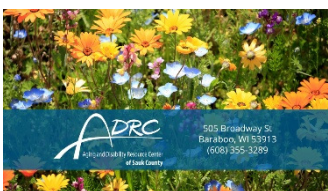
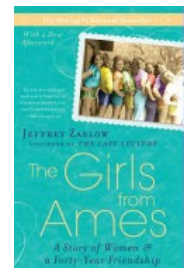


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Library Calendar

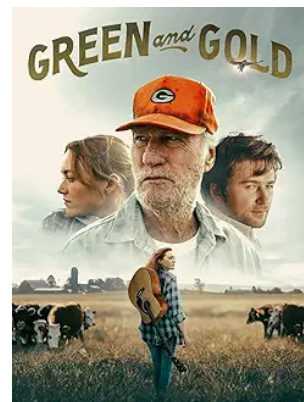
Tuesday, May 20, 1 pm - The **Page Turners** book group will discuss *The Girls From Ames*, by Jeffrey Zaslow. The selection for the June 10 meeting is *When Women Ran Fifth Avenue*, by Julie Satow. For more information about time and location, contact the library.



Wednesday, May 21- A representative of the **ADRC** (Aging and Disability Resource Center) visits the library every third Wednesday afternoon to discuss issues related to Medicare and Social Security. No appointments are necessary – first-come, first serve.

Thursday, May 22 - The **Mid-Morning Matinee** we will be showing the movie **“Green and Gold”** at 11:30 am. A light lunch from Block 23 is served. The event is supported by the Friends of the Kraemer Library. This will be the last mid-morning of the season and will resume in September.

“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, May 29 - The **Tech Drop-In Session** is every fourth Thursday from 2 to 4 pm. Feel free to drop by to discuss tech-related questions.



Memorial Day Closing– The library will be closed on **Saturday, May 24** and **Monday, May 26** for Memorial Day. Regular hours will resume on Tuesday, May 27.

Special Event – May 31

Saturday, May 31, 1:00 pm – Alex Harrington, chief meteorologist with WISC-TV Channel 3000 (and a native of Arena) will give a weather presentation regarding the phenomena that led to the cyclone (tornado) that destroyed St. Luke’s Church on May 21, 1918. Seating will be limited, please arrive early to ensure that you have a seat.



Youth Programs



Storytime will continue on Tuesdays at 4:30 pm through May 13.

Lego Club – meets on Thursdays at 4 pm –May 8 and 22.



The Summer Reading and Children’s Programs begin on June 16. Stop in at the library for a schedule of events or visit the library’s website and/or Facebook page for details. Support for the performers and grand prizes is provided by Friends of the Kraemer Library.

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

The Friends of the Kraemer Library hosted their first craft event in April and it was well received. Participants enjoyed learning how to make a Paint Gem picture. On June 14 the next craft class will be making Fairy Gardens. Remember that preregistration is required. The sign-up sheet is at the Library’s circulation desk.

Craft Series

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.



Do you possess a craft talent that you'd like to share? The Friends group would like to create a list of potential presenters for a new craft series. For more information, reach out to Board member Jenna Wipperfurth at 608-588-5557, or email her at krlibfol@gmail.com.

Library News

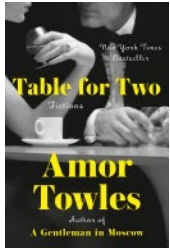
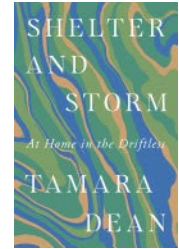
May Exhibit Theme – The May exhibit will focus on spring planting/ gardening.

Free Audiobooks – A selection of audiobooks that have been withdrawn from circulation will be on display in the library lobby during May. They are free and available to anyone interested.

Library Landscaping – the areas surrounding the outside of the library will be undergoing major landscaping during the spring and summer months.

Upcoming Area Events

Arcadia - Sunday, May 18, 2-3 pm – Tamara Dean will be in conversation with Curt Meine regarding Dean’s essay collection, *Shelter and Storm*, how to live mindfully with nature during a time of uncertainty.



Arcadia Book Club – The Wednesday, May 21 meeting (6-7 pm) will discuss *Table For Two* by Amor Towles. Reservations for the Zoom discussion can be made on Arcadia’s website.

Arcadia Silent Book Club – Thursday, May 22, 5:30-7:30 pm. This month, the group will meet at the Brisbane House, 7050 Reimann Road, in Arena.

Book Recommendation

One Good Thing, Georgia Hunter – 417 pages, including author notes [from book jacket] – 1940, Northern Italy. Lili and Esti have been best friends since meeting at the University of Ferrara; when Esti’s son, Theo, is born, they become as close as sisters. A war is being fought across borders and Mussolini’s Racial Laws, targeting Italy’s Jews, have Lili on edge. Still, life somehow goes on – until Germany invades and the friends find themselves in occupied territory.



Esti, older and fiercely self-assured, convinces Lili to flee to the countryside to help hide a group of young refugees, then to a convent in Florence, where they pose as nuns and forge papers for the underground. When disaster strikes, Esti asks Lili to take a much bigger step: To go on the run with Theo. To protect him while Esti can’t.

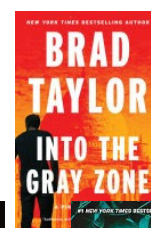
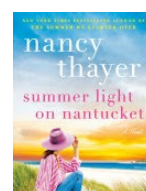
Terrified to travel on her own, Lili sets out on an epic journey south toward Allied Territory, through Nazi-occupied villages and bombed-out cities, doing everything she can to keep Theo safe.

From the New York Times bestselling author of *We Were the Lucky Ones*, *One Good Thing* is an extraordinary tale of friendship, motherhood, and survival – and a brilliant testament to the way that love for another person, even amidst darkness and uncertainty, can be reason to stay alive.

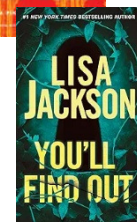
Recent Arrivals

Fiction

Great Big Beautiful Life, Emily Henry
Summer Light On Nantucket, Nancy Thayer
Into the Gray Zone, Brad Taylor



Death By Chocolate Pumpkin Muffin, Sarah Graves
Alive, James Patterson and Maxine Paetro
You’ll Find Out, Lisa Jackson



DVDs

Conclave | Kraven: The Hunter | Nosteratu | War of the Rohirrim | Venom: The Last Dance | White Bird | A Complete Unknown | Tulsa King, Season 2 | Dark Winds, Seasons 1 and 2

