

Kraemer Library Newsletter

April 2019

Library News

Attention Seniors – The Senior Lunch and Movie Social is scheduled for Thursday, April 25 at 11:30. Contact the library to reserve your space. Don't forget to return any leftover containers from prior lunches. This event is partially supported by the Friends of the Kraemer Library & Community Center.



Come join us in watching “Stan & Ollie” Laurel and Hardy -- the world's greatest comedy team -- face an uncertain future as their golden era of Hollywood films remain long behind them. Diminished by age, the duo set out to reconnect with their adoring fans by touring variety halls in Britain in 1953. The shows become an instant hit, but Stan and Ollie can't quite shake the past as long-buried tension and Hardy's failing health start to threaten their precious partnership.

Library Landscaping – We are planning changes to the library's front landscape in the upcoming months and are offering selected perennials to library patrons on a self-serve basis. Bring your own container and shovel, and check in at the Information Desk before digging. Donations will be accepted.



Youth Services

Reading Program for Pre-K Children – Kraemer Library is collaborating with the Lone Rock and Spring Green libraries on the 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten program. Sign up at the library to track your child's progress toward 1,000 books. To learn more about the program, visit <https://1000booksbeforekindergarten.org>.



Storytime for children up to age 5 - Tuesdays at 10:15 am. Themes for April: Peanut Butter & Jelly (4-2), Brothers & Sisters (4-9), Elephants (4-16), Earth Day (4-23), Hair Everywhere (4-30). Contact Brittany Sorg at bsorg@kraemerlibrary.org

with any questions.

Family Movie Night – Join us for a family-friendly movie and pizza dinner on Thursday, April 25 at 5 pm in the Community Room. The movie will be “A Dog's Way Home.” Check out the library's Facebook or Instagram site for more information. Reservations are required. Sign up at the front desk or by calling 546-4201. Children under age 6 must be accompanied.



Library Briefs . . .

- Next newsletter – Monday, May 6.
- 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: BookPage and Voice of the River Valley for April 2019.
- Follow the library on Facebook and Instagram: @kraemerlibrary.

Friends of the Library News



P4 Donations – Mark your calendars - the Pies, Pages, Pottery & Puzzles event is scheduled for Friday, October 18 and Saturday, October 19. Donations of gently-used books, DVDs, music CDs, and jigsaw puzzles are always accepted: simply drop off items during library hours.

New members are always welcome – membership brochures are available at the library. In addition, Friends of the Library sponsored merchandise continues to be on display in the glass exhibit cases.

Upcoming Area Events

Arcadia Books, Spring Green

Saturday, April 13, 10-11 am – Lorna Landvik discusses her latest novel, *Chronicles of a Radical Hag*.

Saturday, April 27, 10 am-6 pm – Independent Bookstore Day.

Sunday, April 28, 2-3 pm – Chuck Tennesen discusses his book, *Because We're Forever Earthbound*, a compilation of stories that have appeared in the Dodgeville Chronicle.

Sunday, May 5, 2-3 pm – Catherine Young, author of the Apostle Islands essay in *Permanent Vacation, Volume 2*.

Plain Page Turners

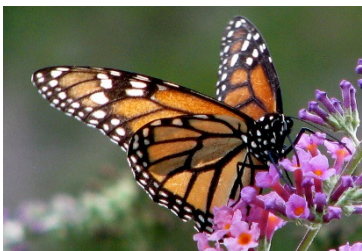
Tuesday, April 16 at 7:30 pm – *Home Front* by Kristin Hannah

Tuesday, May 21 at 7:30 pm – *The Art of Racing in the Rain* by Garth Stein

Reading Roundup

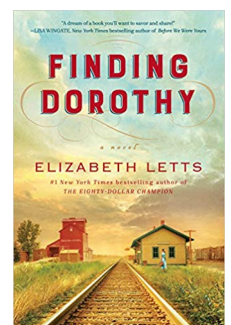
By Niki Johnson

Monthly Book Exhibit – As spring arrives, check out the variety of gardening books on display near the information desk. In addition, check out the Spring 2019 issue of “Wisconsin Natural Resources” magazine, specifically the article “Make a Place for Monarchs.” Increasing numbers of WI residents are doing what they can to protect monarch butterflies. Monarchs eat only milkweed, and Wisconsin is part of the core breeding ground for the eastern migratory population of monarchs, which includes several generations during the spring and summer. The Wisconsin Monarch Collaborative was formed in 2018 to facilitate monarch habitat planting on a large scale. Large farms and individuals are included in the article. For more information check out their website - wimonarchs.org.



Brief Review -- *Finding Dorothy: A Novel* // Elizabeth Letts // 2019 // 350 pages

As a child in the 1960s and 1970s, I always looked forward to the annual broadcast of “The Wizard of Oz,” so when I read a synopsis of *Finding Dorothy*, I was immediately intrigued. The book is a novelized version of the life of L. Frank Baum, author of *The Wonderful Wizard of Oz* and his wife Maud. Most of the book follows the lives of Frank, Maud, and Maud’s family up to the book’s publication in 1898. The book was a big commercial success and spawned 14 sequels. Alternating chapters are set in 1939 during the production of the Wizard of Oz film. By 1939, Frank has been dead for 20 years, and Maud is determined to ensure that the film does justice to the book, which includes regular visits to the set and interactions with the producer, L.B. Mayer, film crew, and the young star, 16-year old Judy Garland. In the Afterword, the author



provides factual background for the novel. This is a charming novel, especially for fans of the film.

Popular Holds During March 2019

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

Books (in rank order): *Becoming*, Michelle Obama | *Where the Crawdads Sing*, Delia Owens | *Nine Perfect Strangers*, Liane Moriarty | *The 18th Abduction*, James Patterson | *Run Away*, Harlan Coben | *The Silent Patient*, Alex Michaelides

DVDs (in rank order): *Aquaman* | *The Mule* | *If Beale Street Could Talk* | *On the Basis of Sex* | *Bumblebee* | *Spider-Man, Into the Spider-Verse*

Recent Arrivals

A selection of new items recently received at Kraemer Library

DVDs

Green Book | *Fantastic Beasts: The Crimes of Grindelwald* (also Bluray) | *Heartland Seasons 10 & 11* | *Reign of the Supermen* (also Bluray) | *Time Freak* | *Mary Queen of Scots* | *Final Score* | *Can You Ever Forgive Me?* | *Ben Is Back* | *Vox Lux* | *Creed II* (also Bluray) | *The Favourite* | *Instant Family* (also Bluray) | *Walk the Line*

Audio

Becoming, Michelle Obama | *Wolf Pack*, C.J. Box

Fiction

We Must Be Brave, Frances Liardet

Run Away, Harlan Coben

The First Lady, James Patterson and Brendan Dubois

Wolf Pack, C.J. Box

A Lethal Legacy, Heather Graham

Fiction – Large Print

I Owe You One, Sophie Kinsella

Amish Cooking Class: The Celebration, Wanda E. Brunstetter

Death By Chocolate Malted Milkshake, Sarah Grave

Broken Bone China, Laura Childs

California Girls, Susan Mallery

Nonfiction

Women Rowing North: Navigating Life's Currents and Flourishing As We Age, Mary Pipher

Maid: Hard Work, Low Pay, and a Mother's Will to Survive, Stephanie Land

Guinness World Records, 2014

