Kraemer Library Newsletter



April 2023



Library News Briefs

Library Hours – Good Friday – The library will close at 1pm on Good Friday, April 7, 2023. Regular hours will resume on Saturday, April 8.

Mid-Morning Matinee – The next Mid-Morning Matinee will be Thursday, April 20 at 11:30 am. All are welcome to enjoy a film and lunch provided by The Roarin' 20s. To reserve a spot, stop by the library or call at 608-543-4201. – To kick of the start of baseball season we will be showing "Trouble With the Curve." For decades Gus Lobel (Clint Eastwood) has been one of baseball's best scouts -- but now his age is catching up with him. Still, he refuses to be benched even though his bosses are questioning his judgment. Tasked with checking out the country's hottest batting prospect, Gus is



forced to accept help from his daughter, Mickey (Amy Adams). Though they haven't spent time together in years, father and daughter make new discoveries about their shared past, which could change their future.



Book and Puzzle Donations – The library continues to accept donations of books, DVDs, and jigsaw puzzles for the October Friends of the Library sale. Guidelines – no manuals, almanacs, or encyclopedias / or items published before the year 2000.

April Book Exhibit – The April is "Spring is Near" so it is time to start looking at your gardens.

Youth Programs News

Family Storytime – Family storytime continues through April beginning at 10:15 every Tuesday. The last day will be Tuesday, May 2. Storytime will then start back up for the Summer June 13.

Family Movie Night – Another family movie night is planned for Thursday, April 27 at 5pm. We will be showing the latest instalment of "Puss in Boots: The Last Wish." Puss in Boots

discovers that his passion for adventure has taken its toll when he learns that he has burnt through eight of his nine lives. Puss sets out on an epic journey to find the mythical Last Wish and restore his nine lives.

Details regarding Family Storytime and youth programs will be posted on the library website and Facebook page. Feel free to stop at the Information Desk with any questions.



Upcoming Area Events



Arcadia Books, Spring Green

Wednesday, April 19, 6-7 pm – Arcadia Book Club discusses The Half Known Life: In Search of Paradise, by Pico Iyer. Reservations for the Zoom discussion on both days can be made on Arcadia's website.

Book Recommendation

The Hummingbird, by Stephen P. Kiernan (307 pages). Here is the publisher's summary:



Deborah Birch is a seasoned hospice nurse who never gives up – not with her patients, not in her life. But her skills and experience are fully tested by the condition her husband, Michael, is in when he returns from his third deployment to Iraq. Tormented by nightmares, anxiety, and rage, Michael has become cold and withdrawn. Still grateful that he is home at last, Deborah is determined to heal him and restore their loving, passionate marriage.

But Michael is not her only challenge. Deborah's primary patient is Barclay Reed, a retired history professor and fierce curmudgeon. As expert on the Pacific Theater of World War II, Barclay is suffering from terminal kidney cancer and haunted by ghosts

from his past, including the academic scandal that ended his career.

Barclay's last wish is for Deborah to read to him from his final and unfinished book – a little-known story from World War II that may hold the key to helping Michael conquer his demons. Together, nurse, patient, and soldier embark on an unforgettable emotional journey that transforms them all, offering astonishing insights into life and death, suffering, and finding peace.

Told with piercing empathy and heartbreaking realism, The Hummingbird is a masterful story of marital commitment, service to country, the battles we fight for those we love, learning to let go, and finding absolution through wisdom and acceptance.

Recent Arrivals

Fiction

Countdown, James Patterson Loyalty, Lisa Scottoline On the Line, Fern Michaels The White Lady, Jacqueline Winspear

Fiction - Large Print

Less Is Lost, Andrew Sean Greer Women Talking, Miriam Toews Rule, Jay Crownover Jacqueline In Paris, Ann Mah One Woman's War, Christine Wells The Twist of a Knife, Anthony Horowitz Verity, Colleen Hoover A Dangerous Business, Jane Smiley **DVDs**

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