

SPRING VALLEY PUBLIC LIBRARY

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HELP CELEBRATE THE LIBRARY'S GOLDEN BIRTHDAY

The Spring Valley Public Library is turning 30 this year on July 30th! We've got a lot to celebrate, and recognizing that none of this would have been possible without you, our patrons, we've decided to invite you all to a special main street birthday bash on Thursday, July 30th from 6:30-8pm. The party will be held at the Raasch Garage on McKay Ave, and will feature live music by the Larry Past Trio, a face painting booth to be run by members of the Spring Valley Royalty, and a free will bake sale.



Larry Past of the Larry Past Trio

We will also be taking this day to announce the top three independent readers from our summer reading program. So kids, make sure to have your reading logs turned in before the party!

In addition to all of our wonderful patrons, who have helped us to make this year an especially successful one, the library would also like to extend a thank you to the local businesses of Spring Valley who have supported us so well over the years. In an effort to highlight a few of these great establishments the library has

invited twelve of them to participate in a community wide scavenger hunt for our younger patrons. At each of the following locations the library has placed a different book cover to be discovered and recorded on a blank checklist (which may be acquired either here at our circulation desk or online at our website): The Spring Valley Bakery, Spring Valley Foods, the First Bank of Baldwin - Spring Valley, Napa Auto Parts, MBC Sports, the Spring Valley Post Office, Sneakers Pub and Eatery, the Spring Valley Telephone Company, Spring Valley Drug and Hardware, Cenex Convenience Store, Shear Results, and Family Dollar. Once a child has found and recorded all twelve of the hidden book titles from our scavenger hunt, they may return their checklist in exchange for a raffle ticket to be entered in a drawing for one of two awesome and valuable air show kites.

Thanks again to all of our patrons. You're the reason we're here! So please, help us kick off the next 30 years right. Mark your calendars and come celebrate!

SPRING VALLEY PUBLIC LIBRARY UPDATES

Library Board Monthly Meeting

Next months' library board meeting will be held Tuesday, August 4 at 7pm. This is a public meeting and all patrons are welcome to attend and speak.

1000 Books Before Kindergarten

Registration is still open for our new 1000 Books Before Kindergarten Program. This free program encourages you to read 1000 books with your child before he/she enters kindergarten. Studies have shown that the more books read to a child before kindergarten, the better that child does in school. Fostering the love to read can start with snuggle time with books. WE LEARN TO READ SO WE CAN READ TO LEARN! Once you register either online at springvalleylibrary.org or by signing up at the circulation desk you will be given a red

folder to begin keeping track. Your child will earn prizes for milestones reached. To learn more about this great program come visit us, check out our website, or email Becky at schmitt@svlibrary.org

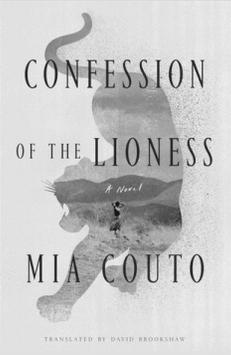
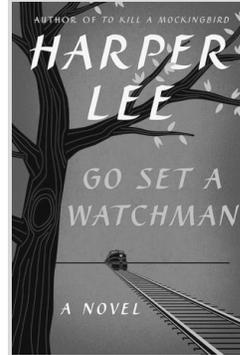
Free Family History Resources

Did you know you had free access to Ancestry.com? At the library, patrons can build their family tree by accessing census, marriage and death records. In addition, our MORE page grants access to seven local databases; including the WI Historical Society. Feel free to ask for help.

Join us on our Goodreads page

Virtually browse our most recent book orders, follow our ongoing A-Z Reading Challenge with Ben, and converse with your fellow patrons all while cataloging your reading history.

Popular Titles Coming Out in July Won't that help Summer fly by?!



The Week of July 6

Those Girls by Chevy Stevens
Bull Mountain by Brian Panowich
Dexter is Dead by Jeff Lindsay
Queen of Fire by Anthony Ryan
The Flying Circus by Susan Crandall
Nemesis by Catherine Coulter
Signal by Patrick Lee

The Week of July 13

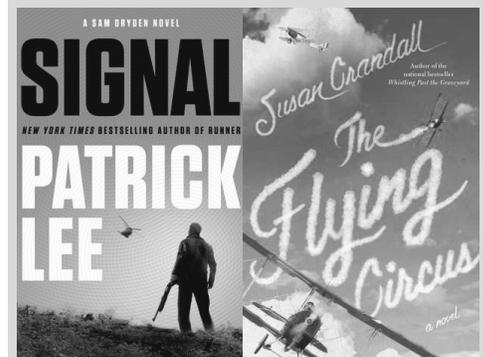
Go Set a Watchman by Harper Lee
Armada by Ernest Cline
Naked Greed by Stuart Woods
After the Storm by Linda Castillo
Outrage by John Sandford
The Naked Eye by Iris Johansen
Lights Out by James Patterson
Confession of the Lioness by Mia Cuoto
Racing the Rain by John L. Parker Jr.

The Week of July 20

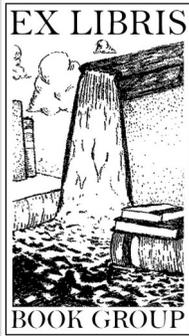
Speaking in Bones by Kathy Reichs
When the Moon is Low by Nadia Hashimi
The Other Daughter by Lauren Willig
The Kindness by Polly Samson

The Week of July 27

Badlands by C.J. Box
Thrill Me by Susan Mallery
Circling the Sun by Paula McLain
Pretty Baby by Mary Kubica
The Dinosaur Lords by Victor Milan
Kitchens of the Great Midwest by J. Ryan Stradal



ADULT PROGRAMS



Adult Book Club

The second monthly meeting of our Book Group will take place July 25th at 9:30am. The book up for discussion is Rachel Joyce's *The Unlikely Pilgrimage of Harold Fry*. This profound novel chronicles a journey undertaken, in the hopes of saving a friend. Copies of the book are available at the library.

Spring Valley Reads—Author Visit

Pick up your free copy of this summer's Spring Valley Reads selection, *I Didn't Stop to Smell the Roses*, by Mary Jane Gruber. Mrs. Gruber will be here July 21st at 6pm to discuss her book and life. This event was co-sponsored by Westconsin Credit Union and the First Bank of Baldwin.

Music in the Park

Music in the Park will be returning July 23rd with a performance from the Rush River Ramblers from 6:00-7:30pm.

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMMING IN JULY

July Story Time and Kid's Club Sessions

This month's Story Time series will feature four abbreviated half-hour presentations to be followed by four special Kid's Club activities inspired by different Superheroes. Both programs will be facilitated by Mrs. Julie Webb. Registration is required for the Kid's Club craft projects and may be completed online or by calling us. The themes for these events are as follows:

- July 8-10am-The Heroes in My Community
- July 8-10:30am-Kid's Club-Superman
- July 15-10am-The Heroes in Storybooks
- July 15-10:30am-Kid's Club-Batman
- July 22-10am-Heroes in the Animal Kingdom
- July 22-10:30am-Kid's Club-Magneto
- July 29-10am-Heroes Save the World
- July 29-10:30am-Lava Man

Children's Monthly Book Club

Our next meeting will take place Saturday, August 1st from 10-10:30. The book up for discussion will be Erica S. Perl's, *When Life Gives you O.J.* We have copies available.

Saturday Movie Matinee

Come watch *The Incredibles* (rated PG) on August 1st at 10:30am; after book club.

Family Game Night

On Friday, July 31st at 5:30pm the library will be hosting a game night. Play 1 of over 30 games or bring your favorite to share.

Brooke Webb Illustration Demonstration

Thursday, July 23rd from 10-11am, the library will be hosting a presentation by teenage artist Brooke Webb, illustrator of Renee Raindrop, on how to draw the characters from her book in addition to offering some tips on creating characters of your own. This event is open to everyone.

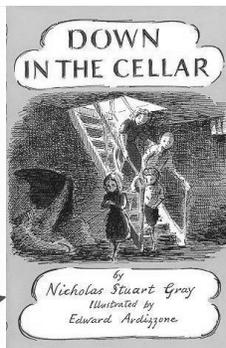
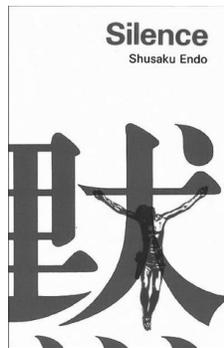
Summer Reading Program Update

On July 1st the library held a midpoint party for all of the independent readers who had reached their goal of reading 500 minutes within the first month of our program. 22 kids showed up to have their minutes tallied, which when combined came out to 17,824 minutes; that's over 297 hours of reading in June! Prizes were awarded to the six readers who had already reached their summer goal of 1,000 minutes and, a Subway lunch was offered to all the kids. Afterwards, we sat down for games and a good time was had by all.

Silence by Shūsaku Endō

Amidst martyrs, forced apostasy, and religious persecution, *Silence* offers an honest examination of one underground priest's spiritual struggles with the "silence" of God during the era of Hidden Christians in 17th Century Japan. With Catholicism outlawed, we follow a young Jesuit, Father Rodriguez, as he smuggles himself into the country on a mission to find his mentor, who is rumored to have apostatized. Harsh and thought-provoking, with deep insight into the hearts of Jesus, Judas, and the reality of martyrdom, *Silence* is a must read.

HERE BE BOOK REVIEWS



Down in the Cellar by Nicholas Stuart Gray

Witches, hunters, and scornful tea cozies make up the cast of villains in this charmingly eerie children's classic. Sent to spend the summer with their rector uncle, things turn dangerous when the children find a wounded and delirious man in the abandoned shelters outside of town and decide to bring him home, secretly, to hide in a forgotten cellar. With a sister who sees fairies, another who is sensitive, and an obnoxiously genius younger brother, our protagonist, Bruce, is forced to lead his siblings on a quest he can't quite understand or believe.

Notable Authors Born in June

- July 1—James M. Cain July 2—Herman Hesse July 3—Franz Kafka July 4—Nathaniel Hawthorne
- July 4—Neil Simon July 7—Robert Heinlein July 9—Ann Radcliffe July 10—Alice Munro July 11—E.B. White
- July 12—Henry David Thoreau July 12—Pablo Neruda July 14—Irving Stone July 18—Hunter S. Thompson
- July 18—William Makepeace Thackeray July 21—Ernest Hemingway July 23—Raymond Chandler
- July 24—Alexandre Dumas July 24—Robert Graves July 26—George Bernard Shaw July 26—Aldous Huxley
- July 28—Beatrix Potter July 28—Natalie Babbitt July 30—Emily Bronte July 31—J.K Rowling



"You must find your dream, then the way becomes easy. But there is no dream that lasts forever, each dream is followed by another, and one should not cling to any particular one." - Herman Hesse (Demian)

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