

Kraemer Library Newsletter

February 27, 2017

LIBRARY NEWS

Welcome – Brittany Sorg joined the library staff on February 20 as Youth Services Librarian. Brittany is a native of the River Valley area, residing on a farm outside of Plain. She attended Sauk Prairie high school and studied Animal Science at UW-Platteville. Brittany's involvement with Future Farmers of America and 4H provided opportunities to work with children. Since 2015, she has worked as a Librarian Assistant at the Sauk City library where she assisted with events for children and families, as well as the Summer Reading Program. In addition to planning events at Kraemer Library for youth, Brittany is planning the Summer Reading Program scheduled to begin in June and will establish contacts with local schools and teachers, homeschoolers, and day care establishments.

Attention Needleworkers – 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.

UPCOMING EVENTS. . .



Happy Birthday, Dr. Seuss – On Thursday, March 2, the library will celebrate Dr. Seuss's 113th birthday and Read Across America Day (sponsored by the National Education Association). Throughout the month, Dr. Seuss's books and movies will be displayed in the children's area and in the usual display space near the Information Desk. Children who participate in the Read Across America event will be encouraged to fill their Dr. Seuss Reading Passport, a booklet listing selected Dr. Seuss books. Each title read will earn a special sticker for the passport.

To Alaska by Road – Take a cabin fever break and join Barbara Morford in the Community Room on Sunday, March 5 from 2-3 pm for a slide show of her trip to Alaska via national parks, public lands, and the Alaska Highway. The 40-minute slide show illustrates several little-known jewels of the National Park Service in the US and Canada.

Senior Movie Social – The third Senior Movie Social and lunch is scheduled for Thursday, March 23 beginning at 11:30. The March 13 newsletter will contain additional information regarding the lunch and movie title. To reserve a spot, contact the library by phone (546-4201). This event is partially sponsored by the Friends of the Kraemer Library and Community Center.

Beauty & the Beast Party – Children of all ages are invited to the library on Thursday, March 23 to celebrate the release of the live-action movie Beauty & the Beast. Themed crafts, activities, and snacks will be provided. This activity is still in the planning stages – stay tuned to future newsletters for additional details.

LIBRARY BRIEFS . . .

- Next newsletter - Monday, March 13.
- Free stuff on top of the WI History section includes: Edible Madison, Winter 2016 and BookPage for March 2017.
- On display in the front display case: Pottery by Eric Friedericks of Elemental Pottery.
- Follow the library on Facebook and Instagram: @kraemerlibrary.

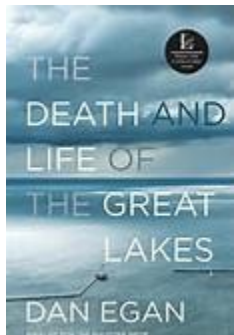
FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY NEWS

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 12, 2 pm – Dan Egan discusses his book, *The Death and Life of the Great Lakes*.

IN THE MAGAZINES

A glimpse inside periodicals available for checkout at Kraemer Library

Kiplinger's Personal Finance, March 2017 – “Credit, Debit or Cash?” discusses the advantages and disadvantages of these forms of payment. A sidebar discusses peer-to-peer payments. In the Healthy Living section, “What’s Keeping You Up At Night?” highlights the cost of sleep deprivation, ways to monitor your sleep to determine if you suffer from chronic insomnia, and strategies to sleep better.

DVD REVIEW

The Man Who Knew Infinity

By Niki Johnson

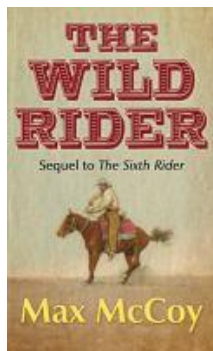
This 2015 biography-drama is based on a book of the same name by Robert Kanigel. The film will appeal to fans of movies based on real events or people, such as *The Theory of Everything* (about Stephen Hawking) and *The Imitation Game* (about Alan Turing).

Srinivasa Ramanujan (played by Dev Patel) is a self-taught mathematician who in the early 1900s worked in a low-level accounting position in his native Madras, India. His supervisor

recognized his talent and encouraged Srinivasa to contact Dr. G.H. Hardy (played by Jeremy Irons), a noted mathematician at Trinity College, Cambridge in England. At first, Hardy was skeptical, but eventually invited Ramanujan to study at Trinity College and he traveled over 6,000 miles in 1913, leaving his new wife to look after his mother. During his five years at Cambridge, Ramanujan encountered many difficulties and hardships. In addition to health problems, he encountered British prejudice against Indians, resisted Hardy's attempts to mold him into a conventional scientist, and continually worried about conflicts between his wife and mother in India. Eventually, Ramanujan and Hardy developed a mentor / friend relationship and collaborated to discover the partition function, a famous equation that is still used in the study of black holes. Before returning to India, Ramanujan was accepted by the faculty as a Fellow of Trinity College.

This film is enhanced by the strong performances of Patel and Irons. Their conflicts – both separate and between each other – seem to take precedence over their accomplishments.

RECENT ARRIVALS – FICTION (INCLUDES LARGE PRINT)



The Midnight Bell, Jack Higgins

The Mistletoe Secret: A Novel, Richard Paul Evans (Large Print)

The Mistress: A Novel, Danielle Steel (Large Print)

News of the World, Paulette Jiles (Large Print)

Never Never, James Patterson and Candice Fox

Order to Kill: A Mitch Rapp Novel by Kyle Mills, Vince Flynn (Large Print)

Reading the Sweet Oak, Jan Stites (Large Print)

Right Behind You: A Novel, Lisa Gardner

Ring of Fire, Brad Taylor

Robert B. Parker's Revelation, Robert Knott

The Underground Railroad: A Novel, Colson Whitehead

The Way of Kings: Book One of the Stormlight Archive, Brandon Sanderson

The Western Double, Max Brand (Large Print)

When All the Girls Have Gone, Jayne Ann Krentz (also Large Print)

The Whistler, John Grisham (also Large Print)

The Whole Town's Talking, Fannie Flagg

The Wild Rider, Max McCoy (Large Print)

The Wish, Beverly Lewis

Winter's Child, Margaret Coel

Winter Storms, Elin Hilderbrand (also Large Print)