomes closer to her mother, discovers her calling in life, and meets the guardian angel.

Anyone who reads this moving novel will not soon forget this remarkable young woman who faced and conquered her demons with grace and humor.

Similar novels: *The Mothers*, by Brit Bennett; *Closer to Fine*, by Meri Weiss; *Indelible*, by Adelia Saunders, and *The Good Patient*, by Kristin Waterfield Duisberg.

RECENT ARRIVALS

DVDs - Adult

Arrival

Cancer: The Emperor of All Maladies

Doctor Strange

The Dressmaker Grace & Frankie, Season 2 Hell or High Water (BluRay) Homeland, Season 5

Jack Reacher: Never Go Back (also BluRay)

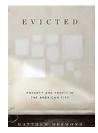
Jackie

Manchester by the Sea (BluRay)

Moonlight

Sully (also BluRay) Sherlock, Season 4 Victoria, Season 1

Nonfiction (includes Large Print)



Evicted: Poverty and Profit in the American City, Matthew Desmond

Food Health and Happiness, Oprah Winfrey

The Girl with the Lower Back Tattoo, Amy Schumer

iPad: The Fast and Easy Way to Learn, Guy Hart-Davis

Never Curse the Rain: A Farm Boy's Reflections on Water, Jerry Apps

Secret Service Dogs: The Heroes Who Protect the President of the United States,

Maria Goodavage (Large Print)

Succulents: The Ultimate Guide to Choosing, Designing, and Growing 200 Easy-Care Plants,

Robin Stockwell

The Undoing Project: A Friendship That Changed Our Minds, Michael Lewis

Vegan Vegetarian Omnivore, Anna Thomas

Wee Garter Stitch: Must-Have Knits for Modern Babies & Toddlers, Vickie Howell White Trash: The 400-Year Untold History of Class in America, Nancy Isenberg

Windows 10 for Dummies, Andy Rathbone

The Winter Fortress, Neal Bascomb

Winter Is Coming: Why Vladimir Putin and the Enemies of the Free World Must Be Stopped, Garry Kasparov