



Summer Reading Program

It wouldn't be summer at the library without the Summer Reading Program! With 290 people across all age groups signing up on the first day alone, it's shaping up to be one of the most successful Summer Reading



Programs in Oostburg Public Library history!

Lori's been working extra hard this year to get a great slate of performers and other activities for young readers. The ever popular Kim's Amazing Animals will return to Oostburg this summer, as will crowd favorite children's musician Randy Peterson. Stop in the library for the full schedule of events and to sign up your child if you haven't already!

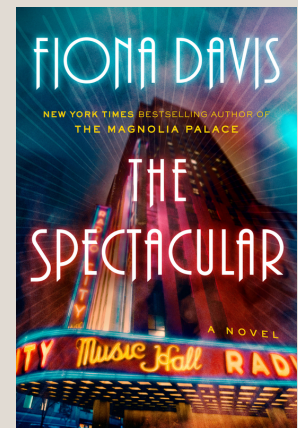
In addition to our programs for preschoolers and elementary aged students on Wednesdays, this summer features the return of Teen Time Tuesdays, programs led by our staff and intended to give patrons going into 6th-12th grades something fun to do, and potentially teach them a new hobby. This year we're also starting some book clubs for middle and high schoolers. These are great opportunities to make new friends while trying out some great books. Plus, snacks will be provided! Sign ups for Teen Tuesdays and Book Clubs are in the library.

Adults, don't think you're left out of the Summer Reading fun! You can still sign up for our adult program for a chance to win some great raffle baskets. We've also got some exciting programs for you in the next few months, some of which you can learn about in the next few pages!

New at the
Library

The Spectacular

Fiona Davis



19 year old Marion is ecstatic to be selected as a Rockette in this historical novel that takes readers behind the scenes of Radio City Music Hall in the 1950's. But being a Rockette isn't all it's cracked up to be, especially after the notorious Big Apple Bomber sets of an explosion in Radio City Music Hall. Marion finds herself drawn deeper and deeper into the case, and she discovers that to catch the bomber, she'll need to find the courage to stand out from the rest of the kickline.



Get a Piece of the Action: Participate in the County Wide Puzzle Tournament!

On Tuesday, July 18th, at 6:00 pm, Oostburg Public Library will host our qualifying round for the first ever Sheboygan County Jigsaw Tournament. Gather a team of three to four (with at least one adult) and work to be the first team to assemble a 500 piece jigsaw puzzle!

All teams start at the same time and work on the same puzzle. After two hours, if no one is finished the team with the fewest pieces remaining wins.

The winner will go on to represent Oostburg at the County Finals, held right here at Oostburg Public Library on August 12th at 10:00 am.

You can register for this event at the front desk of the library, and we will be capping registration after the first ten entries. So don't delay! This is going to be an awesome event, and you don't want to miss it!

New At the Library *Puppy Love*



Gary Soto

Jordan gets more than he bargained for after he saves a puppy from a dangerous irrigation canal. Now, instead of focusing on improving his basketball game or getting his crush Sierra's attention, he's nursing the puppy back to health and trying to figure out how it ended up in the canal to start with. And then the police get involved. This middle grade novel is a nice blend of humor and heart, with a dash of basketball sprinkled in for a truly winning recipe.

New Experiences at the Library

We are so excited to announce that our Experience Passes are catalogued and ready to be checked out! Located in the rack next to the front desk, each pass checks out for three days and must be checked out on an adult card. There is a \$10.00 a day fee if the passes are returned late. The passes are first come first serve, and cannot be held or reserved in any way. Before checking out a pass, a patron must sign a copy of our pass policy, which outlines these and more rules. If you have any questions, ask a librarian!

A huge thanks to our sponsors, The Doug Shuit Memorial Fund, Serenity Farms, Steve's Painting, and J. Rogers Construction for this first batch of passes. We couldn't have done it without them. Also make sure to thank Colleen next time you see her for all of the hard work she did cataloging these passes!

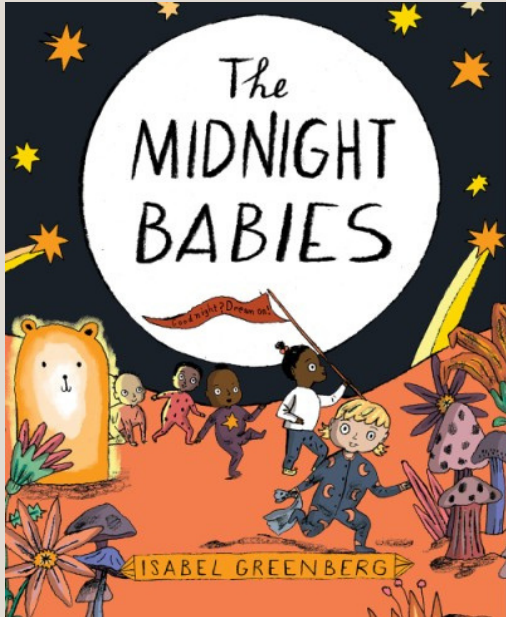
As of writing, we have passes for Above & Beyond Children's Museum, The Mitchell Park Domes, and the Zoo ready to go out, with the Farm Wisconsin Discovery Center to be added soon.



IF YOU OR YOUR BUSINESS IS INTERESTED IN SPONSORING AN EXPERIENCE PASS, CALL THE LIBRARY AT (920)564-2934 AND ASK FOR JESSE

New At the Library *The Midnight Babies*

Isabel Greenberg



The Midnight Babies don't want to go to sleep, they want to stay up and play all night! But a series of obstacles keep threatening to whisk them away to the Land of Nod. This creative and fun picture book by Isabel Greenberg (who also wrote the fantastic adult graphic novel *An Encyclopedia of Early Earth*, also new to our collection) imagines the bed time routine through the eyes of a creative child. It's a perfect bedtime story for the midnight baby in your life.

Oostburg Public Library Proudly Presents: A Night in Shady Hollow

We are so excited to announce that the authors of the Shady Hollow series of mysteries are coming to Oostburg Public Library!

Jocelyn Cole and Sharon Nagel write together under the pen name Juneau Black, and they'll be here to talk about their books, their publishing experiences, and more on July 25th at 6:30 pm.



Set in a world of anthropomorphic animals living in a small community, New York Times bestselling author Alan Bradley praised *Shady Hollow* as "*Watership Down* meets Mickey Spillane. A mystery of rare and sinister charm."

The first three Shady Hollow books are already in our collection, so now would be a great time to check this series out. But even if you haven't read the books yet, it would be well worth it to come to this event to hear Cole and Nagel speak. Both writers have deep Wisconsin connections, and the world of Shady Hollow was inspired in part by "Wisconsin's small towns, woods, lakes, and sometimes disturbing track record of serial killers."

We hope to see you there!



Cake Pan of the Month Winnie the Pooh Baking Kit

This one is technically a discovery kit, but it includes a cake pan, so we'll count it! Besides the cake pan, this Winnie the Pooh baking kit includes a storybook and a Winnie the Pooh cookbook, which comes with an accompanying CD that you can listen to while baking up a storm! This kit is fun for the whole family, and will fight any rumbles in the tumblies that may occur this summer!

A Note from the Director

There's no time quite like summer at the library! There's a sort of electricity in the air, especially in these early days. The kids are excited to be out of school, and when their newfound freedom brings them into the library, they're happy to tell the librarians all about the book or series that they just read as they collect their summer reading rewards.

It's all so fun to be around! I've never gotten to be a part of the process from this side before, and it really is something special.

And while the kids are having their fun, I hope you're excited about some of our new offerings for teens and adults as well! Getting the experience passes was my first big project after I took over the library, and seeing them get checked out fills me with so much joy.

What was my second big project? Well thank you for asking! On my third day alone in the library, I tracked down Juneau Black's contact info to try to get them to do a program here. I've been sitting on the Shady Hollow program for a while now as I firmed up the details (if you remember my first newsletter, it's not a coincidence what book was highlighted on the front page!) and it feels so good to officially share the details! I've watched virtual events featuring Juneau Black, and they are always a delight.

Between these long term projects coming to their conclusion, other programs coming up like the Jigsaw Tournament and the Teen Time Tuesday that I'm leading (puppet building, it's going to be cool), and the fresh paint that's being rolled on the

walls as I type (don't compare the date of the painting with the date of this newsletter's publication, please

and thank you!) it's finally starting to sink in that this is my real life. I'm a library director! I'm not going to wake up tomorrow and find that I've dreamt up this whole adventure. And in finding that this is all real, I need to offer up some thanks.

First, a huge thank you to Colleen, Laurie, Lori, Vicki, and Wendy for being the easiest people on the planet to work with, and for trusting and believing in me while I got up to speed.

Second, thank you to the Library Board and the Friends of the Library Board for your patience with me as I've started to figure out my role here. Lastly, thank you to all of the patrons who've made me feel so welcome. I am so extremely blessed to be working with the community that raised me.

New at the Library

Always Isn't Forever

J.C. Cervantes



Ruby and Hart are the perfect couple, and they're getting ready for the perfect senior year together when Hart dies in a boating accident.

Ruby can't let go of the boy who was supposed to be her forever. But Hart can't let go of Ruby.

Hart is offered a second chance to come back to life in the body of the local bad boy. But winning back Ruby won't be easy.

Hart is forbidden from telling Ruby who he is, and with each day he spends in his new body, his memories of being Hart fade.

This YA romance offers the reader a unique insight into the power of love to connect two people.

Jesse Rogers
Library Director