



# Marathon County Public Library NEWSLETTER

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## Back-to-School Resources ..... Dan Richter / Library Services

School is back in session, and with this comes all kinds of tests, projects and reports. What better place to gather research and study materials than your local library?



In addition to books on everything from anthropology to Zentangle, MCPL has study guides for tests like the GED, ACT and LSAT that can be checked out. MCPL also has online resources for study purposes, including access to Explora, Britannica, LearningExpress and multiple databases via EBSCOhost.

Need someone to administer a proctored exam? MCPL has got you covered there, too, with trained staff members on-hand to set up and oversee your testing. Study rooms accommodating one to 10 people can also be reserved for private and group study purposes.

For a full list of the educational resources available at the library, visit [www.mcpl.us/research](http://www.mcpl.us/research) or call 715-261-7230 for details.

## Book Clubs .... *New members are always welcome! Just read the book in advance and show up. For the complete schedule, visit [www.mcpl.us/book-clubs](http://www.mcpl.us/book-clubs).*

Walk 'n' Talk Book Club / Weekly on Thu., 1pm @ Hatley; Monthly on the second Fri., 9am @ Wausau — Read any book and share while we go for a walk!

“Labor Day” by Joyce Maynard / Thu., 9/8, 11:30am @ Edgar

“Last Bus to Wisdom” by Ivan Doig / Thu., 9/8, 6:30pm @ Athens

“Kitchens of the Great Midwest” / Mon., 9/12, 5:45pm @ Marathon City

“Mystic River” by Dennis Lehane / Tue., 9/13, 2pm @ Hatley

“Wingshooters” by Nina Revoyr / Thu., 9/15, 1:30pm @ Spencer

“Life of Pi” by Yann Martel / Mon., 9/19, 1pm @ Mosinee

“Cutting for Stone” by Abraham Verghese / Mon., 9/19, 1pm @ Stratford

Women’s Night: “The Girl on the Train” / Mon., 9/19, 6:30pm @ Wausau

“Wingshooters” by Nina Revoyr / Mon., 9/19, 6:30pm @ Spencer

“Dead Wake” by Erik Larson / Wed., 9/28, 11am @ Rothschild

## Director’s Report ..... Ralph Illick / Library Director

We have so much going on at the Marathon County Public Library!

We recently have learned that the third floor of the main library will not meet the code restrictions to allow for the Children’s Museum of Marathon County to reside there. A comprehensive engineering study confirmed that the amount of renovation required for the floor to meet codes for a museum would be exorbitant and unrealistic. This is most unfortunate, as we see a tremendous opportunity for partnering with the children’s museum to bring STEM programming to all the county’s residents. The children’s museum group will continue to seek a viable location for their project, and we will continue to support those efforts. We look forward to working together to bring this much-needed resource to our community.



The library’s planning and visioning for the future continues, however, with renovations to begin soon. We will be adding a large meeting room to the second floor and a new Friends book sale room in the old bookmobile garage. These two projects will improve access for everyone, and will also allow us to vacate the third floor in hopes of finding a viable use for it. It is my hope that we can identify an education-based community partner to share that space. The renovations are scheduled to begin soon, and we hope to complete them before the new year.

Please visit the library to see what’s new. Thank you for your support!

Classic Lit.: Short Stories of William Faulkner / Wed., 9/28, 12pm @ Wausau

“The Lake House” by Kate Morton / Mon., 10/10, 5:45pm @ Marathon City

“Heaven’s Keep” by William Kent Krueger / Tue., 10/11, 2pm @ Hatley

“The Light Between Oceans” / Thu., 10/13, 11:30am @ Edgar

“Go Set a Watchman” by Harper Lee / Thu., 10/13, 6:30pm @ Athens

“Frankenstein” by Mary Shelley / Mon., 10/17, 1pm @ Mosinee

“The Wright Brothers” by David McCullough / Mon., 10/17, 1pm @ Stratford

Women’s Night: “The Same Sky” / Mon., 9/19, 6:30pm @ Wausau

“The Girl on the Train” by Paula Hawkins / Wed., 10/26, 11am @ Rothschild

Classic Lit.: “Down and Out in Paris and London” / Wed., 10/26, 12pm @ Wausau

“A Place in the Country” by Elizabeth Adler / Tue., 11/8, 2pm @ Hatley

“Before I Go to Sleep” by S. J. Watson / Thu., 11/10, 11:30am @ Edgar

