

Kraemer Library Newsletter

May 2018

Library News

May Senior Movie & Lunch – The next Senior Movie and Lunch social will be Thursday, May 24 at 11:30 am.



The featured movie will be “The Glass Castle,” based on the memoir by Jeannette Walls. Stop in or contact the library at 546-4201 to reserve your space. If you haven’t already, don’t forget to return the leftover containers from the April lunch. This event is sponsored in part by the Friends of the Kraemer Library.

Community Survey Update – The strategic planning survey is complete and will soon be delivered to Village of Plain residents. We are interested in gathering ideas and opinions from all Kraemer Library patrons, regardless of how often you use the library. To complete the survey, either (1) access the survey online at kraemerlibrary.org, (2) pick up a paper copy at the library, or (3) contact the library (546-4201) or at



askus@kraemerlibrary.org to request that a copy be mailed to you. The survey should take only about 5-10 minutes to complete. Responses anonymous and will not be tracked in any way. Survey responses will be an important factor in the library’s future strategic planning process. The thoughts and opinions of library patrons about current and possibly future services will help us prioritize and provide the best possible library for you and your neighbors.

Art On Display – Back Exhibit Wall: Paper Flowers by Mary D’Alton and Becky Ellis. The two artists are planning a workshop on Saturday, May 19 at 11 am at the White School in Spring Green.

Part-time Position Available – A part-time position (approx. 10 hours per week) is open at the library.

Contact Nick for additional details. Apply by Friday May 11, 2018.

**WE'RE
HIRING!**

Youth Services

Saturday, May 12, 1 pm – Parents and children are invited to join us for a Mommie & Me Paint Nite event and make a gift for Mother’s Day. Registration required. Contact Brittany Sorg (bsorg@kraemerlibrary.org) to register or for additional questions.

Storytime – May 8 and 15 - Tuesdays at 10:15 am for children up to age 5. Contact Brittany Sorg with any questions (bsorg@kraemerlibrary.org).

Library Briefs . . .

- The library will be closed on Monday, May 29 for Memorial Day.
- Are you reading a paper copy of the newsletter? Inquire at the Information Desk about subscribing to the newsletter and receive it via email each month.
- Free stuff on top of the WI History section includes: BookPage and Voice of the River Valley for May 2018 and the 2018 Farm Fresh Atlas for Southern Wisconsin.

- Attention Readers – Check out gardening book selections on the exhibit opposite the Information Desk.
- Next newsletter – June 4.
- Follow the library on Facebook and Instagram: @kraemerlibrary.

Friends of the Library News



By Jennifer Kraemer

After almost 20 years of leading the great volunteers who support the library on the Friends of the Library board, I am stepping aside. I will continue to participate on the board because I believe in the mission of the group, and I look forward to working with our new president, Emily Benz, who has graciously agreed to assume leadership of the board. She has great energy and new ideas and I predict that she will work well with our library director and library board.

I want to thank everyone who loves the library for your support since we completed the new facility. Over the years I have heard so many times from visitors to Plain about what a wonderful library we have in our small community, and I hope we continue to regard it as a valuable asset. I know that the Friends group will continue to do so going forward.

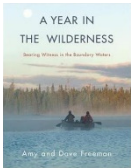
PS - Be sure to continue your support of the FOL's fundraising efforts by visiting our Brat Stand on Friday, July 6 and Saturday, July 7. In addition to the popular bratwurst, we also serve delicious roast turkey sandwiches! Hope to see you there!

In addition, The Pies, Pages, Pottery & Puzzles event is scheduled for 19 and 20 October. Donations of gently-used books, DVDs, music CDs, and jigsaw puzzles are always accepted. Also, we always need empty copy paper boxes with lids to store youth donations.

Upcoming Area Events

Arcadia Books, Spring Green

Thursday, May 10, 7-8 pm – Amy and Dave Freeman discuss their book, *A Year In the Wilderness: Bearing Witness In the Boundary Waters*.



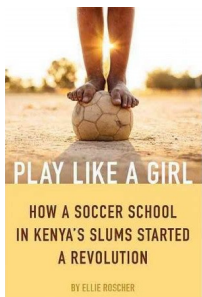
Sunday, May 20, 2-3 pm – Gary Ilminen, a resident of Lone Rock discusses *The Unlikely 1*, the true story of breaking the land-speed records on the Bonneville salt flats.

Saturday, May 26, 2-3 pm – Joan Bennett, a resident of Clyde, discusses her latest book, *The Mills of Iowa County*.

Sunday, May 27, 2-3 pm – Martha Green Phillips discusses *Border Country*, a collection of journals kept by her father, Howard Greene, of his early 1900s canoe trips to the north woods of Wisconsin, Minnesota, Michigan, and Canada.

Plain Page Turners

Tuesday, May 15, 7:30 pm – *Came a Cavalier*, by Frances Parkinson Keyes. This book is out of print; contact Sharon Bettinger to borrow a copy.



Tuesday, June 19, 7:30 pm – *Play Like a Girl: How a Soccer School in Kenya's Slums Started a Revolution*, by Ellie Roscher.

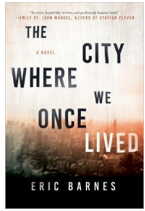
Focus on Reading

By Niki Johnson

Are you planning to participate in the Adult Summer Reading Program and are looking for a new author or book recommendations? In addition to the monthly BookPage publication available in the library and NovelList

(available through the library's website), many book blogs offer recommendations and brief reviews. The book blog I enjoy reading is Books On the Table (booksonthetable.com). As you finish reading books this summer, consider sharing your own brief review with library patrons. Review forms are available at the library and your review may show up in the monthly newsletter. Here are three recommendations of short books I have recently enjoyed:

Have Dog, Will Travel: A Poet's Journey, by Stephen Kuusisto (231 pages). A memoir about a blind man and his guide dog.



Silence In the Age of Noise, by Erling Kagge (144 pages). Meditations on the value of silence and how to find it in your life.

The City Where We Once Lived, by Eric Barnes (234 pages). A dystopian fable (with a hopeful ending) about climate change and industrial decay.

Popular Holds During April 2018

The following books and DVDs were the most popular holds in the South Central system during April.

Books (in rank order): *A Higher Loyalty: Truth, Lies, and Leadership*, James B. Comey • *Little Fires Everywhere*, Celeste Ng • *Educated: A Memoir*, Tara Westover • *The Fallen*, David Baldacci • *The Great Alone* (large print), Kristin Hannah • *Twisted Prey*, John Sandford



DVDs (in rank order): Black Panther • Hostiles • Film Stars Don't Die In Liverpool • Game Night • The Last Movie Star • I can Only Imagine

Recent Arrivals

A selection of items received during April

DVD

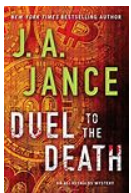
Reign, Season One • The Greatest Showman • Phantom Thread • Outlander • Goodbye, Christopher Robin • Blue Planet II (nonfiction) • Loving Vincent (nonfiction, about Vincent VanGogh) • Maze Runner • 12 Strong (also Bluray)

Fiction

Shoot First: A Stone Barrington Novel, Stuart Woods

I've Got My Eyes on You, Mary Higgins Clark

Duel to the Death, J.A. Jance



Firefly Cove, Davis Bunn (Large Print)

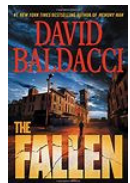
The Sometimes Sisters, Carolyn Brown (Large Print)

The Cheyenne Pool, Lewis B. Patten (Large Print)

Now That You Mention It, Kristan Higgins



The Fallen, David Baldacci



Hell's Half Acre: The Butcher of Baxter Pass, William W. Johnstone with J.A. Johnstone (Large Print)

About That Kiss, Jill Shalvis (Large Print)

Shallow Grave, Karen Harper (Large Print)

Nonfiction

Secret Empires: How the American Political Class Hides Corruption and Enriches Family and Friends, Peter Schweitzer

Killing the Deep State: The Fight to Save President Trump, Jerome R. Corsi, Ph.D.

Enlightenment Now: The Case for Reason, Science, Humanism, and Progress, Steven Pinker