



A Note From the Director

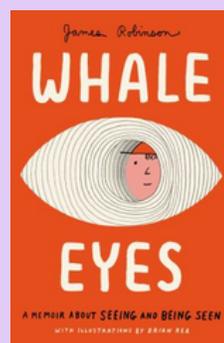
The library is a busy place this spring! We are excited about our yearly Peeps contest and staff are carefully planning and preparing for the upcoming summer reading program!

We are also working on a few larger behind-the-scenes projects. We are doing an inventory of our collections as well as looking for books and items that are wearing out and need repair.

In February I attended Library Legislative Day at the Capital in Madison. It was a great opportunity to thank the legislators for the continued funding for libraries as well as highlight all the ways we serve our communities.

I also just finished compiling and submitting the library's annual report. It was so satisfying to be able to see that snapshot of all the different ways the library served the community in 2025. I am so grateful to be working in a community that uses and values their library. Thank you all for your continued support of the library.

Julie Darnell
Director, Oostburg Public Library



NEW AT THE LIBRARY

Whale Eyes

by James
Robinson

YA 362.4

From Emmy Award-winning documentary filmmaker James Robinson comes a breathtaking illustrated memoir for middle-grade readers (and adults, too)-inspired by the viral, Emmy-nominated short film *Whale Eyes*. Told through an experimental mix of intimate anecdotes and interactive visuals, this book immerses readers in James's point of view, allowing them to see the world through his disabling eye conditions. Readers will get lost as they chase words. They'll stare into this book while taking a vision test. They'll hold it upside down as they practice "pretend-reading" and they'll follow an unlikely trail toward discovering the power of words. With poignant illustrations by Eisner Award-nominated artist Brian Rea, James's story equips readers of all ages with the tools to confront their discomfort with disability and turn confused, blank stares into powerful connections.

FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY - BOARD MEMBERS NEEDED

The Friends of the Oostburg Library need interested people to serve on their board! You can make a difference while supporting the library. Interested? Let us know!

Friends of the Library Annual Spring Gathering

Monday, April 13, 2026 at 6pm



Join the Friends of the Library at the annual spring gathering! Come learn about the Friends, how they support the library, and what you can do to help! Everyone is welcome!

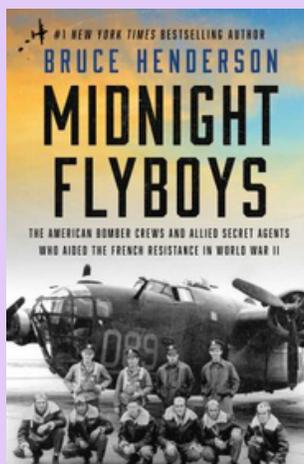
Enjoy a Friends year-in-review and meet the new library director, Julie Darnell, who will share what is new and exciting at the library. After the presentation, join us for refreshments and conversation.

Held at the Oostburg Public Library in the Community Room

NEW AT THE LIBRARY

Midnight Flyboys

by Bruce Henderson
940.54



In 1943, the OSS -- precursor to the CIA -- came up with a plan to increase its support to the French resistance forces that were fighting the Nazis. To start, the OSS recruited some of the best American bomber pilots and crews to a secret airfield twenty miles west of London and briefed them on the intended mission. Given a choice to stay or leave, every airman volunteered for what became known as Operation Carpetbagger. Their dangerous plan called for a new kind of flying: taking their B-24 Liberator bombers in the middle of the night across the English Channel and down to extremely low altitudes in Nazi-occupied France to find drop zones in dark fields. On the ground, resistance members waited to receive steel containers filled with everything from rifles and hand grenades to medicine and bicycle tires. Some nights, the flyers also dropped Allied secret agents by parachute to assist the French partisans. Though their story remained classified for more than fifty years, the Carpetbaggers ultimately received a Presidential Unit Citation from the US military, which declared: "it is safe to say that no group of this size has made a greater contribution to the war effort." Along with other members of the wartime OSS, they were also awarded the Congressional Gold Medal. Based on exclusive research and interviews, the definitive story of these heroic flyers -- and of the brave secret agents and resistance leaders they aided-- -- can now be told.

LOOK AND FIND



Look and Find books are now grouped all together in the children's collection!

Are you looking for *Where's Waldo?* the *I Spy* series? or the popular *Disney Look and Find* books and many others? They are all grouped together now to easily browse! The call number is:

+ Look

They are currently on the small wooden cart near the new Juvenile Fiction books!

Upcoming Events

Wednesdays

10-11 am

Preschool Storytime

March 4, 11, 18, and 25

April 1, 8, 15, 22, and 29

(No storytimes scheduled in May)

Saturday, March 21

10 am-12 pm

Pokémon TCG

Come learn and play Pokémon the trading card game at the Oostburg Public Library. Gary Ratliff will teach people to learn to play. Open to all ages! You do not need to bring your own cards to participate.

Tuesday, March 17

6:30 pm

3rd Tuesday Book Club

How to Age Disgracefully by Lisa Genova

Thursday, March 19

2:00 pm

Mystery Book Club

The Turn of the Key by Ruth Ware

Thursday, April 9

6:00 pm

Putting Scammers Out of Business One Educated Consumer at a Time

Presented by Ben Merens from the Wisconsin Bureau of Consumer Protection

Saturday, April 18, 2026

10 am - 12 pm

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Registration required.

Sponsored by the Friends of the Oostburg Public Library

Enter our Peeps Contest!

An All-Ages Diorama Contest at the Oostburg Public Library!

Submit Your Peeps Diorama between **April 1-8, 2026!**

Dioramas will be displayed from **April 9-28, 2026.** Read the complete rules on the entry form on the next page.

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Oostburg Public Library Presents:
Peeps Show

An All Ages Diorama Contest

Rules and Registration Available at the Oostburg Public Library

Submit Your Peeps Diorama between April 1-8!

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Rules

Diorama Parts Must Fit Inside a Shoebox

All Characters in your Diorama Should be Made Using PEEPS

All Parts Should Be Firmly Secured – Dioramas Will Have to be Moved

Clearly Display the Title of Your Diorama on the Top of your Box or within the Diorama

Dioramas With Completed Entry Forms Must be Submitted between April 1-8

Dioramas will be Judged in Categories Grouped by Age – All Ages Are Welcome to Participate!

Dioramas Will Be Displayed from April 9-28, and Must be Picked Up Between April 29-30. Any Dioramas Left After April 30th Will Be Discarded

By Entering this contest, you give Oostburg Public Library permission to take pictures of and display your diorama at the Library and online.

Dioramas May Be Any Theme, but Must Be Family Friendly



PEEPS SHOW ENTRY FORM

Title:

Name and Age (list all names and ages if entered as a team):

Phone Number: