



# The Bookworm



THE BI-MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF THE MIDDLETON PUBLIC LIBRARY

## FROM THE DIRECTOR'S DESK



Greetings Good Neighbors!

In 2015 the library underwent a space needs and building study that utilized extensive data, authoritative reports, and public input, determining an immediate need for expansion or a new

building. The recommendation was to triple the size of the current 32,000 sq. ft. building. The study found, by measuring national circulation per capita for U.S. libraries with a service population of 25,000-49,999, that Middleton Public Library is the only Wisconsin public library in the national top 25 - ranking 9th. Additionally, the library leads its Dane County peer group in total circulation, total nonresident circulation, total number of library visits, hours open per week, programs offered, and total number of public access computers. WOW! At least, for now...

In order for our library to continue serving its growing population at the high standards the community has come to expect and appreciate, we must address immediate needs while planning for the long-term future.

In accordance with the library's Strategic Plan Goals, the Library Board of Trustees has contracted with the architecture and design firm, HGA. They are a national firm with a local office in Milwaukee and several of their recent WI projects include the communities of Dodgeville, Egg Harbor, and Brown County. While this partnership will not solve the long-term need for more square footage, it will allow the Board and staff to showcase 21st Century Library concepts while continuing to making the most with what we have. These short-term improvements (8-10 years) will focus heavily on the human-centered experience.

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An average of 30,000 visitors per month visit our library, a 'third place' outside of work/school and home. The extensive space needs data demonstrates the value users put on the library's downtown location. The public library is Middleton's downtown economic anchor.

So, what changes can we look forward to seeing? Service desk reconfigurations to open up flexible floor space, better technology and accessibility in the Archer Meeting Room, comfortable and clean seating, color (a.k.a "de-beiging") with improved wayfinding, and more services like pop-up programming and a possible artist in residency. Through opportunities for public input, the design team will also identify things of importance to the public that need to be preserved and celebrated.

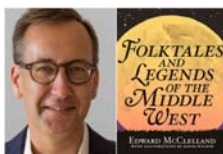
Throughout the Middleton Public Library's history, starting in 1926, the library has gone through seven significant physical evolutions. As another wave of change is underway, it is important to remember that a public library is so much more than just a building. As author Caitlin Moran says, "A library in the middle of a community is a cross between an emergency exit, a life-raft and a festival. They are cathedrals of the mind; hospitals of the soul; theme parks of the imagination. On a cold rainy island, they are the only sheltered public spaces where you are not a consumer, but a citizen instead."

- Jocelyne Sansing, Library Director



Mark your calendars for live jazz at the library on **Friday, September 7th!** For the 3rd year in a row, the library will take part in the **Greater Madison Jazz Consortium's Strollin' Middleton** event, featuring almost 8 hours of continuous and stylistically diverse live jazz at multiple venues, indoors and outdoors, in downtown Middleton.

## EVENTS FOR ADULTS IN JULY & AUGUST



**Author Event: Edward McClelland discusses *Folktales and Legends of the Middle West***

**Wednesday, July 11th, 6:30 PM**

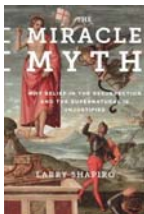
Author and journalist Edward McClelland discusses his new book, *Folk Tales and Legends of the Middle West*. Joining Ted is guitarist/fiddler Mareva Lindo of Chicago's Old Town School of Folk Music, who will be performing some of the folk songs discussed in the book. Copies of the book will be available for purchase at the event, and the evening will conclude with a book signing.



**Scholar'd for Life Lecture Series: Philosophy Professor Larry Shapiro on "What's Wrong with Belief in Miracles?"**

**Wednesday, July 25th, 7:00 PM**

The third lecture of 2018 in our ongoing series! Larry Shapiro, professor of philosophy at UW-Madison, shares a lecture entitled "What's Wrong With Belief in Miracles?" in which he will discuss why beliefs about incredibly unlikely events face a special justificatory burden. This investigation, which can also be applied to supernatural beliefs and conspiracy theories, reminds us of the importance of evidence and rational thinking as we explore the unknown. Shapiro is the author of the 2016 book, *The Miracle Myth*, published in 2016 by Columbia University Press.



For more information about future lectures in this series and videos of past lectures, visit [www.midlibrary.org/sfl](http://www.midlibrary.org/sfl).

**Getting to Know Medicare  
Tuesday, August 21st, 4:30 PM**

**Strategies for Social Security and Retirement Income**

**Tuesday, August 21st, 6:00 PM**

A double-header of informational classes for those approaching retirement age, presented by Jesse Grutz of The Retirement Classroom. Learn the basics of Medicare, including details about eligibility and enrollment, the difference between the component parts (A, B, C & D), and how to maximize your coverage. The second class will cover the various methods of filing for Social Security, strategies for optimizing it, and options for structuring income in retirement.



All events will be held in the Archer Room on the library's lower level. Registration is appreciated: Online at [midlibrary.org/events](http://midlibrary.org/events) or by email at [info@midlibrary.org](mailto:info@midlibrary.org).

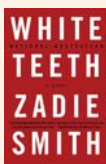
### Upcoming Book Discussions



***You Don't Have to Say You Love Me*  
by Sherman Alexie**

**Thursday, July 19th, 10:00 AM**

The Library's Archer Room



***White Teeth* by Zadie Smith**

(Let's Talk About Texts discussion)

**Thursday, July 19th, 7:00 PM**

The Free House Pub,  
1902 Parmenter St. in Middleton



***Manhattan Beach* by Jennifer Egan**

**Thursday, August 16th, 10:00 AM**

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All Library events are made possible by the generosity of the Friends of the Middleton Public Library. Learn more at [www.midfriends.org](http://www.midfriends.org)



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# July 2018

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## TEEN EVENTS IN JULY & AUGUST



### Libraries Rock!

Teens: have you signed up yet for the **Summer Reading Program**? Don't miss your chance to spin our giant game wheel when you meet your goals and earn chances for a Go Pro camera and Overture Center gift certificates by entering the Grand Prize Drawing! Our **Teen Summer Reading Finale Picnic** is **Saturday, Aug. 11 at noon** in the greenspace next to City Hall—be sure to get your Grand Prize entry forms in before then for the **Grand Prize Drawing**!



### Be Creative!

Do you love to dance? Learn how to dance salsa while trying an array of salsas and chips at our **Salsa Squared** event on **July 6 at 4pm!**

Teen writers, artists, and photographers are invited to submit their entries by **July 16** for the **Writing, Drawing, and Photography contests** (\$50 prize for each). We are also looking for teen judges to help us judge the writing contest!

Create an artistic masterpiece by doing scratch art on old CDs and bring records that you'd like

## HAVE A SPLASHING GOOD TIME

Cool off this summer by visiting the Middleton Public Library at the Splash Pad in Lakeview Park! Sign up for the Summer Reading Program "Libraries Rock!" Get a library card if you don't have one yet, (*with valid ID*). Enjoy some of the fun outdoor toys the library brings, such as hula-hoops and sidewalk chalk. Also, during each of the library visits kids can choose a free book to keep and enjoy a surprise craft activity (*while supplies last*)!

**Monday, June 25 from 9:30-11:30am**  
**Monday, July 9 from 9:30-11:30am**  
**Monday, July 16 from 9:30-11:30am**  
**Thursday, July 26 from 1-3pm**

to swap to the **Scratch Art, Vinyl Exchange, & Ice Cream Social** on **July 19 at 4pm!**



### LibCon, PotterFest, & Masterminds!

Which is better: Marvel or DC, Fortnite or League of Legends, Harry Potter or Maze Runner? On **July 26 at 6pm**, cosplay your favorite character for **LibCon, a Celebration of Fandoms!** (Do you love a fandom that you think nobody's ever heard of? Tell us about it!) Challenge your friends to trivia and LARPing, and bring any manga you'd like to swap!

Harry Potter fans will also want to check out the Library's **PotterFest** activities (**Aug. 14-17**) and the City of Middleton's **ExpectoCon (Aug.17-19)**. Don't miss the **Harry Potter Trivia Challenge** and the **Azkaban Escape Room!**

Would you like to be the mastermind behind our teen events? Our next **Teen Advisory Committee** meeting is on **July 9 at 4pm**, and we'd love to hear your ideas! Suggest, vote on, and help plan our teen events (and recommend movies, books, music, and video games you think we should purchase)!

After enjoying all of the library offerings, stick around to explore Lakeview Park. There is so much to see and do from the Splash Pad, to the playgrounds, to the scenic pond and the trails.



The Splash Pad is a free, outdoor sprinkler park in Lakeview Park in Middleton, 6300 Mendota Avenue @ Allen Boulevard. Look for us under the large pavilion or near the Splash Pad (*weather permitting*).

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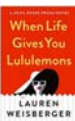
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## STILL LOOKING FOR SOMETHING TO READ THIS SUMMER?

CHECK OUT THIS SELECTION OF BRAND-NEW SEQUELS TO ADD TO YOUR SUMMER READING LIST.



### **When Life Gives You Lululemons** By Lauren Weisberger

This third book in the world of *The Devil Wears Prada* continues to entertain and delight. Desperate to get out of the suburbs and back to the world of fashion and glamour, Emily Charlton bands together with Karolina (a former supermodel who needs to improve her social media image) and Miriam (a high powered attorney/stay-at-home mom) to navigate the inevitable social landmines of suburban life and to win their way back into the good graces of the American public. The infamous Miranda Priestly makes an appearance and proves to be an indispensable ally along the way.



### **Us Against You** By Fredrik Backman

In this sequel to *Beartown* we return to the small hockey obsessed community nestled deep in the forest. Beartown may be small, but the residents take their ice hockey very seriously. So when they hear the local team might be disbanded, things look pretty dire – and things only gets worse when their rival team from Hed makes it obvious they're pretty pleased by this fact. But Beartown gets another chance with a new coach who builds a formidable team... if they can learn to work together. Leading up to the big game, tensions continue to mount between Beartown and Hed with a series of escalating pranks, and by the time the game is over someone will be dead. Can the people in the community ever enjoy a hockey game again?



### **Leah on the Offbeat** By Becky Albertali

While this book might technically be aimed at teens, it's a delightful follow up for anyone who enjoyed Leah, Simon, and the rest of their friends either in the book or on the big screen. Leah feels like her life is always a little bit off balance. Feeling like the odd one out in her group of friends doesn't help, and neither does keeping her bisexuality a secret from them. With the end of High School looming and tensions among her friends causing unexpected problems, Leah uses her signature snark and wit to mask her uncertainty. Add to that a growing attraction to a girl in her group of friends, who might not even like Leah that way anyway, and it's no wonder Leah's feeling so off beat. Can Leah find her rhythm and face her crush?



### **Head On** By John Scalzi

This sequel to *Lock In* works just as well as a standalone – so if you haven't read it first don't let that stop you from checking out *Head On* (Or just check them both out, that's even better!) In the near future, people suffering from Halden's Syndrome (paralyzed, locked in their own bodies) can still compete in the world of professional sports by using "threeps" – robot-like bodies controlled remotely. The game of Hilketa is violent by nature, since it's the techno bodies being pummeled and not the people, but when a player actually dies on the field the FBI gets involved to determine if it was an accident or murder. A thrilling SF story, this book will also appeal to fans of gritty cop procedurals.



### **How Hard Can it Be?** By Allison Pearson

Seven years after the events of *I Don't Know How She Does It* we pick up Kate Reddy's story as she's approaching her 50th birthday. Kate's life seems to be going in every direction except the one she expected. Her husband has decided to quit working and take up bicycling and meditation instead. Since his hobbies don't involve earning a regular income, Kate has to face going back to work at a job where no one remembers her, while dealing with teenagers (and everything that comes with kids of that age). Her emotionally absent husband, and her impending birthday. The arrival of an old flame is a welcome distraction as Kate faces off against teen social media drama, Russian mobsters, menopause, and a quite literal stallion.



### **How to be Famous** By Caitlin Moran (Available in July)

Taking place in 1994, four years after Johanna was first introduced in *How to Build a Girl*, this hilarious and nostalgic novel picks up when she's 18 and (almost) living the dream life in London. Despite having her own flat and her job writing for her favorite music magazine, Johanna isn't happy. Her friend John has made it in the music world and now he's famous – and she's not. Hoping to win his heart through her writing, Johanna decides to pen a guide to being famous. Unfortunately, as her writing gains attention a past one-night stand publicly sex shames her and now she's famous for the wrong reasons. With the support of her friend Suzanne, Johanna must use all her wits navigating issues that are still all too relevant today.