



# The Bookworm

THE BI-MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF THE MIDDLETON PUBLIC LIBRARY

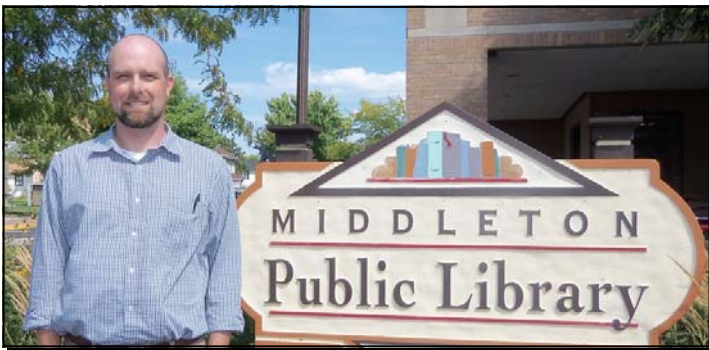
## Dane County-Wide Trivia Night: A Fundraiser for the Beyond the Page Campaign

**Saturday, October 20 at 7 pm**  
**at Food Concepts, 2551 Parmenter St.,**  
**Middleton**

Join us for a team trivia competition and help us reach our fundraising goal for the Beyond the Page endowment! Assemble your team and compete against other trivia buffs for gold, silver, and bronze medals. Teams should include no more

than 10 people and must be registered in advance. Entry fee is \$10 per person. Register your team online at [www.beyondthepage.info](http://www.beyondthepage.info) or stop by the reference desk on the library's lower level for more information. Beverages and light snacks will be available, and teams are encouraged to bring their own snacks and refreshments!

## Meet Brendan Faherty, Middleton Library's New Head of Circulation Services



### ***Tell us how you first got involved in public libraries?***

I used to teach high school English and had decided I didn't really want to do that any longer. On a whim, I applied for a part-time position with the public library because I figured "same basic type of job, without all the 'at-home' work." Fast forward ten years, and it turned out better than I could have imagined.

### ***What do you like most about working in libraries?***

I really enjoy interacting with the public on a daily basis. I have been incredibly fortunate to develop good relationships with many library customers over the years—it's a rewarding experience to recognize and get to know them. Every day is truly different and I enjoy the challenges that arise. I also enjoy working with fellow library staff to provide the best possible library experience for the public. Teamwork fosters creativity and compassion and really benefits everyone, both staff and customers.

### ***What's your personal philosophy on public library Circulation Services?***

Circulation Services should be as painless as possible for the customer. Everything we do should facilitate that goal. As much as we need to embrace all the technological advancements available to libraries, it's still vital to present a friendly face and understanding ear. I am also a firm believer in leading by example. I don't expect my staff to do anything that I cannot or will not do.

### ***What might (someone) be surprised to know about you?***

I have a sizable collection of football cards (specifically Wisconsin Badger alums)  
 I completed two grades in one year (in elementary school).

### ***What do you think will change in libraries in the next five years?***

More digital content, more demand for instant downloads/access to any title. More streaming services (a la Pandora)—music and magazine versions of these are already being marketed to libraries.

### ***When you aren't working in the library what might we find you doing?***

Snowboarding, golfing, running, playing with my kids, still remodeling our treehouse

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## From the Director's Desk

One of the best examples of public libraries collaborating for the common good can be found right here in Dane County with the Beyond the Page Endowment (BtP). The project involves all 28 public libraries, Dane County Library Service and Madison Community Foundation working together to create an endowment fund to support free humanities programs that reflect our diverse heritage, traditions and history for generations to come.

Not only does BtP support the mission of Middleton Public Library, "to make a positive difference in the quality of life in our community," but it will expand the library's existing programming so independent learners can gather and collect ideas through author visits, traveling exhibits, lectures and other events focused specifically on humanity rich topics.

Illustrations of humanities programs here at the Middleton Public Library are the Mark Twain event offered last June, our weekly bi-lingual storytimes on Friday mornings and the upcoming Forward Theatre performance on October 18th.

The Beyond the Page campaign received a \$350,000 challenge grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) which requires that our community raise \$3.00 for every \$1.00 from the NEH. Dane County libraries have already collected over \$950,000 for the \$1.4 million target. Each library is raising \$10,000 to fulfill the goal. You can help Middleton Public Library with your tax deductible donation. Visit the library or our website for more information.

- Pamela K. Westby, Library Director

We would like to thank and congratulate valued staff member **Carol Utter**, Library Page I for Technical Services, who worked for the library for 16 ½ years until her retirement this August. She prepared for check-out all of our DVDs, Blu-rays, music CDs, books on CD, Playaways, language learning software, University on the Go kits, and video games, and we greatly appreciate her dedication, loyalty, and friendship throughout the years. Best wishes Carol!



## Meet Brendan Faherty *Continued from Page 1*

### ***What sorts of trends do you see in technology, as they pertain to Circulation Services?***

Automation continues to be the key tech focus in Circulation, I think. I anticipate more and more functionality with smart phones/QR readers in the library, both on the patron and staff sides. We are already seeing patrons with their library barcodes on their iPhones using the self-check machines, and I anticipate that will only become more and more prevalent. On the staff side, I see more hand-held devices being used in all facets of Circulation.

### ***Describe your experiences with reading. Where is your preferred place to read?***

I was never actually a big reader growing up. For some reason, once I got to college, I started reading again for pleasure (in my minimal spare time). Now I've gotten to the point where I can't go to bed without reading a couple

of pages. Even if it's just a paragraph or two, it keeps you in the story, so to speak. We have a big armchair in our living room that is a wonderful place to sit and read/fall asleep.

### ***Tell us about favorite authors or genres you enjoy reading***

So many...Lord of the Rings, Kerouac, Neal Cassady, George Martin, J. Maarten Troost, Simon Winchester, Tim O'Brien, Palahniuk, Harry Potter, the Alchemyst series, Thomas Pynchon, Neal Stephenson, Jo Nesbo, Neil Gaiman, Mike Perry, probably many others I'm forgetting right now.

### ***Anything else you would like to share with us?***

I am thrilled to join the Middleton Public Library and can't wait to be a part of the library staff!

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9  Sunday Hours Resume! Library Open 1-5 1:30-3:30 Friends Book Sale	10 6:00 Kids, Food Allergies & Back to School 6:30 Friends Book Sorting	11	12 6:30 Papercrafts with Staff of Anthology	13 2:00 Techno Minutes 7:00 Apps Showcase!	14	15 10:00 Chess Club
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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. 20, 4-7:30 pm** and try our book appetizers, main courses, and sweet dessert books (Real food will also be served) 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, t-shirt awarded to participants who make it to the Sudden Death Trivia contest. We will be outside behind the library unless weather forces us inside.



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

## Programs for Adults in September and October

### Author Clark Kidder: *Emily's Story* Thursday, September 27 at 7 pm

Join Wisconsin author Clark Kidder as he discusses his latest book, *Emily's Story: The Brave Story of an Orphan Train Rider*. The book tells the story of Kidder's maternal grandmother who, at the age of 14, was plucked from the Girl's Reform School in Manhattan and placed on a train, along with eight other children, bound for Hopkinton, Iowa. Emily was one of over 200,000 children sent west on the "orphan trains" between 1854 and 1930. *Emily's Story* is a tribute to the human spirit of an extraordinary young girl who became an extraordinary woman.

### Forward Theater Company Presents: *The Love That Changed My Life*

#### Thursday, October 18 at 7 pm

Originally produced in February of 2011, *The Love That Changed My Life* monologues address love and relationships in many forms – from one girl's obsession with hot dogs, to a man's memories summer baseball games with his uncle, to seeing a friend in a new light via yoga practice, to an unhealthy romantic attachment between a man and a bear. The show enjoyed only three performances in Overture Center's Promenade Hall, and was described by critics as "fresh, funny and sweet."

Funding for this series is provided by the Madison Community Foundation. These performances are the first major programming to result from the Beyond the Page Campaign, a joint effort of the Dane County Library Service and the Madison Community Foundation to create a permanent

library on **Oct. 31, 4-5 pm**, but beware black cats, flying bats, and other creepy, crawly critters. All ages welcome! 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.

New this fall: Saturday programming for teens! Bring your favorite music (iPod, CDs, or preferred music player) and join us for **Music Sharing** on **Sept. 8 or Oct. 13, from 2-3 pm**. 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

endowment that will support expanded humanities programming in all 28 public libraries in Dane County.

### *Mysterious Creatures of Wisconsin* Thursday, October 25 at 7 pm

Paranormal investigator Chad Lewis of Unexplained Research discusses his on-site investigations into Wisconsin's most mysterious creatures—from the Bigfoot of the north woods and phantom pigs of Door County to alien encounters in Elmwood, vampires, sea serpents and more. Filled with eye-witness testimony, photos, and sound clips, this presentation also includes directions to areas around the state where intrepid monster-hunters can have their own paranormal experience.

### September Technology Classes Apps Showcase!

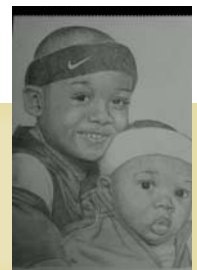
#### Thursday, September 13 at 7 pm

Join us as we take a look at some of the most useful apps out there for your iOS or Android device. Share with others the apps that you use most often and take a look at the brand new LINKcat app!

### Ebooks for your Kindle

#### Wednesday, September 26 at 7 pm

Join us for a step-by-step demonstration of how to download free ebooks to your Amazon Kindle. Participants will learn how to use Overdrive, the library's digital content provider, to place holds, download ebooks, and manage their accounts.



### Drawings by Desere Mayo on display in the library September - October

Artist's Statement: I have been drawing since I was three. Through my work I want to capture that special moment when the picture was taken through a drawing. My drawings allow people to remember the good times, memories, and how special the person or people are in the portrait.

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## American Girl Author Visit, Celebration, and Raffle

Join us in celebrating American Girl's newest character, Caroline, whose story is set during the War of 1812! Author Kathleen Ernst will give us a peek at what it was like to write the Caroline books, and we'll try crafts inspired by Caroline. All ages are welcome! **Wednesday, October 24 at 2 pm.** So that we can be sure to have enough supplies, please sign up at the Main Level Help Desk or by calling (608) 827-7402. Purchase raffle tickets before or at the event for a chance to win a Caroline doll and other prizes, while supporting Dane County's Beyond the Page endowment program. Raffle ticket sales begin October 1st. The celebration (author visit and crafts) is free of charge, thanks to the generous support of the Friends of the Middleton Public Library.



### Middleton Public Library Board Members

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

## Fall Fun for Kids and Families!

### Bicultural-Bilingual Indian-English Storytime Mondays, September 17-November 12, 10 am

A brand new storytime series begins this fall. Take a trip to India every Monday morning! Enjoy stories, songs, and a simple craft inspired from India. Along the way, we'll learn some Indian words, phrases, and nursery rhymes for a bicultural treat! All ages are welcome. Sign up is not required.

### Kids, Food Allergies, & Back to School Monday, September 10, 6-7 pm

Whether your child has a food allergy or not, this program will help parents and kids gain some knowledge and understanding that will help you in packing school lunch, bringing snacks for school events, and hosting play dates and parties. Amy Recob, author of Bugabees: Friends with Food Allergies, will be here to present a fun and informative program on how to make it all work! Parents, caregivers, and kids are welcome to attend. Allergy-free sample foods will be provided. Stop by the Main Level Help desk or call (608)827-7402 to sign up.

### Chess Club

**Saturdays, Sept 15 & Oct. 27, 10am-12 noon**

All ages and levels are welcome. Sign up is not required.

### Kids Book Club: Splat the Cat

**Wednesday, September 19, 3:30-4:15 pm**

Join us for a fun-filled book club featuring the Splat the Cat books by Rob Scotton. We'll also watch the short ani-

mated film version of Splat the Cat. Fun activities and snacks, too! Ages 5 & up. Stop by the Main Level Help desk or call (608)827-7402 to sign up.

### Play Literacy Goes Grocery Shopping! Saturday, September 29, 2:30-3:30 pm

Kids will build literacy skills through grocery themed activities. Make shopping lists, fill up grocery carts, play with a cash register, pack up groceries, and read picture books about the grocery. We'll have fun props and toys to help make pretend play come to life! All ages are welcome. Sign up is not required.



### A Week of Halloween Celebrations!

**Saturday, Oct. 20, 2:30-3:30 pm:** Krafty Kids: Halloween Fun! (ages 5 & up)

**Monday, Oct. 22, 3:30-4:15 pm:** Monster Party (all ages)

**Saturday, Oct. 27, 2:30-3:30 pm:** Costume & Lego Block Party (all ages)

Something for everyone! Call (608)827-7402 or stop by the Main Level Help Desk to sign up for the Monster Party. Sign up is not required for Krafty Kids and the Costume & Lego Party.

We'll also have our regular schedule of morning storytimes. Visit our library's website ([www.midlibrary.org](http://www.midlibrary.org)) or call the Main Level Help Desk at (608)827-7402 for more details.