

# West Bend Community Memorial Library

## May 2019 Newsletter



### Read With Rover

Monday afternoons from 3:30-5 PM

Help your child boost confidence & self-esteem, increase reading fluency and reduce stress by reading to a non-judgmental canine friend! Volunteers from the Washington County Humane Society provide a weekly opportunity for kids to read aloud to trained dogs. Sign up for a 15-minute time slot with the librarian at the children's desk.

- **Monday, May 6**
- **Monday, May 13**
- **Monday, May 20**
- **No Rover on Monday, May 27**



### Classic Movie Friday - "Sergeant York" Friday, May 3 at 1 PM

A hillbilly sharpshooter becomes one of the most celebrated American heroes of WWII after helping to defeat the Germans. Starring Gary Cooper as Alvin York. Not rated, the film runs for 2 hours, 14 min. Join us in the BI/Board Room on the first floor of the library.

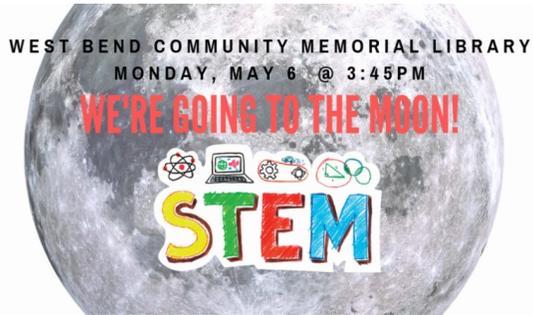


### Kettle Moraine Symphony Storytime Saturday, May 4 at 10 AM

A joint venture between the Kettle Moraine Symphony and the West Bend Community Memorial Library! Join us for a program designed to show the connection between literature, music, and the arts. The session will feature stories, recordings of musical selections, and a craft. The program is geared for ages 4-10. For May's program, we will enjoy a student performance of Vivaldi's Spring, a story, spring fiddle tunes played by KMS members, and a craft! [Join the Facebook event here.](#)

## Straw Bale Gardening Saturday, May 4 at 10 AM

Join Rita Lesch, a horticulturalist and master gardener, to learn how to grow vegetables in straw bales! Do you want to grow your own vegetables? And you don't want to dig up the yard or destroy your landscape? Rita will teach you how to grow organically in a no-till, no-weed, and easy harvest manner. People of all ages can do that by using a very simple method that has been around for years. Rita will teach you all you need to know about Straw Bale Gardening! Discover how easy it is to have fresh produce from spring to fall!



## S.T.E.M. Afternoon Monday, May 6 at 3:45 PM

**(Registration is full for this class, but we are taking names for a waiting list)**

We're going to the moon! We are going to do a lunar lander challenge, a space docking challenge, and try astronaut food! Program meets in the BI/Board room. Children must be in Grades 1-5. Register at the Children's Information Desk or call 262-335-5151, ext 5246. [Join the Facebook event for more information.](#)

## Needles in the Bookstacks Mondays in May - May 6, May 13, and May 20

Free time and space to work on your own fiber arts projects! Bring your friends to knit, stitch, or crochet together! All ages and experience levels are welcome; bring your yourself; your friends; your parents or your kids!

## How to Square Foot Garden and Grow Root Crops Tuesday, May 7 at 6:30 PM

Did you know you can grow most of your produce in a square foot? Have you struggled with growing root vegetables successfully? Come and learn how to use inventive ideas for growing food in a small space as well as how to grow root crops successfully. Rita Lesch, of Rita's Woodland Retreat will teach you just how to grow herbs, vegetables, and fruits in a small space. She will cover the benefits of raised beds, container gardens, how to grow root crops with success, extending your growing season, preparing your soil, and many other advantages of small scale gardening. Please join us for an evening of learning about the benefits of growing your own food!

## Kiwanis Early Risers Family Night with Duke Otherwise Thursday, May 9 at 6:30 PM

Musician Duke Otherwise will be performing a free show May 9 at the West Bend Library! We are looking for children to join "Duke's Troupe" which includes singing, movement, or clapping "on stage" with Duke. If your child would like to learn a

song ahead of time, please call 262-335-5151, ext. 5246 to register! Duke will email you a very simple YouTube instructional video. Song choices include: Everybody Spin (singing, movement, and clapping), Super Rowan (singing and movement), OR Joy's a



grump (singing). [Join the Facebook event here.](#)

## **5th Annual Cookbook Sale**

**Friday, May 10 at 10 AM - 5 PM and Saturday, May 11, 2019 at 9 AM - 12 PM**

The annual Cookbook Sale sells used & gently used cookbooks, art books, and craft books to raise funds that will be used to purchase new cookbooks and craft books throughout the year. All of the proceeds are put back into buying new library books! New this year will be Adult Non-fiction books and DVDs. [For more information, visit our Facebook page!](#)

## **BAKE SALE**

**Friday, May 10 at 10 AM (until supplies run out)**

This year marks 5 years of the annual Cookbook Sale. To celebrate this anniversary, we are hosting a Bake Sale on Friday, May 10. The Bake Sale will be held along with the cookbook sale, so you can treat yourself while browsing for treat books!

## **Lego Club**

**Saturday, May 11 at 10 AM**

We provide the Legos, you provide the imagination. Children of all ages, genders and experience levels come and build a creation of their choosing. The completed creations are displayed at the library on our Lego Display Area until the next Lego Club meeting. Lego Club meets once a month - check our calendar or our children's events brochure for upcoming dates - and no registration is necessary.



## **Anime Manga Club**

**Tuesday, May 14 at 4:30 PM**

Open to students in grades 6-12, this is a monthly opportunity for teens to interact with fellow anime and manga enthusiasts, watch anime, and discuss manga! Cosplay is always welcome. We screen two episodes from a different anime each month. Anime Manga Club is a free event.

## **Explore WI Travel**

**Wednesday, May 15 at 7 PM**

Join David Spiegelberg from the Wisconsin Department of Tourism, as he showcases the hot, new travel destinations in our great state of Wisconsin! David will also highlight traditional travel destinations as well. No registration is necessary for this program.

## **Understanding Medicare with Kathy Leitner**

**Wednesday, May 15 at 10 AM**

Learn about how to enroll, what Medicare covers and does not cover, how to make the most of your rights, options, and entitlements, and much more. Please call 262-627-9664 or email [kathy\\_leitner@yahoo.com](mailto:kathy_leitner@yahoo.com) with questions or to RSVP. Refreshments served.

## **It's Lit - Teen Book Club**

**Thursday, May 16 at 4:30 PM**

Our teen book club meets once a month to discuss a book we've chosen. Many of our selections have been banned or challenged - come find out why! For May, we're discussing *Anna and the French Kiss* by Stephanie Perkins while watching selections

from the compilation film *Paris, je t'aime* (2006. PG-13). Feel free to bring a snack or a full-on dinner. Geared toward ages 13-18, no signup is necessary.

### **A Different Way of Seeing the World: Mental Health Awareness Friday, May 17 at 1 PM**

Mental health is at the core of our well being and ability to care for ourselves and others. Did you know mental illness can even affect physical health? Each part of our being is affected by our mental health and then interacts with other systems. Come learn about symptoms and what you can do to help loved ones or friends who might need help.

### **Crafting Saturday: Seashells Saturday, May 18 at 10 AM**

Returning by popular demand - seashell crafts! Drop by to make fun creations using seashells. Choose from: a decorated letter, a shelled mirror, a bit of the beach in a globe, a re-purposed frame, or colored shells. The program is free with all supplies provided. All are welcome to attend; children under age 7 must be accompanied by an adult. No registration is necessary.

### **The Page is Loading . . . Preteen Book Club Tuesday, May 21 at 4:30 PM**

The library's preteen book club is a great way to meet other people who love reading. We don't assign a book - just drop by and talk about your favorite books, or a good book you've read lately, or even something you have to read for school! If you're not sure what to read next, stop by and get some recommendations. Geared toward ages 10-12. Older teens are also welcome, and there's no signup necessary.



### **April Perfume Making with Naturally Betty Jo Monday, May 20 at 6 PM**

Why use toxic fragrances and perfumes when you can make your own using essential oils that can benefit you and your body? Come to this class to find out how! Free recipes included.

### **SALT Thursday, May 23 at 4:30 PM**

SALT stands for Super Awesome Library Teens, and they are exactly what they sound like: extremely awesome teenagers working to make the library a better place. This is a great volunteer opportunity and looks wonderful on a resume as we plan events and develop library collections to better serve teens in the West Bend area. SALT is members only, but we are accepting new applications! Check out our website or contact Hannah at [hkane@west-bendlibrary.org](mailto:hkane@west-bendlibrary.org) to apply.



**The library will be closed the following dates  
for Memorial Day weekend:**

- **Saturday, May 25, 2019**
- **Sunday, May 26, 2019**
- **Monday, May 27, 2019**

## Storytime for Kids

We have several storytime sessions each week to choose from. [Visit our website for more information on Storytimes.](#)



- **Baby/Toddler Storytime** takes place on Wednesdays at 9:15 AM and is for ages 0-24 months. This is about 15 minutes of songs, rhymes, and very short stories and always ends with bubbles and playtime!
- **Preschool Storytime** sessions usually last about 25 minutes and consist of stories, songs, and rhymes, and the children can stay after storytime for a craft. Preschool storytime takes place on Tuesday and Wednesday mornings at 10 AM and Thursday evenings at 6:30 PM.
- All storytime sessions are drop-in and do not require advance registration. If you have questions, please contact Terika Koch at [tkoch@west-bendlibrary.org](mailto:tkoch@west-bendlibrary.org).

## Book Clubs

The library has a variety of Book Clubs that are available to the public. For a full list of our book clubs, [visit our website](#). Here is what we are reading for April:

- **Clue: A Mystery Book Club** - Tuesday, May 14 at 5:30 PM: *If Books Could Kill* by Kate Carlisle
- **Once Upon a Mystery Book Club** - Wednesday, May 8 at 3 PM: *The Seagull* by Ann Cleeves
- **Books and Beers Book Club** - Wednesday, May 8 at 6:30 PM: *Sisters First* by Barbara and Jenna Bush. Location to be determined. Contact Sara at 262-335-5151, ext 5259 with any questions.
- **Thursday Book Club** - Thursday, May 16 at 10 AM: *Circe* by Madeline Miller
- **Readventurers Book Club** - Thursday, May 16 at 6:30 PM: *Cutting Season* by Attica Locke
- **Book Bags Book Club** - Wednesday, May 22 at 1 PM: Bring your own book for discussion!

## COMING SOON!

### 2019 Children's Summer Reading Program runs June 6 - July 31!

Sign-up for summer reading begins June 6 at 6pm. [See a listing of all our summer programming HERE.](#)



### Summer Reading Ice Cream Social Kickoff Thursday, June 6, 2019 at 6:30 PM

[Visit the Facebook event for more details!](#)

### 2019 Adult Summer Reading Program - Universe of Stories Monday, June 3 - Saturday, August 3, 2019

Hey adults, this one is for you. Read whatever you want to this summer and enter in for prizes! Stay tuned to our [website](#) and [Facebook page](#) for more details!

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