

February 2023



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Online video learning courses that can be accessed anytime, anywhere with the use of your library card. Learn programming, marketing, business skills, personal hobbies, and more.

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Calligraphy Basics 7pm
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Matinee 1:30pm
A.T.L.A.S. 4:30pm

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Friends 1st Friday
Coffee 9:30am
Block Party 9:30am

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Brilliant Babies 9:30am
Preschool 10:30am

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Toddler Time
9:30am or 10:30am

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Akira Toki
7pm

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A.T.L.A.S. 4:30pm

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Model Trains 10am
Lego Club 10:30am
or 12:30pm
Crafternoon 2pm

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FOMPL Meeting 10am
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Preschool 10:30am
Memory Screenings
10am

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Toddler Time
9:30am or 10:30am
Crochet 6pm
Mary Ann Noe 6:30pm

Winter Reading Challenge: February 1 - February 28

Diversify your reading by trying 5 books, each in a different category. Complete the challenge and win a prize! This program is open to all ages and will take place virtually over Beanstack. For more information visit: www.cityofmuskego.org/beanstack

Library Hours
Mon. - Thurs. 9am - 8:30pm
Fri. - Sat. 9am - 5pm

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Adult Programs

Tax Forms and Tax Help

Looking for tax forms? During tax time, free federal and state tax forms are available across from the Circulation Desk. Other forms may be printed at the library for 10 cents per sheet. Ask us to print them or use a public library computer to print them yourself.

Need tax assistance? From February through mid-April, the friendly folks from AARP TaxAide will be back at the Muskego Public Library on Tuesdays to do your simple tax returns for free. Call the Library at (262) 971-2100 to set up an appointment.

Calligraphy Basics

Wednesday February 1 at 7pm on Zoom

In this virtual workshop for beginners, we will learn the basic principles of calligraphy using a writing instrument that everyone has at home. Grab a pencil, ruler, and some smooth paper, and get ready to learn the ups and downs of beautiful letters, even if you have terrible handwriting! To register visit

www.cityofmuskego.org/libraryregistrations

Winter Speaker Series - A Series of Presentations by the Wisconsin Veterans Museum: Akira Toki and the Purple Heart Battalion

Wednesday February 8 at 7pm

Even as the US government was forcing Japanese-Americans into internment camps, more than 20,000 young men of Japanese descent volunteered for service in World War II. A presentation by Russ Horton.

Nerf Wars

Saturday February 18 from 5:00-8:00 PM

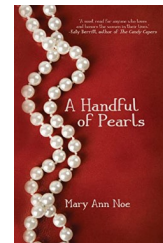
Open to anyone ages 18 and older; bring your own stock performance (100 Feet Per Second or lower) blaster and eye protection, we'll provide the ammo plus snacks! Representatives from Milwaukee Area Nerf Outings (M.A.N.O.) will lead us through classic games like capture the flag, and introduce us to some of their own. No previous experience is necessary to participate in this fun and friendly event, but registration is required. For more information or to sign up contact the Library at 262-971-2100.

Book Talk With Local Author: Mary Ann Noe

Tuesday February 28, 6:30pm

Spanning three generations, *A Handful of Pearls* is the story of love and family, loss and hope. Betty, an 84-year-old mother and wife, is finally forced into facing a flaw she dealt with her entire life: her inability to communicate. Watching her daughter Reggie fight with issues of her own, Betty comes face to face with the necessity of revealing the pearls and daggers of her own life in hopes of helping her daughter. Because she cannot bear to speak of the cracks in her heart, Betty writes a journal chronicling everything she protected.

Mary Ann is a natural storyteller, who has been writing since she could pick up a pencil. Her first novel, *To Know Her*, was inspired by the high school students who she taught English and psychology to for decades at Catholic Memorial High School.



CRAFTERNOON: Crafts for Adults!

Saturday February 11 OR

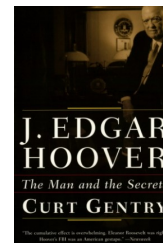
Monday February 13, 2pm

Tap into your creative juices by trying your hand at a make and take craft! Learn to make something new at every meeting. Sign up at the Reference Desk.

American Leaders Book Club

Thursday February 23, 2pm

This month's book is Curt Gentry's *J. Edgar Hoover: the Man and the Secrets*. Books are available for checkout at the front desk.



Memory Screenings

Monday February 27, 10:00am-3:00pm

A memory screen is a wellness tool that helps identify possible changes in memory and cognition. It creates a baseline of where a person is at so that future changes can be monitored. Participants will have the opportunity to talk with a Dementia Care Specialist about available resources and learn about brain health and ways to stimulate your brain. Registration is required, to make your free 30-minute appointment contact Jennifer at the ADRC at 262-548-7848.

Friends of the Muskego Public Library

HAVE ARTWORK TO DONATE?

The Friends of the Muskego Public Library will be accepting donations of gently used art. Please bring your art to the Reference Desk now through February 10.

1st Friday Coffee

Friday February 3, 9:30am

Join the Friends of the Library on the first Friday every month for coffee and conversation. All are welcome!

Friends of the Library Board Meeting

Monday February 10, 10am

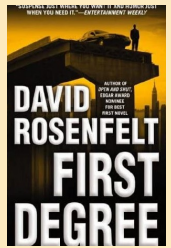
The Friends board meetings take place on the 2nd Monday of the month. Stop and see what the Friends are planning. Meetings are open to the general public.

Page Turners Mystery

Book Club

Tuesday February 14, 1pm

This month's book is David Rosenfelt's *First Degree*. Books are available for checkout at the Checkout Desk.

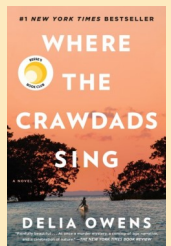


Between the Covers

Book Club

Thursday February 16, 1pm

This month's book is Delia Owens's *Where the Crawdads Sing*. Books are available for checkout at the Checkout Desk.



Muskego Matinees

Thursdays February 2 & 16, 1:30pm

February 2: *Ticket to Paradise*, (PG-13).

A pair of long-divorced parents find themselves rekindling old feelings when they fly to Indonesia to derail their daughter's impulsive plan to marry a local.

February 16: *Till*, (PG-13).

The true story of Mamie Till-Mobley's relentless pursuit of justice for her 14 year-old son, Emmett Till, who was brutally lynched in Mississippi in 1955.

COMING IN MARCH

The Gaelic Harper

Wednesday March 29, 6:30pm

In honor of the Irish in all of us, the Muskego Library is delighted to present Jeff Pockat, Gaelic harpist and storyteller. Jeff Pockat is a self-taught Celtic harp (Gaelic harp) musician and composer. The music is performed on the Ancient Wire Strung Celtic Harp. These are traditional and original pieces that soothe the mind, soul, body, and spirit. Various historic names are associated with this instrument: Gaelic harp, Celtic harp, clarsach, clairseach, cruit, Harp, Arpa, Harfe, folk harp. No matter what you call the instrument, the music Jeff elicits from it is heart-felt, soothing and makes you want to get up and dance, all at the same time. For a taste, go to www.jeffpockat.com, and then come to the library for the full experience

Teen Programs

Meta Quest 2 VR Sessions

Thursday February 23, 6:30pm - 8pm

Saturday February 25, 10:30am - 12pm

Thanks to a grant, the Library now has VR technology for staff and teens to explore! Drop on by, learn about it, and give the technology a try.

***Sessions are available for teens, ages 13 - 18**

Kisses at the Library

February 1 - 28

Love is in the air and Hershey kisses are hiding in the library. Find one every day you visit the library and bring it to the Reference Desk for a piece of candy.



Kids' Programs

Brilliant Babies

Mondays February 6 - 27, 9:30am

Books, songs, and playful movement make this short, sweet storytime ideal for babies. Developed for babies, up to age 2.

Preschool Power

Mondays February 6 - 27, 10:30am

An interactive storytime for preschool-aged children that focuses on building school readiness skills in a fun, engaging way! Designed for children ages 3, 4, & 5.

Toddler Time

Tuesdays February 7 - 28

9:30am OR 10:30am

Each week, we'll read, talk, sing, write, and play to help your toddler learn and grow! Developed for ages 2 & 3.

Block Party

Friday, February 3, 9:30am - 11:30am

Play is the work of children! Join us for blocks, developmentally appropriate toys, and creative social play. All ages are welcome.

A.T.L.A.S.

Thursdays February 2 - 23, 4:30pm - 5:30pm

Grades K - 6

If you love games, science, and crafts then A.T.L.A.S. (At the Library After School) is right for you! This month's theme is DIY!

Rock the Block Lego Club*

Saturday February 11, 10:30am OR 12:30pm

Build creativity and STEAM skills with LEGO free play. Take on a thematic building challenge or your imagination to engineer your own unique creation. LEGOS will be provided and themes will be suggested. Registration is required. Stop by the reference desk, call, or email muskeglibrarian@gmail.com to sign up.



Magician Nickey Fynn

Monday February 20, 2pm

He's so good, he made your school day disappear—but that's not his only trick! Nickey mixes comedy, magic, and storytelling, keeping everyone entertained with his mind-blowing tricks. No registration is required for this fun, free no-school day event!

Heart Scramble

Find 7 hearts around the Kids Area to reveal a secret word. Return your completed sheet to the Reference Desk for a prize all month long.

Love Trains? Love the Library

Love Model Trains? Love Your Library!

Saturday, February 11, 10am-4pm

Come see an interactive model train display hosted by the Milwaukee Lionel Railroad Club. Train fans of all ages will enjoy playing with and looking at this wonderful display and chat with the knowledgeable train aficionados from the Club.



While here, shake off the winter chill and support the Friends of the Library. A bake sale will offer Valentine treats, and there will also be a "gently used" art sale, a book sale, and a DVD sale. Can't make the date? Stop in the library anytime mid-January through February and buy a heart to hang in the library showing your support. All proceeds help fund Library Programs for all ages.

