



The Bookworm



THE BI-MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF THE MIDDLETON PUBLIC LIBRARY

FROM THE DIRECTOR'S DESK



Greetings Good Neighbors!

The Merriam-Webster Dictionary defines *library* as, "a place in which literary, musical, artistic, or reference materials (such as books, manuscripts, recordings, or films) are kept for use but not for sale." For hundreds of years libraries have been places built around these materials. However, with the turn of the 21st century and the dawning of technology, namely the internet, everything has changed. While physical materials are still very important, making space for people to connect through human-centered design experiences is a major priority for public libraries around the world, including right here in Middleton.

2019 will be an exciting year! The staff and library board are gearing up to implement a phased installation of updates and changes that

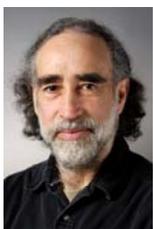
reflect three main priorities:

1. **Increase square footage available to the public.**
2. **Create flexible spaces for new ways of gathering.**
3. **Improve the customer service experience.**

Libraries are at the heart of what lifelong learning and "the pursuit of happiness" is all about. How does your library make your life and the lives of your neighbors more interesting, vibrant, and prosperous? What kinds of experiences would you like to see inside and outside of the library? Stay tuned for opportunities to share your ideas and be part of next reiteration of your public library in 2019!

-Jocelyne Sansing, Library Director

'SCHOLAR'D FOR LIFE' LECTURE SERIES CONTINUES IN 2019



Scholar'd for Life, our popular lecture series in partnership with UW-Madison's Speakers Bureau, returns on **Thursday, March 21st at 7pm**, with renowned folklorist Jim Leary presenting a lecture entitled "**Dreaming About Folksongs of Another America.**"

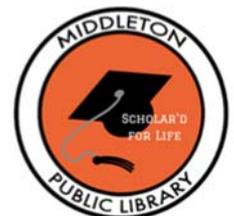
Professor Emeritus Leary will present a multimedia lecture on the vibrant yet largely neglected folk/ethnic/roots music of diverse peoples in Wisconsin and the Upper Midwest and what that tradition tells us about the American experience.

Join Leary for an evening enlivened by sounds and images from his recent Grammy-nominated

productions: ***Folksongs of Another America: Field Recordings from the Upper Midwest*** (2015) and ***Alpine Dreaming: The Helvetia Records Story, 1920-1924*** (2018).

Copies of his latest book, ***Folksongs of Another America: Field Recordings from the Upper Midwest, 1937-1946*** will be available for purchase and the evening will conclude with a book signing.

And check out the full schedule of lectures for 2019 at midlibrary.org/sfl



EVENTS FOR ADULTS IN JANUARY & FEBRUARY



Forward Theater presents *Play Club: Heisenberg* Tuesday, January 15th, 6:00 PM

Join us for another installment of Forward Theater's Play Club, an interactive discussion that's like a book club, but for plays! Staff from Forward Theater will lead the discussion and professional actors will act out scenes from the play. This time, we're discussing *Heisenberg*, Simon Stephens' carefully-crafted 2015 play about two strangers meeting by chance in a busy London train station. **Stop by the lower-level reference desk to pick up a copy of the graphic novel.** Coffee and refreshments will be provided.



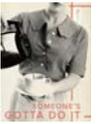
Matt Geiger Author Event: *Astonishing Tales* Thursday, January 24th, 7:00 PM

Join Matt Geiger, Managing Editor of the *Middleton Times-Tribune*, as he discusses and reads from his latest collection of humorous essays, *Astonishing Tales*. Copies of the book will be available for purchase at the event and the evening will conclude with a book signing.



Memory Screenings Thursday, February 7th, 1:00 – 4:00 PM

Study room C in the library's lower level
A memory screening is a wellness tool that helps identify possible changes in memory. It creates a baseline so future changes can be monitored. Specialists from the Aging & Disability Resource Center will provide these free 15-minute memory screenings and will have information about memory clinics, brain health, and local resources that are available. **Sign up by calling the library's reference desk at 608-827-7403.**



Someone's Gotta Do it: Monologues from Forward Theater Thursday, February 21st, 6:30 PM

Chances are, you've had one – more than one. They can be inspiring, terrifying, tedious, nauseating, and profound. Jobs put food on our tables, roofs over our heads, and (sometimes) anxiety in our hearts. The *Someone's Gotta Do It* monologues introduce you to characters telling their work stories: the exhilarating, the necessary, and the outlandishly absurd. Written exclusively for and performed as part of Forward Theater Company's *Someone's Gotta Do It* Monologue Festival.



Forward Theater presents: A dramatic reading of *Checkov's Uncle Vanya* Saturday, March 2nd, 2:00 PM

Join Forward Theater for a reading of Anton Chekhov's *Uncle Vanya*. In preparation for the upcoming Forward Theater production of *Life Sucks*, Aaron Posner's bold new re-working of *Vanya*, actors from Forward will perform a dramatic reading of the four-act play. Please note that this is a dramatic reading and not a fully-staged performance. And don't miss our 'Play Club' discussion of Aaron Posner's *Life Sucks* here at the library on **March 14th, at 6:30 PM!**

All of these events, except for the Memory Screenings, will be held in the Archer Room on the library's lower level. Registration is appreciated: Online at midlibrary.org/events or by email at info@midlibrary.org.

MoneySmart Middleton



Your Credit: How to Build It, Protect It and Repair It Wednesday, January 30th, 6:30 PM

Like it or not, your credit score is an essential element of your

financial life. Whether you want to borrow money, rent an apartment or open an account, you need to show your ability to pay your bills on time. A poor credit score can increase your monthly payments, which translates to a significant amount of money over the life of a loan. In this session, you will learn how to build, repair, and protect the most important element of your financial life, your credit score. Presented by UW-Whitewater Assistant Professors of Finance, Mohammad Jafarinejad and Bakhtear Talukdar.



Planning for Your Financial Future Wednesday, February 13th, 6:30 PM

Financial advisers provide a great service in helping people reach their financial goals. However, not all advisers are the same, and not all of them always have the client's best interest in mind. This presentation will provide participants with some knowledge on what to look for when selecting an adviser; some basic questions they can ask to ensure the adviser is adding value for them; some research-based evidence on how financial advisers perform; and some simple finance advice that could help some participants manage their own finances and/or save on advising fees. Presented by Dr. Arjan Premti, Assistant Professor of Finance at University of Wisconsin – Whitewater.



Getting to Know Medicare Tuesday, February 26th, 4:30 PM

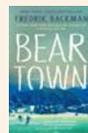
Whether you're new to Medicare or have had it for years, most people have questions. In this 90-minute class, we'll learn the details of Medicare, including the component parts A, B, C and D, as well as eligibility and enrollment information. There are always changes happening, so bring your questions and have them answered by licensed professionals. Presented by Jesse Grutz of the The Retirement Classroom.



Social Security & Retirement Income Tuesday, February 26th, 6:00 PM

Part two of a double-header presented by The Retirement Classroom, this class covers the various methods of filing for Social Security and discussed strategies that can be used to optimize it. We'll also introduce a process you can use to calculate your retirement income need, as well as examine options on structuring income in retirement. Strategies for Social Security and Retirement Income will help answer questions such as: How are my Social Security benefits calculated and taxed? How can I maximize my Social Security Income? And how do I calculate how much I need to retire?

Upcoming Book Discussions



Bear Town by Fredrik Backman
Thursday, January 17th, 10:00 AM
Library's Archer Room



Lincoln in the Bardo by George Saunders
Thursday, January 31st, 7:00 PM
Free House Pub, 1902 Parmenter St.



Janesville: An American Story
by Amy Goldstein
Thursday, February 21st, 10:00 AM
Library's Archer Room

All Library events are made possible by the generosity of the Friends of the Middleton Public Library. Learn more at www.midfriends.org



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January 2019

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

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TEEN EVENTS IN JANUARY & FEBRUARY



Who's in charge here?

Are you great at photography? Have an Instagram account? You could be chosen to take over the Library's Instagram account for a day! Entry slips for the **Teens Take Over Instagram** drawing are at the Help Desk of the Library. Look for **Teen Takeovers** on **Jan 11th and 25th!**

Did you know that teens also suggest and plan our teen events and recommend books, movies, music, and video games for the Library to purchase? **TAC (Teen Advisory Committee)** meets monthly (**Jan 14 and Feb 11, 4-5 pm**) and counts as volunteer hours--we'd love to hear your ideas!



Domestic Decadence

This is not your grandma's sewing club, though if she had a killer cupcake recipe that she'll let you borrow, you'll definitely have an advantage! On Jan. 17, learn how to make a simple phone case on our sewing machines or learn some knitting basics at our **In Stitches: Needlecraft** event. Do you have another needlecraft interest? Bring your project to show us! On Feb. 8, put your baking skills to the test for the **Cupcake Wars** challenge! A guest judge from the Chocolaterian Cafe will be judging for taste and appearance, with a \$25 prize!

Registration required. The Library is not responsible for any sickness or allergic reactions due to food consumed at this event as we are unable to monitor food prepared at home. In January, we will also have a **Gingerbread Who? Contest!** A number of book characters have been changed into gingerbread people—can you tell who is who to get them back to their story? Turn in your answers to the Help Desk!



Listen Up!

Do you listen to podcasts like **Welcome to Nightvale**? Whether you believe in the conspiracy theories or just enjoy general quirkiness, we'll sample some segments on **Feb. 6** and would love to hear what you think!

On **Saturday, Feb 16**, listen for the sounds of popcorn popping as the **Teen Movie Matinee** begins! Which new movie we watch on the big screen will depend on your vote—do you prefer a flick with a family of superheroes, a dystopian world where teens have special abilities, or one that has a lot of ABBA songs?

Do you love a challenge? On **Jan 26**, come hear about the **Book Raffle Game!** Teams will have a stash of books and a list of books with characteristics that they need to "buy" from the other teams. Try to negotiate your best deal! We hope to see you soon at the Library!

DROP-IN JOB HELP AT THE LIBRARY IN 2019

The library will once again partner with Dane County Job Center to offer free drop-in job help on the **fourth Tuesday of every month**, all year long. Drop by **between 1:30 and 4:00 PM** in study room B on the lower level for help with your job search, resumes & cover letters, interview practice, and more! First-come, first served.

Upcoming dates:

Tuesday, January 22nd, 1:30 – 4:00 PM

Tuesday, February 26th, 1:30 – 4:00 PM

Tuesday, March 26th, 1:30 – 4:00 PM



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TECHNOLOGY CLASSES IN JANUARY & FEBRUARY



Get to Know Libby

Monday January 7 at 7:00pm

Join us for step-by-step instructions on how to download free library eBooks and audio books

on your tablet. We'll show you how to download the NEW Libby app, search for books, and download them to your device. Users of Android and Apple tablets welcome; the app is not yet available for Kindle Fire.



Using You Tube

Tuesday February 5 at 7:00pm

YouTube is the most popular online video streaming service in the world. Come learn about channels, subscriptions, playlists, and uploading your own videos to YouTube.



3DSwitch Club - Program for All Ages / Everyone

Thursday February 7 at 6:30pm

Share Nintendo Switch games and tips/tricks! We're meeting in the Archer Rooms this evening to show a few things on the big screen.



Spotting Fake News Online

Tuesday January 29 at 7:00pm

Sometimes it's hard to tell the difference between news that's well researched and news that's false or misleading on the internet. In this presentation you'll learn techniques for evaluating the credibility of news stories online and learn the importance of getting information from multiple reliable sources

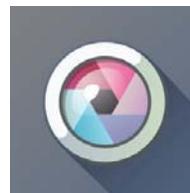


Photo Editing with Pixlr

Tuesday February 19 at 7:00pm

Join us as we learn to do basic editing of photos on this free website resource. Features on Pixlr Editor rival those of other photoshop software. Learn to change photo colors, edit blemishes, edit out objects, and more.

