



News & Events at the Brookings Public Library

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From My Side of the Desk - Ashia Gustafson, Director

September is here! I have been in the position of Library Director for six months now! In some ways it doesn't seem possible it has been six months already, and in other, positive, ways it feels like I've been in this position for much longer. Brookings Public Library is definitely a good fit for me, and I hope to continue to get to know everyone better as I settle into this wonderful community!

We had a wonderful summer reading program this year. We had 1568 kids from birth to age 18 sign up for the summer reading program. We were kept busy with the many fantastic programs happening throughout the summer. We are now looking ahead to all of our fabulous fall programs.

For kids, storytimes are back! Be sure to sign your kids up for Baby Bounce Storytime and Music Makers. Baby Bounce Storytime on Mondays at 10 a.m. is stories and music for those two and under. Music Makers is on Tuesdays at 10 a.m. and 11 a.m. as well as on Wednesdays at 2:30 p.m. Music Makers is for children up to age 5. Family science night is also back with a great slate of science experiments & science education for the kids on the last Tuesday of the month.

Ali has great teen programs for this fall as well. Check out the Pizza and Pages Book Club, Puppetry Club, and Anime Club.

We haven't forgotten the adults! Book clubs, craft nights and historical reenactors are just a few of the things com-

ing this fall for our adult patrons. As always there is something for everyone at the library!

Ashia's Book Recommendation:
A Madness so Discreet, by Mindy McGinnis. Grace Mae knows madness. Voiceless and banished to the cellars of a Boston insane asylum, Grace is discovered by a visiting doctor who dabbles in the new study of criminal psychology. With her keen eyes and sharp memory Grace will make an excellent assistant.



Escaping from Boston to the safety of an ethical Ohio asylum, Grace finds friendship and hope, hints of a life she should have had. But gruesome nights bring Grace and the doctor into the circle of a killer who stalks young women. Grace, continuing to operate under the cloak of madness, must hunt a murderer while she confronts the demons in her own past.

Jean Baptisté Charbonneau - Son of Sacagawea



On September 8th, at 7 pm in the Library Cooper Room, Darrel Draper will recreate Jean Baptisté Charbonneau in a dramatic costumed portrayal.

Jean Baptisté Charbonneau was born next to the encampment called Fort Mandan of the Lewis & Clark Expedition on February 11, 1805. His mother was Sacagawea and father Toussaint Charbonneau, a French-Canadian fur

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September Calendar



Adult Book Bingo

The adult summer reading program ended on August 22 with the final drawing for the Kindle Fire.

Our first Kindle winner was Christina Werkmeister.

The second winner of a Kindle Fire was Linda Svec.

Watch for our spring adult reading program that will start after the first of the year.



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trapper, were members of the Lewis & Clark Expedition.



The fact that a woman and a small child were traveling with the Corps of Discovery was proof to any tribes they encountered that this was a peaceful migration of people because war parties never traveled with women and children along.

In 1806 the Corps of Discovery returned to Fort Mandan on their way to St. Louis. They paid Charbonneau \$500 and promised him 320 acres of land. They paid Sacagawea nothing, but Clark offered to provide Jean Baptiste a formal education under his guardianship in St. Louis. In 1811 Jean Baptiste was delivered to Clark for that education. That education led to an unbelievably exciting life.

Come learn more about the amazing life of Jean Baptiste Charbonneau as portrayed by Darrel Draper, a nationally celebrated speaker who thrills audiences from coast to coast. Don't miss this show!

This program is made possible by a grant from the South Dakota Humanities Council.

Adult Craft Nights

Adult craft night is held on the **fourth Tuesday** of the month at **6:30 pm** in the upstairs Cooper Room. It is free and open to any adults who want to participate. This fall's crafts and dates are as follows:

Tues., Sept. 27 Coloring

Come enjoy an evening of coloring. Coloring pages, colored pencils and gel pens supplied.

Tues., Oct. 25 Paper Embroidery

We will be learning a Christmas pattern in paper embroidery this evening. *Registration required* so that supplies can be ordered.

Tues., Nov. 22 Polish Stars

These beautiful paper balls are a combination of paper, glue, 2 beads and string. *Register* for this class now and have some ready for the holiday season.



TechBoomers™

Learn how to use popular websites for free



SD Share-it

A class on TechBoomers and South Dakota Share-it will be offered on **Monday, September 19 at 7 pm**. This class will walk you through accessing tutorials on many popular websites through TechBoomers. This free dynamic website is constantly adding new courses and will help you navigate the internet and chat, tweet, message, skype and learn from popular websites.

South Dakota Share-it is the new software through which interlibrary loan is accessed statewide. Knowing how it works will enable you to submit your requests from home or in the library. It will let you see what other libraries have in their collections across the state.

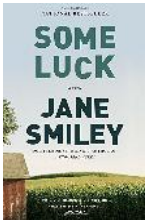
Register now for a spot in this class. Laptops and tablets welcome.

BOOK CLUBS



Library Book Club

This book club meets on the **second Tuesday of the month at 6:30 pm**. It is free and open to anyone who wants to participate or listen in. This fall we will be reading and discussing the following books:



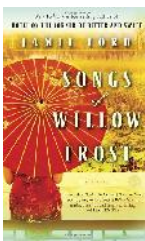
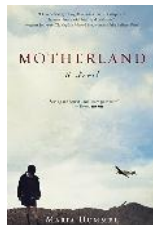
Tue., Sept. 13 @ 6:30 pm
Some Luck by Jane Smiley
1920, Denby, Iowa: Rosanna and Walter Langdon have just welcomed their firstborn son, Frank, to their family farm. He will be the oldest of five.

Each chapter in this extraordinary novel covers a single year, encompassing the sweep of history as the Langdons abide by time-honored values and pass them on to their children.

Tue., Oct. 11 @ 6:30 pm
Motherland

by Maria Hummel

Motherland is inspired by stories from the author's father and his German childhood, and letters between her grandparents that were hidden in an attic wall for fifty years. It is the author's attempt to reckon with the paradox of her father—a product of her grandparents' fiercely protective love and their status as Mitläufer, Germans who “went along” with Nazism, first reaping the benefits and later its consequences.

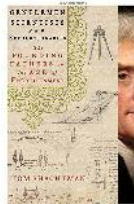


Tue., Nov. 8 @ 6:30 pm
Songs of Willow Frost
by Jamie Ford

Set against the backdrop of Depression-era Seattle, this book is a powerful tale of two souls—a boy with dreams for his future and a woman escaping her haunted past—both seeking love, hope, and forgiveness.

Non Fiction Book Club

This book group meets on the **fourth Monday of the month at 7 pm** and welcomes anyone who wishes to participate. This fall we're reading the following books:



Mon., Sept. 26 at 7 pm
Gentlemen Scientists & Revolutionaries

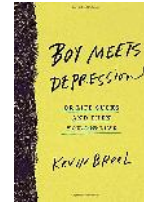
by Tom Shachtman

A fresh exploration of the scientific pursuits of the founding fathers that reveals their science as critical to the great political “experiment” of the day.

Mon., Oct. 24 at 7 pm
Boy Meets Depression

by Kevin Breel

Through the lens of his own near suicide, he shared his profoundly vulnerable story of being young, male and depressed in a culture that has no place for that. Now, in his first ever book, Kevin Breel dives into the deep and dark parts of his childhood.



Mon., Nov. 28 at 7 pm
The Civil Wars of Julia Ward Howe

by Elaine Showalter

The first biography to reveal Julia Ward Howe—the author of *The Battle Hymn of the Republic*—as a feminist pioneer who fought her own battle for creative freedom and independence.



Join us in discussing these books.
Everyone is welcome at any time.

Booked For Murder 2016



This informal group of mystery lovers meets at **noon on the first Monday** of each month to discuss the works of various authors.

Feel free to join us for any or all of these discussions.

The line-up:

September 12 -
Edgar Award Winners

October 3 -
Rhys Bowen

November 7 -
Sarah Graves

December 5 -
Next Year's Plans



If you require assistance, alternative formats, and/or accessible locations consistent with the Americans with Disabilities Act, please contact Shari Thornes, City ADA Coordinator, at 692-6281 at least 3 working days prior to any meeting held at the Library.



15th Annual Scary Story Contest

This writing contest is for people of all ages with the following categories - Grades K-1, Grades 2-3, Grades 4-5, Grades 6-8, Grades 9-12, adults.

Here are a few of the specifics:

Entries can be no longer than 1000 words

Entries are due **Sunday October 9, 2016 by 5 pm** at the Circulation desk of the Library.

The Awards Event will be on **Fri., Oct. 28th at 7 pm.**

For a full list of the rules pick up a sheet at the front desk of the library.



South Dakota Festival of Books



**September 23-25
Brookings SD**

For the first time the Festival of Books is being held in Brookings. This free premier literary event will give people a chance to meet more than 60 authors, visit exhibits featuring authors and publishers and attend any of 100 plus sessions to become a better writer and expand your love of reading.

Festival events are free, open to the public and suitable for all ages. Most of the events will take place in the Brookings downtown area including the Brookings Public Library, Brookings Activity Center, Old Sanctuary, Old Market, South Dakota Children's Museum, Brookings Arts Council, Brookings City County Building, the Fifth Street Gym and Carrot Seed.

Young Readers Festival Events September 21-23



The Wednesday and Thursday events will be held in Sioux Falls with Friday events taking place in Brookings at the Children's Museum of South Dakota. Visit the South Dakota Humanities website for details of the programs and the festival brochure.

Friends of the Library Annual Fall Book Sale October 13-16 during library hours

The Friends of the Library members only event is Wednesday, October 12 from 6-8:30 pm. Memberships are available at the door.



Historical Storyteller, Pippa White



will present ***Far as the Eye Can See ...*** on **Tue., October 18 at 7 pm.** This presentation is a look at the prairie and its people: the early pioneers who crossed it, the later pioneers who settled it, the brave people of the Dust Bowl, and the Native American people who struggled to keep the prairie that once belonged only to them.



On the second floor of the library.

**9:30 am - 5:00 pm
Monday - Friday**

Serving hot and cold beverages, baked goods, soup and sandwiches.

Rediscover

The Humors of Donald E. Westlake

Humor is not a single-brand product. There are lots of different laughs. Once Donald E. Westlake became a force in crime literature, reviewers began applauding his “madcap” stories and “cockeyed” world view. And, yeah, that’s all there. But it’s limiting to think of Westlake as a one-trick wag. His books employ a spectrum of wit, and we as readers titter, yuk and chortle accordingly.

Westlake had a lot of arrows in his quiver. He was the master the Rube Goldberg plot. These stories tend to involve a scam, and as the scam expands and comes to include many different moving parts, contingencies and iffy characters, we turn the pages with a kind of giddy, giggling dread, fearful but eager to see just how this score will resolve itself.

Westlake was also an ace with witty descriptions. In his book *Kahawa*, he describes a portly fellow in a black raincoat as looking like, “a beach ball in mourning.” Even when Westlake was off his mark – and the dude wrote over a hundred books, so the occasional dud is forgivable – we’re guaranteed a chuckle or two just from moments like that.

Westlake also had a robust sense of the absurd. His famous “comic caper” series focuses on a hapless second-story hood named John Dortmunder. Dortmunder and his crew of heisters set out to steal all kinds of nutty things: a bone, booty at the bottom of a dam, two long-dead Native American corpses buried in Queens, and plenty else. And, inevi-

tably, the capers get complicated and nothing comes off right. But what is so engaging about Westlake’s brand of absurdism is his sense of desperation driving all illegal endeavors.

Westlake’s crooks aren’t driven by cupidity, so much as they are driven by a need to get by. And so, while obstacles are set before them (and we laugh) and they must overcome them to the best of their abilities (and we laugh again), what we are witnessing is the extreme anxiety that forces a workingman (albeit a crooked one) to behave so ridiculously.

While Westlake’s Dortmund novels and other humorous standalones (*Trust Me on This* is his comic masterpiece) are light and zany fun, with a slightly melancholic tincture, the cruel books he wrote under the name Richard Stark are funny for the extremity of their coldness. His character Parker, another full-time thief, has successfully excised any humanity that would interfere with the job. His singlemindedness, and the terse prose that explains his adventures, are funny only in that they

are so uncomfortably matter of fact. *Firebreak* begins like this: “When the phone rang, Parker was in the garage, killing a man.” But this matter-of-factness isn’t without

Westlake’s signature wit. A bit of dialog from *Butcher’s Moon* pretty well sums up the brutally clever sensibility of Westlake’s Stark:

“I’m only the messenger!”
“Now you’re the message,”
Parker told him and shot him.”

- Josh English
Library Assistant



Family History Research Help Session

The Brookings Area Genealogical Society is hosting a Family History Research Help Session on Sat., September 10 from 10 a.m. to noon in the second floor Historical Room of the Library. Anyone interested can come to the Library at this time for assistance.

For more information contact:

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Teen Scene



Animé Club

WATCH, TALK, CREATE. WIN. WATCH animé. TALK about manga and animé with friend. CREATE new art, manga, and cosplay. WIN great prizes! For teens in grades 7th - 12th.

Wednesdays @ 3-4:45 pm
Beginning September 21

Puppetry Club

Do you like to perform? Then join the Puppetry Club and perform the monthly show! For teens in 6th - 12th Grade.

Practice Tue., Sept. 20 @ 6:00 pm
Perform Thu., Sept. 22 @ 6:00 pm
(show @ 7:00 pm)

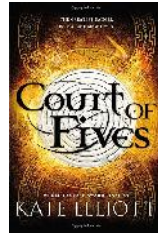
Practice Tue., Oct. 25 @ 6:00 pm
Perform Thu., Oct. 27 @ 6:00 pm
(show @ 7:00 pm)

Pizza & Pages Book Club

Pizza & Pages is a book discussion group for teens in 6th - 12th Grade. Participants will be provided with a copy of the book when you register. Pizza is provided. Meetings are on the following Thursdays from 7-8 pm. *Registration limited.*



September 15 @ 7 pm



Court of Fives by Kate Elliott

Jessamy's life is a balance between acting like an upper-class Patron and dreaming of the freedom of the Commoners. But away from her family she can be whoever she wants when she sneaks out to train for The Fives, an intricate, multilevel athletic competition that offers a chance for glory to the kingdom's best contenders. Then Jes meets Kalliarkos, and an unlikely friendship between two Fives competitors—one of mixed race and the other a Patron boy—causes heads to turn. When Kal's powerful, scheming uncle tears Jes's family apart, she'll have to test her new friend's loyalty and risk the vengeance of a royal clan to save her mother and sisters from certain death.



YARP 2016-2017 List

Each year the Young Adult Reading Program (YARP) Committee of the South Dakota Library Association publishes a list to promote quality literature and to help South Dakota teachers and librarians select and promote books for teens. Voting begins October 9, 2016 and ends April 1, 2017.

Middle School List

- *The Boys Who Challenged Hitler* – Phillip Hoose
- *Faceless* – Alyssa Sheinmel
- *Pretending to Be Erica* – Michelle Painchaud
- *A Night Divided* – Jennifer Nielsen
- *Silent Voice* vol. 1 – Yoshitoki Oima
- *Tunnel Vision* – Susan Adrian
- *We Are All Made of Molecules* – Susin Nielsen
- *Zane and the Hurricane* – Philbrick Rodman
- *Court of Fives* – Kate Elliot
- *Don't Even Think About It* – Sarah Mylnowski
- *Losers Take All* – David Klass
- *Jackaby* – William Ritter



High School List

- *Infinite in Between* – Carolyn Mackler
- *Nearly Gone* – Elle Cosimano
- *Nimona* – Noelle Stevenson
- *Everything, Everything* – Nicola Yoon
- *Six of Crows* – Leigh Bardugo
- *Until Friday Night* – Abbi Glines
- *The Wrath and the Dawn* – Renee Ahdieh
- *Laughing at My Nightmare* – Shane Burcaw
- *The Rig* – Joe Duce
- *Dumplin'* – Julie Murphy
- *Salt to the Sea* – Ruta Sepetys
- *Simon vs. the Homo Sapiens Agenda* – Becky Albertalli





Kid's Corner



Storytimes

Begins the week of **September 19**. They will feature books, songs, crafts paired with apps, video clips and more. These will be held on **Mondays at 11 am & 6:30 pm**



Baby Bounce Storytime

Begins the week of **September 19** and features songs, fingerplays and books for infants and toddlers up to 24 months. These are held on **Mondays at 10 am. Registration is required.** Call 692-9407 or stop in to register.



Music Makers

Rhythm and movement based program featuring a variety of musical genres, instruments, and more. Geared for children 5 and under. This is scheduled to begin the week of **September 19** with sessions offered on **Tuesdays at 10 & 11 am and Wednesdays at 2:45 pm. Registration is required and limited to 24 kids per session.** Call 692-9407 or stop in to register.



Family Science Night

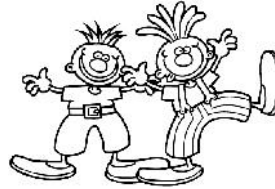
This evening event features a variety of hands-on activities for all ages and will begin in September and is held the last **Tuesday of each month from 6:30 - 8:30 pm** in the Children's Activity Room. The first one this fall will be on:

**Tue., September 27
6:30 - 8:30 pm**



The Bookings Library Puppeteers Present

Silly September



**Thu., September 22
at 7 pm in the
Cooper Room**

Everyone is invited to come enjoy the fun.



Library Day at Dairy Queen



**Tues., Sept. 20
5-8 pm**



Support the Library and enjoy a sweet treat. A portion of each sale will be donated to the library for children's services. This happens the 3rd Tuesday of each month.



September 2016 @ the Library



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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11	12 Noon - Booked for Murder	13 6:30 pm Library Book Club	14	15 7 pm Pizza & Pages	16	17 
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**Board Meetings are open to the public.