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The Bookworm

THE BI-MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF THE MIDDLETON PUBLIC LIBRARY

The Middleton Public Library: A Capsule History Timeline

As the City of Middleton is celebrating its 150 year anniversary, we look back on the history of the Middleton Public Library.



The library started as a shelf of books in this store. It remained there for about 3 years.

On February 27, **1927**, the members of the Middleton Progressive Women's Club start a library by donating a shelf's worth of books, which are made available at the Burmeister-Kruse Department Store, located at the northwest corner of Hubbard and Parmenter.



An addition to city hall provides an additional 3,300 square feet of space for the library in **1974**. Middleton goes online with a shared computerized circulation system in **1985**.



The library was in a room at the Village Hall on Hubbard Avenue for 28 years.

In **1930**, the Middleton village board offers use of a second-story room in the village hall. Before the end of the decade, the library expands into an adjacent room to accommodate an expanding collection.



The library finally has its own space in **1990**, and opens March 26. [32,000 square feet on two levels, with most of the lower level unfinished.] In **1994** an online public access computer catalog is introduced.



On March 1, **2004**, the library opens for business in an expanded, completely renovated, and fully occupied space.



For 6 years the library was in this room at the Lubcke Building.

In **1958**, needing more space than the village hall can spare, the library moves to a larger room in the Lubcke Building (formerly the Elk's Hotel) located on the northeast corner of Hubbard and Parmenter.



The library was located in the City Hall building for 26 years.

In **1964**, construction of a new city hall includes 2,200 square feet for the library. The City of Middleton takes over the full operation and financial support of the library. Middleton joins the Dane County Library Service in **1966**.

Huge Book/Bag Sale Coming in April

Friday, April 7, 5-7 pm &

Saturday, April 8, 10 am - 3 pm

This will be the first of only 2 combination book/bag sales in 2006. Become a Friends member and you can shop at the early sale on **Friday, April 7 from 5-7pm**. Memberships can be purchased at the time of the sale or at the library Circulation Desk during regular library hours.

Bag sales are a great way to buy items without spending a lot of money. We will also be featuring magazines weeded from the library's large collection, as well as donated issues. The bag sale will be located across the hall from the regular book sale room in the large Archer meeting room.



Library Staffing Update *Some Hellos and Goodbyes*



Catherine Baer, Library Assistant I, has been hired at the Rosemary Garfoot Public Library in Cross Plains as Youth Services Coordinator. We will miss Catherine but wish her well in her new endeavor.



Lia Vellardita has been hired to fill a Library Assistant I position. Lia is in library school at UW-Madison and joins our staff after several years at the Sequoya branch of the Madison Public Library. We look forward to working with her and welcome her to Middleton.



Vranna Manor, Library Assistant I, has retired. Vranna worked for the library when it was across the street in Middleton City Hall, then served as the librarian at High Point Church Library for 25 years, and was hired back at the Middleton Public Library five years ago. We will miss Vranna, but we certainly wish her well in her retirement.



Jill Maidenbergh has been hired to work at the circulation desk as a Library Page II. Jill recently graduated from library school at UW-Madison, spent time at the Alicia Ashman branch of the Madison Public Library doing a library school practicum, and has worked six months at Middleton Public Library as a Library Page I. We welcome her to the Circulation Desk.

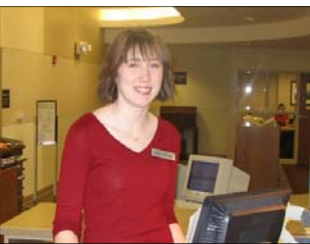


Katie O'Brien and **Sara Simpson** have been hired to job share one of the Library Assistant I positions. Both Katie and Sara have been working at the Middleton Public Library as Library Page IIs and we are pleased to have them assume their new responsibilities.



Peter Matiash has also been hired to work at the Circulation Desk as a Library Page II. Peter is retired from the State of Wisconsin, and has worked at the Middleton Public Library for six months as a Library Page I. We are pleased to have him on the Circulation Desk with us.

From the UW-Madison School of Library and Information Studies *We introduce two graduate students working here this semester.*



Abbey Holt

I am a graduate student studying library science at UW-Madison. From the moment I volunteered at my hometown public library in Cuba City, Wisconsin, I was hooked on the library profession. Since then, I have had the opportunity to experience several types of library settings. Currently, I volunteer at Madison Public Library's Central Branch, where I select large print books for nursing home residents. I am happy to be back in a public library setting and look forward to learning more about adult services and reference work at Middleton. After I graduate in May, I hope to find a position in a public library, ideally serving adults and providing reference service. When I am not in school or at the library, I like to read, watch films, travel (especially to Ireland), and work on my family's genealogy.



Elsworth Rockefeller

I have always wanted to be a librarian, so I am very excited to be graduating from the University of Wisconsin's School of Library and Information Studies in May. Prior to this program, I earned a bachelor's degree in history, theology, and English in Milwaukee and spent one year studying monastic history at Saint John's University in Saint Cloud, MN. I am eager to pursue a career in public library youth services, either serving the whole spectrum of youth from birth to eighteen or focusing exclusively on young adult services. I am especially interested in getting boys and young men energized about reading, and look forward to incorporating this passion

into my library profession. In addition to my practicum at Middleton, I work as a reference assistant at the Cooperative Children's Book Center and as a Reference Project Assistant at UW's College Library. I also volunteer as a Co-Chair of UW's American Libraries Association Student Chapter and as a member of the Allied Drive Story Time Program, which plans and performs literacy-based programming as an after-school option for local youth. When I'm not singing "The Bean Bag Rock" for Story Time, I enjoy hiking the Coastal Path in Wales, ballroom dancing, and making puppets.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	<h1>MARCH 2006</h1> <p>Events at the Middleton Public Library</p>				<p>■ = Youth Event ■ = Tween Event ■ = Teen Event ■ = Adult Event ■ = Friends Event</p>	
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				7:00 Nutrition Program with Donna Weihofen		
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
	10:00 Friends Book Sorting		10:00 Book Discussion for Adults 4:00 Tween Only Mystery Night	2:00 Introduction to Excel 7:00 Teen Event: Get Wired 7:00 Book Discussion for Adults	10:00 Introduction to The Internet	 10:00-1:30 Friends Book Sale
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
	4:00 Teen Advisory Committee 6:30 Friends Book Sorting		2:00 Introduction to LINKcat 4:00 Teen Books & Bagels	2:00 Intermediate Excel 4:00 Krafty Kids		
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
	 1:30 Baby Storytime	9:30 Storytime 10:30 Storytime 4:00 Book Bunch	9:30 Storytime 10:30 Storytime 2:00 Advanced LINKcat 6:30 Friends Book Sorting	9:30 Baby Storytime 10:30 Drop-In Storytime		
26	27	28	29	30	31	
	1:30 Baby Storytime	9:30 Storytime 10:30 Storytime 4:00 Book Bunch	9:30 Storytime 10:30 Storytime 1:00 Penguin Party	9:30 Baby Storytime 10:30 Drop-In Storytime 4:00 Tween Book-to-Movie		

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<p>2  Daylight Saving Time Begins</p>	<p>3 10:00 Friends Book Sorting 1:30 Baby Storytime</p>	<p>4 9:30 Storytime 10:30 Storytime 4:00 Book Bunch</p>	<p>5 9:30 Storytime 10:30 Storytime</p>	<p>6 9:30 Baby Storytime 10:30 Drop-In Storytime 7:00 Genealogy 101</p>	<p>7  5:00-7:00 Friends Members Only Book Sale</p>	<p>8  10:00-3:00 Friends Book Sale</p>
<p>9</p>	<p>10 1:30 Baby Storytime 6:30 Friends Book Sorting 4:00 Teen Advisory Committee</p>	<p>11 9:30 Storytime 10:30 Storytime 4:00 Book Bunch</p>	<p>12 9:30 Storytime 10:00 Book Discussion for Adults 10:30 Storytime 4:00 Teen Books & Bagels</p>	<p>13 9:30 Baby Storytime 10:30 Drop-In Storytime 7:00 Teen Duct Work 7:00 Book Discussion for Adults</p>	<p>14 2:00 Tween Only Club: Poetry Slam!</p>	<p>15</p>
<p>16  Easter Library Closed</p>	<p>17 1:30 Baby Storytime</p>	<p>18 9:30 Storytime 10:30 Storytime 4:00 Book Bunch</p>	<p>19 9:30 Storytime 10:30 Storytime 6:30 Friends Book Sorting</p>	<p>20 9:30 Baby Storytime 10:30 Drop-In Storytime 7:00 Feng Shui in the Garden</p>	<p>21</p>	<p>22</p>
<p>23</p>	<p>24 1:30 Baby Storytime</p>	<p>25 9:30 Storytime 10:30 Storytime 4:00 Book Bunch</p>	<p>26 9:30 Storytime 10:30 Storytime 6:30 "Calling All Poets" Reception</p>	<p>27 9:30 Baby Storytime 10:30 Drop-In Storytime 7:00 Author Larry Watson</p>	<p>28 4:00 Krafty Kids</p>	<p>29</p>
<p>30</p>						

Dane County Libraries Celebrate...



Readers in Dane County will once again have an opportunity to share their reading experiences with their friends, neighbors...and even strangers. Dane County libraries are urging everyone to pick up one of Larry Watson's excellent novels in April and join in a book discussion or casual conversation about one or more of his works.

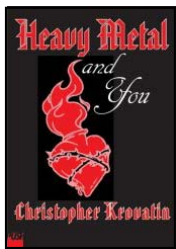
Middleton is delighted to be hosting a reading by Mr. Watson on **Thursday, April 27, at 7:00 p.m.** A book signing and reception will follow his presentation. This

program is free and open to the public; reservations are not required.

The Middleton Public Library will also be hosting two book discussions on Mr. Watson's novel **Orchard: Wednesday, April 12, 10:00 a.m.** and **Thursday, April 13, 7:00 p.m.** Please join us for a discussion of an artist's life in Wisconsin's Door County. Email mid@scls.lib.wi.us, call 827-7403, or stop by the library's Reference Desk to reserve a spot in one of the book discussions.



Teen Book Review



Heavy Metal and You by Christopher Krovatin

Sam is a heavy-metal kind of guy. (He wears black clothes, spiked wristbands & can name a heavy metal song for just about any occasion.) Melissa is a straight-edge kind of girl: never has gotten in trouble, a little preppy, good grades... But they fall for each other. Hard. Then Sam's friends meet

Melissa and they aren't impressed. The feeling is mutual. Melissa thinks Sam has great potential, but she doesn't approve of his smoking and drinking, and isn't that crazy about heavy metal, either. A realistic look at relationships that focuses on how much we should forgive in others, and when we should draw a line for self-preservation. (recommended for mature teens)

- Rebecca Van Dan, Young Adult Librarian

Poetry Celebration at the Library

The Middleton Public Library is Calling All Poets!

You can contribute a poem to the Middleton Public Library's first children's poetry anthology, *MID-KIDS Calling All Poets Poetry Collection*. All poetry submission will be collected and bound into a book that can be checked out from the library! Here's how it works:

Submit your original poem (or poems – there is no limit!) by **April 19th** to the Youth Services Desk. Submissions may either be typed or written in your very best handwriting. Illustrations may accompany the poetry but must be in black & white. Subject & length are up to you! Pick up instructions and entry forms at the Youth Services Desk. *MID-KIDS Calling All Poets Poetry Collection* is open to all children between the ages 5-12.



Tweens Only Club: Poetry Slam

Friday, April 14th 2-3pm. Ages 8-12.

Bring your original and/or favorite poem or poems to share - or create one here!

Snacks & writing materials provided. Sign up at or call the Youth Services Desk.

Poetry Reception and Reading

Wednesday, April 26th at 6:30pm.

Celebrate the publishing of *MID-KIDS Calling All Poets Poetry Collection* with a reception for all contributing poets, their families, and friends. Poets are welcome to read their poems at the reception. Refreshments will be served. Sign up at or call the Youth Services Desk.

For a complete listing of all children and 'tween programs, please check the calendar, our website (www.midlibrary.org), pick up a flyer at the Youth Services Desk, or call us at (608)827-7402.

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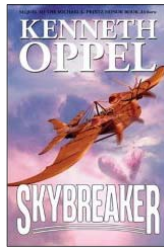
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The Middleton Public Library is
Open to Serve you
Monday—Thursday 9 am-9 pm
Friday 9 am-6 pm
Saturday 9 am-5 pm
Sunday (Sept-May) 1 pm-5 pm



'Tween Read



Skybreaker by Kenneth Oppel

Return to the world of luxury airships with Matt Cruse in this swashbuckling sequel to *Airborn*.

Now a student at the prestigious Airship Academy, Matt endures his practical assignment aboard the dubiously captained airship Flotsam. When the captain recklessly sails the ship through a huge storm, the ship is tossed about until rising dangerously high on violent updrafts. There, up high above the clouds, the crew makes an amazing discovery. And higher still is the lost treasure ship, the Hyperion. Motivated by greed, the disreputable captain attempts to

reach the Hyperion to salvage her treasure. Only Matt's quick thinking saves himself and the crew from certain death as they rise too high for the Flotsam's capabilities. When others find out that Matt alone knows the coordination of the Hyperion, he finds himself in a dangerous position. The only solution - find the Hyperion himself. With the help of the indomitable Kate De Vries, Matt sets off on a skybreaker ship, a ship designed to travel higher than any other ship made. Highly recommended for ages 9 & up.

- Lori Bell,
Youth Services Librarian

The Library Gratefully Thanks All Its Wonderful & Hard-Working Volunteers. We couldn't do it without you!



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Dina Vandenberg

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Sasha Wey

Linda Whalen

Jeanne Whitsitt

Donna Williams

Nate Williams

Richard Wiringa

Kate Zimmerman

April 23-April 29 is National Volunteer Week! The Library Salutes All Community Volunteers!

If you are interested in volunteering at the Middleton Public Library, contact Liz at mid@scls.lib.wi.us or call 827-7403.