

Kraemer Library

Newsletter - April 2025

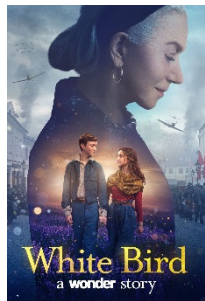
Library Calendar

Easter Closing– The library will close at noon on **Friday, April 18** and reopen on Monday, April 21 in celebration of the Easter holiday.



Wednesday, April 16 - A representative of the **ADRC** (Aging and Disability Resource Center) visits the library every third Wednesday afternoon from 1:00 – 3:00 to discuss issues related to Medicare and Social Security. No appointments are necessary – first-come, first serve.

Thursday, April 17 - The **Mid-Morning Matinee** is held every third Thursday beginning at 11:30

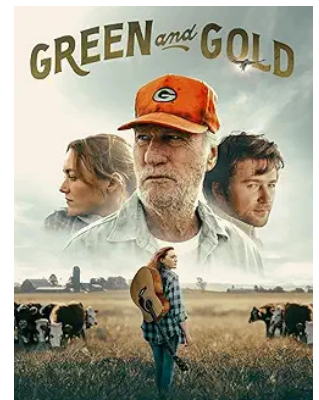


am. A light lunch from Block 23 is served. The event is supported by the Friends of the Kraemer Library. This month we will be showing the movie “White Bird.” *“Julian has struggled to belong ever since he was expelled from his former school for his treatment of Auggie Pullman. To transform his life, Julian's grandmother finally reveals her own story of courage. During her youth in Nazi-occupied France, a boy shelters her from mortal danger. Together, they find first love in a stunning, magical world of their own creation, while the boy's mother risks everything to keep her safe.”* Please sign up at the library’s

front desk by Monday, April 14.

In May Hopefully will be showing the movie “Green and Gold”

“Foreclosure looms over Wisconsin dairy farmer Buck (Craig T. Nelson). With mounting debt and the land his family has cultivated for four generations at risk, Buck refuses to give up his legacy without a fight. Buck's granddaughter (Madison Lawlor) works alongside him but dreams of a career in music. Her aspirations are fanned by an emerging friendship with a famous musician (Brandon Sklenar), but chasing her dreams might take her far from the farm. With time running out, Buck places a daring bet on his beloved Green Bay Packers winning the Championship, risking it all to save everything he holds dear.”





Thursday, April 24 - The Tech Drop-In Session is every fourth Thursday from 2 to 4 pm. Feel free to drop by to discuss tech-related questions.

Youth Programs

Lego Club – meets on Thursdays at 4 pm –April 10 and 24.



Family Night at the Library- Thursday, April 17 at 5pm.

We invite families to the library to build and decorate their own Grass Heads for spring. Call or visit the library to reserve your spot today.



The **Spring Afternoon Storytime** has started Tuesday, April 8 at 4:30 pm and run thorough Tuesday, May 13.

Check the library website or Facebook for more information such as times and reservation requirements about programs for children and families.

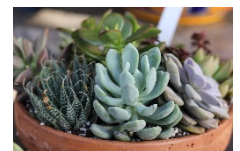
Friends of the Library

Craft Series

The Friends of the Kraemer Library are sponsoring a spring Community Craft Series. Upcoming sessions are listed below. To register, call the library at 608-546-4201.

Succulent Arrangements: Saturday, May 3 / 1-3 pm

Blend vibrant plants and unique blooms to design your own succulent garden centerpiece.



Fairy Gardens: Saturday, June 14 / 1-3 pm

Create a whimsical mason jar fairy garden featuring sweet and simple enchanted accessories.

All materials will be provided courtesy of the Friends group.

Are you crafty? Do you have a hobby that you'd like to share with others? The Friends group would like to create a list of potential presenters for a new craft series. For more information, please contact Jenna Wipperfurth at 608-588-5557, or email her at krlibfol@gmail.com.

Books For Babies

The Friends group reminds patrons that if you have a new baby in the family, you are encouraged to stop in and get your Books for Babies Bag. Please ask the librarians for one. Each kit includes six assorted books, an introduction letter from the Friends Board, a library card registration form, and information on the 1000 Books before Kindergarten program.

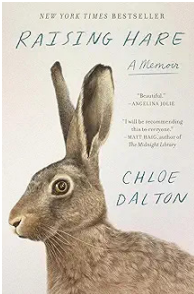
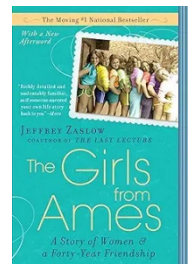
“Research has shown that speaking to, interacting with, and reading to children, beginning in infancy and throughout childhood, can help equip children with the language and vocabulary skills needed to be successful in school and life. By reading to children early and often, they will develop a love for books and learning.” We hope that you will enjoy these Books with your child.



Library News

April Exhibit Theme – The April exhibit will focus on gardening books.

The **Page Turners** book group meetings resume on Tuesday, May 20. The book selection for May is *The Girls From Ames*, by Jeffrey Zaslow. For more information about time and location, contact the library.



Upcoming Area Events

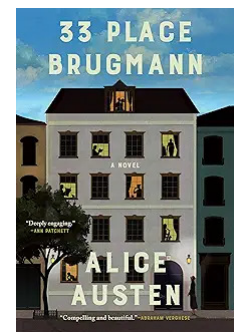
Arcadia Book Club – The Wednesday, April 16 meeting (6-7 pm) will discuss *Raising Hare* by Chloe Dalton. Reservations for the Zoom discussion can be made on Arcadia’s website.

Arcadia Silent Book Club – Thursday, April 24, 5:30-7:30 pm.

Book Recommendation

33 Place Brugmann, Alice Austen – 343 pages [from book jacket] – On the eve of the Nazi occupation, in the heart of Brussels, life for the residents of 33 Place Brugmann is about to change forever.

Charlotte Sauvin, an art student raised by her beloved architect father in apartment 4L, knows all the details of the building and its people: how light falls on wood floors and voices echo off the marble staircase, the distant knock of her dear friend, Julian Raphael, the son of the art dealer’s family across the hall. Then the Raphaels disappear, leaving everything behind but their priceless art collection, which has simply vanished.



All else that’s familiar fractures when whispers of German occupation become reality, and the lives of the residents grow increasingly intertwined. Charlotte’s godmother Masha, a beautiful seamstress living upstairs, deepens her risky affair with a wartime compatriot of Colonel Warlemont in 3L – a man far more calculating than his neighbors believe. When a Nazi functionary with an interest in the Raphaels moves into the building, knowing who can and cannot be trusted becomes a matter of life and death.

In the face of their perilous new reality, every member of this accidental community will discover they are not the person they believed themselves to be. When confronted with a cruel choice – submit to the regime or risk their lives to save one another – each learns the truth about what, and who, matters to them the most.

A propulsive and exquisitely written tour de force, 33 Place Brugmann champions the restorative power of love, courage, and art in times of great threat.

Recent Arrivals

Fiction

Close Your Eyes and Count to Ten, Lisa Unger
Bonded In Death, J.D. Robb
Battle Mountain, C.J. Box
Far From Home, Danielle Steel
High Tea and Misdemeanors, Laura Childs
You’ll Find Out, Lisa Jackson

Fiction – Large Print

Midnight Black, Mark Greaney
Death At an Irish Wedding, Ellie Brannigan
The Summer Book Club, Susan Mallery
We All Live Here, Jojo Moyes

