

April 2019

# From My Side of the Desk

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Spring is finally here! Spring is the time of changes and new things and we have lots of changes and new things at the library. We have a new website! If you have not stopped by our website lately, do! We are excited by this beautiful and fresh update of our website. We hope you all enjoy it as well. If you are looking for something and can't find it on the website, please let us know!

In the near future we will be taking out the parking lot book drop. The book drop has reached the end of its useful life and is no longer doing its job well. We will be designating a parking spot by the handicapped parking to be "5 Minute Parking" for patrons to quickly run up to the drops on the side of the building. Please be patient with us through this transition.

We have not had a coffee shop in the library for a year now as we were unable to find another proprietor to take over that space, so we will be taking out the coffee shop area on the second floor. We will be taking out the cabinets and working on a plan for how to utilize that space to its best potential. This will not happen quickly, but I wanted to give everyone a heads up on what was going to be happening with that space. On top of all of that news, we have a full month of great programs going on as well, including another great Escape Room!

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Nita's Recommendation: *The Light Brigade*, by Kameron Hurley

The Light Brigade: it's what soldiers fighting the war against Mars call the ones

who come back...different. Grunts in the corporate corps get busted down into light to travel to and from inter-planetary battlefronts. Everyone is changed by what the corps must do in order to break them down into light. Those who survive learn to stick to the mission brief—no matter what actually happens during combat.

Dietz, a fresh recruit in the infantry, begins to experience combat drops that don't sync up with the platoon's. And Dietz's bad drops tell a story of the war that's not at all what the corporate brass want the soldiers to think is going on. Is Dietz really experiencing the war differently, or is it combat madness? Trying to untangle memory from mission brief and survive with sanity intact, Dietz is ready to become a hero—or maybe a villain; in war it's hard to tell the difference. (goodreads.com)

# Adult Reading Program – Are you playing???

The adult reading program - a combination of Bingo and Scrabble - **ends this month on April 12.** One prize goes to the person who makes the longest word out of the letters they've read. The second prize goes to the person who has the highest points from the letters they've read and a third prize will be given to someone who completed at least one bingo, through a random drawing. Are you playing???



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# **April Movies**

Thursday, April 11 at 6:30 pm

**Operation Finale** 

A cinematic adaptation of how a group of Israeli secret agents arrested SS officer Adolf Eichmann, the man who masterminded the "Final Solution". He was tracked down in Buenos Aires, captured, and brought to Israel for trial in 1961. Rated PG-13 122 Minutes





#### Thursday, April 25 at 6:30 pm Searching

A father spirals down an unnerving internet rabbit hole to find his missing daughter in this laptop thriller. Their seemingly idyllic family life in San Jose unravels as he makes increasingly disturbing discoveries. Rated PG-13

101 Minutes



# Escape Room Returns!

The Dread Pirate Roberts has located Blackbeard's famed treasure, and put together a map detailing its location! You and a few fellow pirates have decided to steal the map to claim the treasure as your own, but the Dread Pirate Roberts isn't making it easy. He's split the map into pieces and hidden them throughout his cabin. Find the pieces and assemble them before he finds you, or you'll be walking the plank!

Can your group find the clues to solve the puzzles and escape the room in our latest escape room challenge? You'll have your chance April 29 – May 2! Registration is required. Participants must be 14 or older. Contact the Library to register your group on or after Wednesday, April 17.

# Adult Craft Classes

Adult craft classes are free and open to any adults who wish to participate. We have expanded the number of craft classes to 4 per month to help accommodate all who want to participate. Please note that each class is offered one afternoon and one evening. Registration is required. Please stop in or call 692-9407 to register.

This month's schedule is:

#### Bookmarks, Bookmarks, Bookmarks!! Thu., April 4 at 2:00 pm Mon., April 15 at 6:30 pm

This class be making several different bookmarks. Some out of paper, others with ribbon and thread and others with felt. Come add to your collection of bookmarks. Registration is required.

Geometric Box Tue., April 16 at 2 pm

Tue., April 23 at 6:30 pm

This fascinating box is just the right size to hold things on your desk, be a May basket, or it can be downsized to hold all those little things that easily get lost. Come try your hand at making these geometric boxes.

Registration is required.





Library Book Club - Meets the second Tuesday of the month and is open to anyone interested in attending.



#### Tue., April 9 at 6:30 pm

Winter Garden by Kristin Hannah

Mesmerizing from the first page to the last, Kristin Hannah's *Winter Garden* is one woman's sweeping, heartbreaking story of love, loss, and redemption. At once an epic love story set in World War II Russia and an intimate portrait of contemporary mothers and daughters poised at the crossroads of their

lives, it explores the heartbreak of war, the cost of survival and the ultimate triumph of the human spirit. It is a novel that will haunt the reader long after the last page is turned. (Amazon.com review)

# **Non-Fiction Book Club** - Meets on the fourth Monday of the month and welcomes everyone who is interested in attending.



#### Mon., April 22 at 7 pm

I Will Always Write Back: How One Letter Changed Two Lives by Martin Ganda & Caitlin Alifirenka

It started as an assignment. Everyone in Caitlin's class wrote to an unknown student somewhere in a distant place.

Martin was lucky to even receive a pen-pal letter. There were only ten letters, and fifty kids in his class. But he was the top student, so he got the first one.

That letter was the beginning of a correspondence that spanned six years and changed two lives.



**Booked for Murder** – Mystery Book Club discusses an author's body of work rather than a specific title. They meet at noon on the first Monday of the month.

April 1 - Robert Crais

- May 6 Julie Heaberlin
- June 3 Carola Dunn

July 2 - 5 or fewer

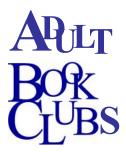
August 5 - Adrian McKinty

September 9 - Award Winner 2016-1018

October 7 - Terry Shames

November 4 - Jacqueline Winspear

December 2 - Planning 2020



Library book discussion groups are open to anyone who wants to attend. **Creative Writing Class** - The library will be offering a free five week writing course for adults beginning **Tuesday**, **April 16 at 6:30 pm**. You don't have to be a "writer" for this writing class—curiosity and a little creativity are enough to begin. We will work through the process together, borrowing techniques from short stories, poetry, and journalism to make our writing stronger.

If you want to bridge the gap between what you say and what you mean, then this class is for you.

Registration is required and limited to 12. Registration begins March 15. Must be 18 to register.

The class will run April 16 & 23, May 7, 14 & 21.





# Stellarium classes

Learn to visit a virtual planetarium from your computer! Dr. Judy Vondruska, faculty at SDSU, will lead you through how to use the free Stellarium software on the Library's computers in the computer lab. Registration is required.

Two classes will be held **Monday, April 15 at 6:30 pm and 7:30 pm** Registration is required and limited to 10. Must be 12 or older to participate.

# Coming in May:

"Gardening for Health and Wellness with Medicinal Plants" - May 6th at 7 pm

# "Growing Herbs in Containers - The New Family Garden" **May 14th at 7 pm**

These programs will be presented by Brookings Area Master Gardeners Emily Ravenscroft & Craig Pahl. In the first presentation Emily, an herbalist, will speak to the health benefits of herbs.

In the second presentation, they will explore some of the history of gardening in America, from the Victory Gardens of WW1 and WW2 to present day. They will share why container gardening has become the new family garden in the US. They will also share their favorite herbs to grow and what garden secrets they may have in planting and growing them.

These programs are being co-hosted by the Brookings Area Master Gardeners and the Library.



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**Democracy under the Microscope:** The library is hosting a series of five scholars - five books - five nights. A look into the value, history and trends in democracies. Each scholar will present the findings of one book and discuss the implications and meanings with the audience.

Presentations this month include:

Mon., April 1 at 7 pm Mac Harris will present The People vs. Democracy: Why Our Freedom is in Danger & How to Save It by Yascha Mounk

Mon., April 8 at 7 pm Dr. Nels Granholm will present On Tyranny: Twenty Lessons from the Twentieth Century by Timothy Snyder

Mon., April 29 at 7 pm Dr. John Miller will present Suicide of the West: How the Rebirth of Tribalism, Populism, Nationalism, & Identity Politics is Destroying American Democracy by Jonah Goldberg

For more information on this series pick up a leaflet at the front desk of the Library.

All presentations are free and open to the public.





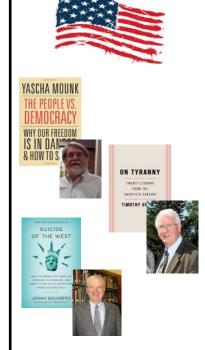
# Game Night: Friday April 12 at 6:30-9:30 pm at the Library

Join us for game night on Friday, April 12 from 6:30-9:30 pm at the Library. We'll have games available to choose from, or feel free to bring your own to play with a group. Check out our event on Facebook to RSVP and let us know you're coming!

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Teen Scene



# PIZZA & PAGES

A book discussion group for teens. Participants will be provided with a copy of the book to read before the discussion. For teens in grades 6th-12th. Registration is limited.

Thursday, April 25 at 7 pm

# ANIME CLUB

### WATCH. TALK. CREATE. WIN.

WATCH anime. TALK about manga and anime with friends. CREATE new art, manga, and cosplay. WIN great prizes!

For teens in grades 7th - 12th. This will begin again in June.

## PUPPETRY CLUB

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

Practice Tuesday, April 2	at 6:00 pm	
Perform Thursday, April 4	at 6:00 pm	(show at 7:00 pm)

# 15th Annual Illustrate–A-Book Contest Winners



### Category 1 – Grades K -2

- 1<sup>st</sup> Place Jackson Hestermann *Dogman vs Petey* Sioux Valley Elementary Mrs. Hesby - 1<sup>st</sup> Grade
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place Audrey Delaney Schultz Ladybug Girl and Bingo Medary Elementary Mrs. Larson - 1<sup>st</sup> Grade

3<sup>rd</sup> Place – Kate Gayne *Ever After High: The Unfairest of Them All* Dakota Prairie Elementary Miss Lamp - 1<sup>st</sup> Grade

#### Category 2 – Grades 3-5

- 1<sup>st</sup> Place Isabella Park *Island of the Blue Dolphins* Camelot Intermediate Ms. Gullickson - 5<sup>th</sup> Grade
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Place Alexis Erp *Molly Moon's Incredible Book of Hypnotism* Camelot Intermediate Mrs. Anderson - 4<sup>th</sup> Grade

3<sup>rd</sup> Place – Isabel Gundvaldson Black Beauty Camelot Intermediate Ms. Madsen - 4<sup>th</sup> Grade

HM – Addison Steinhoff *The Artistic Owl* Dakota Prairie Mrs. DeKraai - 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade

HM – Samantha Alfson Cats!!!! Camelot Intermediate Mrs. Anderson - 4<sup>th</sup> Grade

HM – Lily Jorgenson *The Cloud Castle* Camelot Intermediate Mrs. Stahl - 5<sup>th</sup> Grade

HM – Rowan Prigge Divergent Camelot Intermediate Mrs. Anderson - 4<sup>th</sup> Grade

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#### Category 3 – Grades 6-8

1<sup>st</sup> Place – Dinithi Senevirathna Saba – Under the Hyena's Foot Mickelson Middle School Mrs. Hendricks - 6<sup>th</sup> Grade

HM - Tiana Ferrell *Voices in the Ocean* Mickelson Middle School Mrs. Lacher-Starace - 8<sup>th</sup> Grade

#### Category 4 – Grades 9-12

1<sup>st</sup> Place – Aditya Tummala *The Little Prince* Brookings High School 9<sup>th</sup> Grade

Best in Show – Sanhita Tummala Dinosaurs Before Dark Dakota Prairie Ms. Rounds - 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade

On **Saturday, April 13 at 2 pm** a reception will be held for the winners of the Illustrate-A-Book Contest (IAB). Winners will be recognized at this time and presented with their awards.

## Baby Bounce Storytime / Storytime / Music Makers

These programs will start up again in the summer.

### Family Science Night

The final family science night of the school year will be held on **Tue., April 30** from 6:30 - 8:30 pm. It will feature hands-on activities for families to explore together and is held in the Children's Activity Room.





Tail Waggin' Tutors - Note Time Change !!! Registration is now open for our Tail Waggin' Tutors program! Limited spaces are available on Wednesday afternoons from **3:40 - 4:40 pm** for children to read to our tutor, Champ. This is a great way for kids to build confidence in reading by sharing a book with Champ. Call the Library at 692-9407 or stop in to register your child for this great program!

## 1000 Books Before Kindergarten

This free nationwide program challenges families and caregivers to share 1,000 books with their children before entering kindergarten. Ask in the Children's Department or at the circulation desk for your first 100 book tracking sheet.

# Kids' Corner

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	<b>1</b> Noon Booked for Murder	2 6 pm Puppet Club	3	<b>4</b> 2 pm Adult Craft Class	5	6
	7 pm Democracy Talk	Practice		7 pm Puppet Show		
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
	7 pm Democracy Talk	6:30 pm Library Book Club		5:30 pm Board Meeting 6:30 pm Movie Night	6:30 pm Game Night at the Library	2 pm IAB reception
14	<b>15</b> 6:30 pm Adult Craft Class 6:30 & 7:30 pm Stellarium Class	<b>16</b> 2 pm Adult Craft Class 6:30 Creative Writing	17	18	19	20
21 Library Closed for Easter	22 7 pm Non-Fiction Book Club	23 6:30 pm Adult Craft Class 6:30 Creative Writing	24	25 6:30 pm Movie Night 7 pm Pizza & Pages	25	27
28	29	30				
	7 pm Democracy Talk	6:30 pm Family Science Night				

\*\* Board Meetings are open to the public.



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