

The Monticello Public Library News

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Yay for New Computers!

Woohoo! The Library now has new patron and staff computers! We are SO excited for the updated programs and speedier processing! Be sure to check out the new desktop and laptops for patrons to use. They are definitely a big improvement.

If you purchased a snowflake ornament during the month of December for our gift giving tree, then you helped fund our new computers! So a big thank you goes out to everyone who did purchase an ornament! If you haven't stopped in to pick yours up yet, please do so soon.

Local Author Visit

Alexys Strahm, a 16 year old high school student from New Glarus, will be visiting us on Monday January 8th at 6:30pm. She has had her very first novel, *A Segregated Romance*, published! Come listen to what she has to say about it!

Until then, read this: "*He said, 'Love is colorblind.'*" *Three words which changed her life forever. Carolina was a girl who never out stepped her boundaries, or spoke more than when needed. She stayed out of trouble. Until the day she caught Lewis Montgomery's eyes. Lewis ran with the right crowd, always had a girl on his arm, and knew*

how to charm anyone. He stayed quiet on political issues, even when he didn't agree with them. He wasn't a hero, but he also wasn't a villain. His life, his views, and what he wanted to be changed when he found a certain mixed girl hiding in a tree."

January Display Case

Former Monroe Librarian, Lisa Cihlar, has been kind enough to lend us her beautiful paperweight collection and musical snowman collection. She has some really unique and definitely pretty paperweights. They will be in our display case for the whole month of January, so be sure to come take a peek at them.

Book Club

The evening Book Club will next meet on Wednesday January 17th at 7:30pm to discuss *Casual Vacancy* by J.K. Rowling. Jenn Chladil will be leading the discussion. Here's a snippet about the book: "*When Barry Fairbrother dies in his early forties, the town of Pagford is left in shock and the empty seat left by Barry on the parish council soon becomes the catalyst for the biggest war the town has yet seen."*

Between the Covers Book Club

Carolyn's morning Book Club will next meet on Friday January 26th at 10:00am to discuss *American Dervish* by Ayad Akhtar.

"American Dervish is a brilliantly written, nuanced, and emotionally forceful look inside the interplay of religion and modern life. Ayad Akhtar was raised in the Midwest himself, and through Hayat Shah he shows readers vividly the powerful forces at work on young men and women growing up Muslim in America. This is an intimate, personal first novel that will stay with readers long after they turn the last page."

Kids Movie Day

On Thursday January 18th at 4:00pm, we will be showing *My Little Pony: The Movie!*

"When a dark force threatens Ponyville, the Mane 6 go on a journey beyond Equestria to save their beloved home and they meet new friends and exciting challenges along the way." Snacks will be provided!

Story Time with Zoe

Story Time will continue to meet every Tuesday morning at 10:00. Join us for songs, stories, music and movement and a fun art project. New friends are always welcome!

Some of our upcoming themes are: Snowmen, Penguins and Polar Bears.

Sharing Isn't Always Caring! Keep Your Germs to Yourself!

It's that lovely time of the year where there seem to be a lot of colds and flus going around again. The Library Staff would sure appreciate it if you utilized our hand soap, hand sanitizer and Kleenex when visiting us, especially if you're going to be using a computer. We will also have cough drops available for patrons and you can always make yourself a cup of tea or coffee for just \$1.

Winter Weather Closings

The Library will always try to maintain normal hours as much as possible during the Winter but sometimes that nasty weather forces us to close.

Closures will be announced on the WEKZ radio station as well as on Facebook as soon as the decision is made.

Story Time will be cancelled whenever the Monticello Public Schools decided to close due to the weather.

Any Library materials normally due on an emergency closing day will not be charged fines, but we do suggest that you call

and leave a message asking for your items to be renewed, if necessary.

New DVDs:

Some of our most recent titles are:

Detroit; Fuller House: Season 2; Home Again; Kingsman: The Golden Circle; Doc Martin: Series 8; Detectorists: Series 1 & 2; Delicious: Series 1; The Lego Ninjago Movie; Striking Out: Series 1; Loch Ness: Series 1; Blood Money; Stronger; Mother!; Victoria & Abdul; Flatliners; Killing Gunther; Manhunt: Unabomber; The Mountain Between Us; 6 Below: Miracle on the Mountain; The Eagle Huntress; The Meddler; Battle of the Sexes; American Made, Brad's Status.

New Adult Books:

Artemis by Andy Weir; Book Club Babies by Ashton Lee; Educating Esme by Esme Raji; A Gate at the Stairs by Lorrie Moore; The Inheritance of Loss by Kiran Desai; Radioactive: Marie & Pierre Curie by Lauren Redniss; We Are Not Ourselves by Matthew Thomas; What You Must Know About Memory Loss & How You Can Stop It by Pamela Wartian Smith; The People VS Alex Cross by James Patterson; Robert's Rules for Dummies by C. Alan Jennings; Sing, Unburied, Sing by Jesmyn Ward; Promise Me, Dad by Joe Biden; Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised by Henry M. Robert III; Robert's Rules of Order in Action by Randi Mineor; The Dying Detective by Leif GW Persson;

Everything You Want Me To Be by Mindy Mejia; New York Walks; New York City 2018 Eyewitness Travel; Frommer's Easy Guide to New York City 2017; Obama: An Intimate Portrait by Pete Souza; The Wanted by Robert Crais.

New Large Print Books:

Hardcore Twenty-Four by Janet Evonovich; Past Perfect by Danielle Steel; Many a Twist by Sheila Connolly; You're Gonna Love Me by Robin Lee Hatcher; The Ladies of Ivy Cottage by Julie Klassen; The Noel Diary by Richard Paul Evans.

New Juvenile Books:

Winter Dance by Marion Dane Bauer; Pick a Pine Tree by Patricia Toht; Reindeer Dance by Christianne Jones; Penguins Love Colors and Penguins Love Their ABCs by Sarah Aspinall; A Segregated Romance by Alexys Strahm.

New CDs:

Songs of Experience by U2; The Visitor by Neil Young; The Good Parts by Andy Grammar; Revival by Eminem; Everybody by Logic; Woodstock by Portugal the Man.