



The Bookworm

THE BI-MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF THE MIDDLETON PUBLIC LIBRARY

Money Programs at the Library

UW-Madison Psychologist Heidi Beckman will discuss personal change techniques that have the power to transform the way we think and behave in relation to money. The "Pocket Change" program has the power to improve one's financial situation by creating motivation and promoting lifestyle changes. Join Dr. Beckman on **Thursday, September 15, 7:00 pm.**

The Wisconsin Women's Business Initiative is offering a free four week course called Making Your Money Talk: a Complete Personal Money

Book Donations

Every week, community members donate books to the Friends of the Middleton Public Library (FoMPL). Many of the books are nearly new. The Friends sort books received and sell them in a variety of ways, mostly from the on-going book sale shelves, first-floor of the library, or through Second-Saturday Sales. Some specialty books are sold on the Internet.

The Friends make every effort to sell every book donated so that the library can benefit from the donations made by the community. However, when books do not sell, they are donated to other organizations. During this last year, FoMPL donated books to these organizations:

- Middleton Public Schools for classrooms and libraries
- South Central Library System (for a project with prisons)
- Friends of Elkhorn Library for their library collection and for their book sale
- Friends of Bekkum Memorial Library, Westby, for their book sale
- Dane County Jail (two sites)
- Dane County Badger Prairie Health Center
- Madison, Westside Senior Center (for bingo prizes and for their book sale)
- For parents in serving Afghanistan (parents taped their reading of children's books – then they sent book & tape to their children)
- Oregon Correctional Camp (job preparation books for inmates about to return to their communities)
- A nursing home in Waunakee
- Participants in the MOM garden project (gardening books

Management class. Topics will include creating a personal budget, developing a savings plan, and dealing with credit. The class runs from **10am to noon on Thursdays, October 13 through November 3.** Dane County class participants who attend all four sessions will receive a \$50 Savings Bond!

For more information or to register for these programs, email mid@scls.lib.wi.us or call 827-7403.



and cookbooks)

- A Madison food pantry (children's books)
- Various church groups who use bibles and religious materials locally or in missionary work

The Friends also work on an on-going basis with Rotary Books for the World. Carol and Bob Dombroski pick up books after each bag sale to be boxed and sent to schools and libraries in Africa. (Some books from Middleton might be in this picture).



Sibonelo School near Durban, South Africa

FoMPL is always looking for new organizations that need books. The Friends appreciate the donations from our community and want to be sure they do not go to waste. Please contact Anna Biermeier (bierhan@tds.net) if you know an organization that is interested in receiving used books.



From the Director's Desk

“Something...gave me permission to do things I had never done before. Never thought of doing. Something there triggered the unfolding of those parts that had been incubating. Things that had lain inside me, curled up like the turtle hatchlings newly emerged from their eggs, taking time in the dark of their next to unfurl themselves.”—E.L. Konigsburg, *The View from Saturday*.

Studies on infant brain development have shown that a child's development before the age of three is just as important for future scholastic success as the skills learned once a child is ready to start school. Parents, grandparents, childcare providers and preschool teachers have important work to help children be ready to learn before they enter school. The good news is that the Middleton Public Library can help.

The Library offers Story times for Toddlers, Big Kids, Tiny Tots and All Ages, and Family Events like the “Goldilocks and the Three Bears Party” in November. The Youth Page on our website called to *Booklists* connects readers with over two dozen subject based bibliographies, and our *Links for Kids* section is designed to guide readers to family-friendly online resources that support literacy. The Early Literacy PC Station is a popular destination for children visiting the Middleton Public Library. The Literacy Station features 50 educational software choices and uses interactive colorful graphics to combine digital learning with literacy skills. The Parenting Resources shelves, located in the Youth Services area of the Library, provide books, magazines and films on a wide array of related topics.

In June of this year, our Head of Youth Services Librarian Amanda Struckmeyer participated at the American Library Association's National Conference, as a member of the Association for Library Services to Children (ALSC). Amanda attended sessions including a sneak peek at the Every Child Ready to Read campaign that acknowledges the

public library's role in helping develop language and pre-reading skills in children from birth to age five through talking, singing, reading, writing and playing.

The five basic principles of the Every Child Ready to Read initiative is:

- 1. Parents are the child's first and most valuable teacher.**
- 2. Reading is an essential life skill.**
- 3. Learning to read begins at birth.**
- 4. Play provides a wide range of benefits and opportunities for the child.**
- 5. Lifelong learning is a primary role of the public library and as a result public libraries need to support families as they help their children learn to read.**

Another principle that emerged from the creation of this program was: forming partnerships with other organizations and institutions is a vital component to the success of an early literacy program, particularly for those families most at risk. As a result, Middleton Public Library staff is partnering with other local agencies to implement some of these concepts through outreach events to those who may not frequent the library and whose children may be at risk of not getting the exposure to books and educational materials during those formative years.

“If the road goes in, it must come out...and as the Emerald City is at the other end of the road, we must go wherever it leads us.” —L. Frank Baum, *The Wonderful Wizard of Oz*.



- Pamela K. Westby,
Library Director

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
 <h1 style="text-align: center;">SEPTEMBER 2011</h1> <p style="text-align: center;">Events at the Middleton Public Library</p>						
				1	2	3 10:00 Computer One on Ones Registration Required
4	5 Labor Day Library Closed	6 10:00 Computer One on Ones Registration Required 3:30 'Tween Knitting Circle	7 9:30 Friends Book Sorting 7:00 Songs of Mark Twain's America	8	9 2:00 Computer One on Ones Registration Required	10  9:00-2:30 Friends Book Sale (first 2 hours - Friends Only)
11  Sunday Hours Resume! Library Open 1-5 1:30-4:00 Friends Book Sale	12 4:00 Teen Advisory Committee 6:00 Library Volunteer Appreciation Dinner 6:30 Friends Book Sort	13 9:30 Toddler Storytime 10:30 Big Kids Storytime 2:00 All Ages Storytime 3:30 'Tween Knitting 6:30 Library Board Meeting	14 9:30 Tiny Tots Storytime 10:30 All Ages Storytime 4:00 Books & Brownies	15 9:30 Baby Storytime 10:00 Book Discussion for Adults 10:30 All Ages Storytime 3:45 Magic Tree House Party 7:00 Pocket Change & Personal Finance	16 9:30 Bilingual Storytime 4:00 The How, What and Why of Blogging	17 10:00 Chess Club
18	19 6:00 Parenting & Family Work- shop: Fall Family Fun!	20 9:30 Toddler Storytime 10:30 Big Kids Storytime 2:00 All Ages Storytime	21 9:30 Tiny Tots Storytime 9:30 Friends Book Sorting 10:30 All Ages Storytime	22 9:30 Baby Storytime 10:30 All Ages Storytime 4:00 Teen Readathon	23 9:30 Bilingual Storytime	24
25	26 6:00 Banned Books Club and Pizza Dinner	27 9:30 Toddler Storytime 10:30 Big Kids Storytime 2:00 All Ages Storytime 3:30 'Tween Knitting Circle	28 9:30 Tiny Tots Storytime 9:30 Friends Book Sorting 10:30 All Ages Storytime 3:30 Scaredy Squirrel Party	29 9:30 Baby Storytime 10:30 All Ages Storytime 7:00 Lewis & Clark Trail Travelogue	30 9:30 Bilingual Storytime	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ = Youth Event ■ = 'Tween Event ■ = Teen Event ■ = Adult Event ■ = Friends Event

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Monday—Thursday 9am-9pm
Friday 9am-6pm : Saturday 9am-5pm
Sunday (Sept-May) 1pm-5pm

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	<h1>OCTOBER 2011</h1> <h2>Events at the Middleton Public Library</h2>					<p>1</p> <p>2:00 Movie: Wimpy Kid 2: Rodrick Rules</p>
2	<p>3</p> <p>9:30 Friends Book Sorting 4:00 Teen Advisory Committee 6:30 American Girl Party: Kit and Ruthie</p>	<p>4</p> <p>9:30 Toddler Storytime 10:30 Big Kids Storytime 2:00 All Ages Storytime 3:30 'Tween Knitting 7:00 Wit & Wisdom of Neil Simon with Heartline Theatricals</p>	<p>5</p> <p>9:30 Tiny Tots Storytime 10:00 Intro to Yoga (registration required) 10:30 All Ages Storytime 4:00 Books & Brownies</p>	<p>6</p> <p>9:30 Baby Storytime 10:30 All Ages Storytime</p>	<p>7</p> <p>9:30 Bilingual Storytime</p>	<p>8</p> <p>SALE 10:00-1:30 Friends Book Sale (1st hour - Friends Only)</p>
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23	24	<p>25</p> <p>9:30 Toddler Storytime 10:30 Big Kids Storytime 12:00 EnAct program on Electric Cars 2:00 All Ages Storytime 3:30 'Tween Knitting</p>	<p>26</p> <p>9:30 Tiny Tots Storytime 9:30 Friends Book Sorting 10:30 All Ages Storytime 3:30 Monster Party</p>	<p>27</p> <p>9:30 Baby Storytime 10:00 WWBI Make Your Money Talk 10:30 All Ages Storytime 12:30 Open Art Studio: Make a Monster 3:15 HH Set Up</p>	<p>28</p> <p>9:30 Bilingual Storytime 3:00 Open House Halloween Craft & Costume Parade 4:00 Haunted House</p>	<p>29</p> <p>2:30 Scary Stories Told in the Dark</p>
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Fall Programs for Teens

Calling all teen bookworms: think you can out-read your competitors? Come to our **Teen Readathon** on **Thursday, Sept. 22, 5-8 pm** and try our book appetizers, main courses, and sweet dessert books... Yes, you can also BYOB (bring your own book). There will be a 5 minute break after every hour, doodling or talking will result in disqualification. Remaining contestants left at 7:30 will try to break the tie in a Sudden Death Book Trivia contest based on books from the menu. One grand prize awarded, surprise gift to all participants who make it to the Sudden Death Trivia contest.

In October, we dare you to come to our **Haunted Library!** Lots of ghoulishly gory scares!

Come haunt the downstairs of the library on **Oct. 28, 4-6 pm**, but beware black cats, flying bats, and other creepy, crawly critters... Teens—want to help us set up? Ask for Rebecca at the Youth Services Desk or email: rvan-dan@scls.lib.wi.us. Lights on version for children for the first 15 minutes of program.



Don't forget about our **Teen Advisory Committee** and **Books & Brownies** programs which meet monthly! Please check our brochures for more details.

- Rebecca Van Dan, Head of Young Adult Services



The library is happy to announce that an excellent new database, **Newsbank**, is available on our website to patrons with Middleton PL as their primary pick-up location. NewsBank provides access to over 1700 full-text sources including news videos, transcripts, newspapers, journals, and magazines. This database provides full-text access to the Wisconsin State Journal and the Capital Times, along with the Milwaukee Journal Sentinel and 18 other Wisconsin sources. For more information, please contact the Reference Desk at 827-7403.

Want to give your impressions of the new LinkCat?

The South Central Library System has a Citizen's Tech Advisory Group that takes surveys to provide feedback on how LinkCat meets their needs. Please note that this is not a discussion group or a place to get feedback on specific issues; the group simply takes surveys as they are created and the responses are used to improve LinkCat. We do not see the surveys here at the Middleton Public Library—your responses go directly to the South Central Library System, which oversees changes to

LinkCat. If you are interested, please go to the following website and follow directions to subscribe:

<http://lists.scls.lib.wi.us/mailman/listinfo/scls-citizentech>

We hope that many issues with the new LinkCat will be resolved soon.



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September is National Library Card Sign-up Month!



Join City Administrator Mike Davis and get the smartest card of all--your library card.

Middleton Public Library Board Members

Rusty Shoemaker-Allen, Library Board President; Stephanie Hammes, Library Board Vice President; Christopher Clay, Library Board Secretary; Gurdip Brar, Library Board Council Liaison; Joan Gillman, Lisa Helmuth, Anne Irish, Jill Kubiak, Steve Soeteber

Fall Fun for Kids and Families!

Chess Club

Saturday, September 17, 10:00 am – 12:00 pm

All ages are welcome. Sign up is not required.

Fall Family Fun

Monday, September 19, 6 – 7 p.m.

"Fall" in love with Wisconsin! David Spielberg from the Wisconsin Department of Tourism and Val Steel from the Middleton Tourism Commission will present a fun and informative program with a focus on local and statewide family friendly seasonal activities. Children of all ages are welcome to attend with an adult. Refreshments will be served. Stop by the Main Level Help Desk or call (608)827-7402 to register.

Scaredy Squirrel Party!

Wednesday, September 28, 3:30 – 4:15 pm

It's a birthday party for Scaredy Squirrel! We'll read some Scaredy Squirrel Books, make a project fit for a squirrel, sing "Happy Birthday", and eat some cake! Ages 5 & up. Sign up at the Main Level Help Desk.

Krafty Kids

Saturday, October 22, 2:30 – 3:30 pm

Make fun Halloween crafts!. Ages 5 and up. Sign up is not required.

Monster Party!

Wednesday, October 26, 3:30 – 4:15 pm

Monster stories, monster movie, monster music, monster snacks! Ages 5 & up. Sign up at the Main Level Help Desk.

Open House Halloween Craft and Costume Parade

Friday, October 28 at 3:00 pm

Stop into the storytime room anytime between 3:00 and 3:45 pm to make a Halloween inspired craft. We'll line up for the costume parade at 3:45 pm. Stop at the Main Level Help Desk and receive a "trick-or treat". If you're feeling brave, visit the Haunted House starting at 4:00 pm! All ages. Sign up is not required.

Fall Storytimes

September 12-November 18

Storytimes take place Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday mornings. We also have a Tuesday afternoon storytime, perfect for kids that go to morning ½ day kindergarten and pre-K. Check the calendar insert for specific times.

