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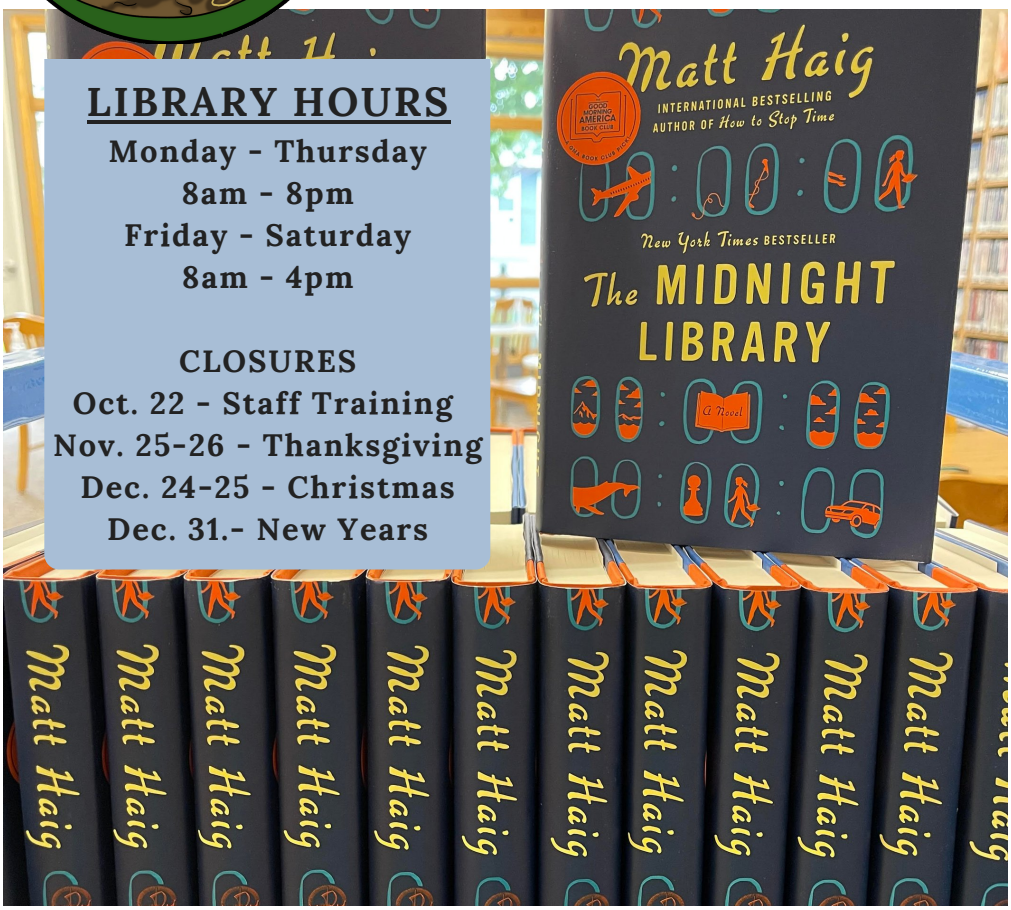
BEYOND BOOKS

OPPORTUNITY, COMMUNITY, LITERACY



LIBRARY HOURS

Monday - Thursday
8am - 8pm
Friday - Saturday
8am - 4pm

CLOSURES
Oct. 22 - Staff Training
Nov. 25-26 - Thanksgiving
Dec. 24-25 - Christmas
Dec. 31.- New Years

ONE BOOK, ONE COMMUNITY ...

Spooner Memorial Library was awarded the Libraries Transforming Communities: Focus on Small and Rural Libraries Grant and awarded $3,000 to host a community conversation. With those funds, the library has purchased 224 copies of the book, "Midnight Library" by Matt Haig. and will be hosting a One Book, One Community event on Thursday, October 28th from 6:00-7:45 p.m. via Zoom. The hope that this is only one of many community conversations that will allow the community to come together. This coming winter and spring the library plans to host community conversations on the topics of mental health, suicide, addiction and recovery, and compassion resilience with organizations and individuals in Washburn County who have expertise in these areas. There is power in the shared experience of reading the same book and Midnight Library is a very popular book with an important message. Books are available at the library for free. You can sign up for the event at the library or at spoonerlibrary.org/events.

Calendar

Oct. 5th - Ukulele lessons - 4:00-5:00 p.m.
Oct. 6th - Story Hour - 10:00-11:00 a.m.
Oct. 11th - LEGO Club - 6:00-7:00 p.m.
Oct. 12th - Ukulele lessons - 4:00-5:00 p.m.
Oct. 13th - Story Hour - 10:00-11:00 a.m.
Oct. 16th - Pumpkin Carving Contest, 10-12
Oct. 16th - Scarecrow Contest, 10-12
Oct. 19th - Mischief Makers 6:00-7:30 p.m.
Oct. 20th - Story Hour - 10:00-11:00 a.m.
Oct. 26th - Savvy Seniors Book Club, 11-12
Oct. 27th - Story Hour - 10:00-11:00 a.m.
Oct. 27th - Books & Bread, 10:30-11:30 am
Oct. 27th - Books & Bread, 12:00-1:00 p.m.
Oct. 28th - One Book, One Community, 6pm
Nov. 1st - Community Word Cloud starts
Nov. 2nd - Homeschool Hacks 1:00-2:00 pm
Nov. 3rd - Story Hour - 10:00-11:00 a.m.
Nov. 5th - Winter Reading Challenges start
Nov. 8th - LEGO Club - 6:00-7:00 p.m.
Nov. 9th - Stuffed Animal Sleepover - 6-7
Nov. 10th - Story Hour - 10:00-11:00 a.m.
Nov. 16th - Mischief Makers 6:00-7:30 p.m.
Nov. 17th - Story Hour - 10:00-11:00 a.m.
Nov. 23rd - Savvy Seniors Book Club, 11-12
Nov. 24th - Story Hour - 10:00-11:00 a.m.
Nov. 24th - Books & Bread - 10:30-11:30 a.m.
Nov. 24th - Books & Bread - 12:00-1:00 p.m.
Nov. 30th - Stuffed Animal Sleepover, 6-7
Dec. 1st - Winter Blackout Bingo starts
Dec. 1st - Story Hour - 10:00-11:00 a.m.
Dec. 7th - Homeschool Hacks 1:00-2:00 p.m.
Dec. 8th - Story Hour - 10:00-11:00 a.m.
Dec. 9th-11th - Homeschool Art Show
Dec. 13th - LEGO Club - 6:00-7:00 p.m.
Dec. 14th - Mischief Makers 6:00-7:30 p.m.
Dec. 15th - Story Hour - 10:00-11:00 a.m.
Dec. 21st - Savvy Seniors Book Club, 11-12
Dec. 22nd - Story Hour - 10:00-11:00 a.m.
Dec. 22nd - Books & Bread - 10:30-11:30a.m.
Dec. 22nd - Books & Bread - 12:00-1:00 p.m.
Dec. 29th - Story Hour - 10:00-11:00 a.m.

FAREWELL SUMMER READS

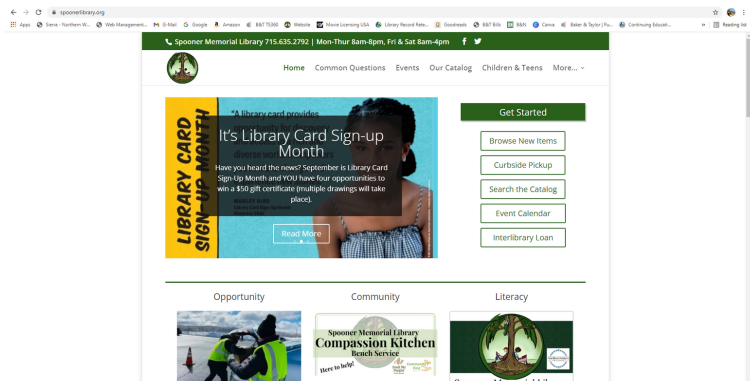
Summer Reading has come to a close at Spooner Memorial Library after 12 weeks of fun and excitement. 559 community members of all ages participated this year in the program themed "Reading Gives Us Wings," reading a new record number of books - **12,733**! Library summer reading programs are in place to promote a love of reading, library use, and positive choices during the summer.

Each year participants are given a goal of a certain number of books to read in 12 weeks. This year many participants read past their goal for extra chances at winning fun grand prizes on the last day of the program. Twenty six kids read at least 100 books, 87 kids read at least 50 books, 21 teens read at least 25 books, and 40 adults read at least 25 books. Some participants went above and beyond this summer. Konrad Weideman was the super reader of the summer with a total of 513 books read to him. His brother Emery had 508 books read to him. Kayden Sensenig was the super reader in the 6-11 age group, reading 194 books. Teen, and grand prize winner, Logan Christel read 133 books. Adult Shawn Cheplick was the adult super reader, reading 70 books.

The top read book in the 0-5 age category was "Where do Diggers Sleep at Night?" by Brianna Caplan Sayres. Children aged 6-11 enjoyed "Smile," a graphic novel by Raina Telgemeier the most. This age group also enjoyed "Half-Minute Horrors" by Susan Rich, and books with Pokemon, Dog Man, and Pete the Cat. The most popular reads in the teen age group were "Diary of a Wimpy Kid" by Jeff Kinney, "The Adventures of King Arthur" by Russell Punter, "Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone" by J.K. Rowling, and "The Son of Neptune" by Rick Riordan. Adults had many top reads with "Dark Sky" by C.J. Box being number one followed by "Where the Crawdads Sing" by Delia Owens, "Twisted Twenty-Six" by Janet Evanovich, "The Midnight Library" by Matt Haig, "The Last Thing He Told Me" by Laura Dave, "Great Alone" by Kristin Hannah, "The Four Winds" by Kristin Hannah, "First Touch" by Laurelin Paige, and "Death in Daylesford" by Kerry Greenwood.

Thanks again to the 2021 Summer Reading Program sponsors!

Ace Hardware, All Seasons Auto Glass, Alley Cats Coffee, Anderson, Hager, & Moe, Attention to Detail, Bistro63, China House, The Chocolate Studio, Community Alliance for Prevention, Denelie's Pizza, Economart, Edina Realty Sacco Group, Fuel Lab Nutrition, Indianhead Floral Garden & Gift, Iplay, Jack's Canoe Rental, Mayana Chocolate, Nick's Family Restaurant, North Crossing Foods, Northwind Book & Fiber, PJK Plumbing, Purple Pelican, Quarter's Arcade, Red Cross Pharmacy, Sather Jewelry, Schmitz's economart, Spooner & Hayward Physical Therapy, Spooner Outlet, Staupe Computers, The Dock, The Potter's Shed, ThistleBee, Tim Reedy State Farm, Tracks, Tractor Supply Co, Trillium Home.



WEBSITE

Our website got a facelift!
Visit spoonerlibrary.org for latest events, library news, new releases, resources, library board minutes and agendas, and more!

LIBBY

Libby is a free app where you can borrow ebooks, digital audiobooks, and magazines from your public library. You can stream titles with Wi-Fi or mobile data, or download them for offline use and read anytime, anywhere on your tablet or smartphone. All you need to get started is a library card.

NEW CARDS

Our library cards have a new look! Lost your card or just want a card with our fun logo? You're in luck! Stop by and we can update your card. We can even make sure your Libby information transfers over to the new library card number. It's free!

GALE COURSES

Gale Courses offers a wide range of highly interactive, instructor led courses that you can take entirely online. As a library card holder in good standing, you are entitled to these courses at no cost. Courses run for six weeks and new sessions begin every month.
Visit education.gale.com/l-nwater/

STORY HOUR

Fall Session Story Hour
Wednesdays, 10-11 a.m. from October 6 - December 29.
This program is geared toward children aged 3-5 but all children are welcome and we are happy to adapt the programs to accommodate needs. Books, crafts, & snacks!
Story Hour meets at **Spooner Railroad Park.**
Location in November & December TBD.
Visit spoonerlibrary.org/events or call the library at (715)635-2792 to register.
No Story Hour in January.

FREE SCIENCE KITS

October 21-24, Wisconsin Science Festival will host their official "Science in a Bag" program! Spooner Memorial Library will have fifty kits available at the library. Stop by during regular library hours to get a free Science in a Bag STEM Kit courtesy of the Wisconsin Science Festival. Activities are appropriate for ages K-12 and feature science and research happening in the state of Wisconsin. In addition, visit the Science in a Bag portal for further instructions and bonus activities related to the Science in a Bag kits! Before beginning Science in a Bag activities, please get permission from a responsible adult.

LEGO CLUB

2nd Monday of the month, 6:00-7:00 p.m.
October 11, November 8, December 13

Build based on a theme. LEGOs provided. Creations are put on display for the month! Visit spoonerlibrary.org/events to reserve a table for your family or social pod, or call (715)635-2792. Masks required, ages 5+.

WASHCO OUTDOOR SOCIAL GROUP

Email Outreach Librarian, Katy Larson to be added to the WashCo Outdoor Social Group email list and receive information when opportunities for free outdoor events arise.

Email: spoonerlibraryoutreach@gmail.com

SAVVY SENIORS BOOK GROUP

Join these Savvy Seniors for in-depth, lively discussions on diverse books chosen by the group. Please register at spoonerlibrary.org/events or call the library at (715)635-2792.

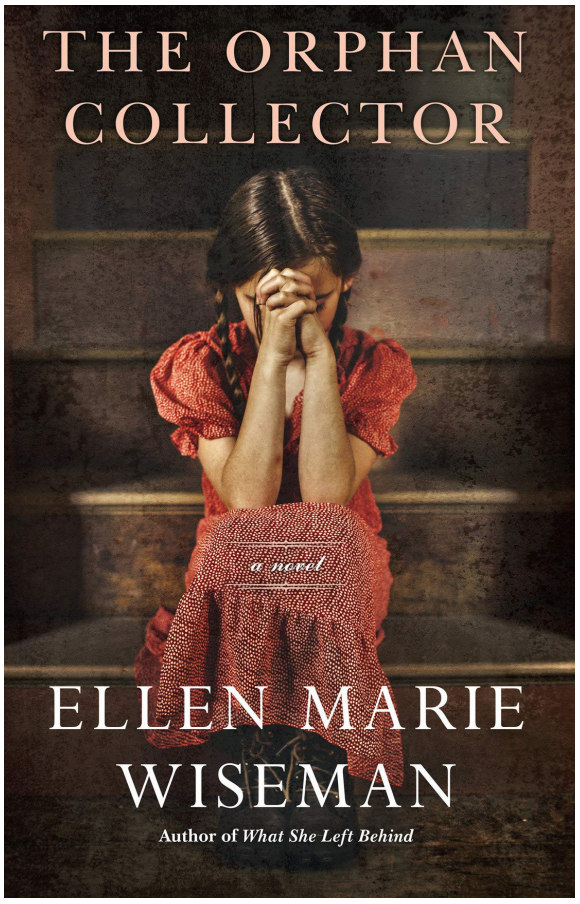
Tuesday, October 26 @ 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
"The Orphan Collector: A Heroic Novel of Survival During the 1918 Influenza Pandemic" by Ellen Marie Wiseman.

Tuesday, November 23 @ 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
"Spoken from the Heart" by Laura Bush.

Tuesday, December 21 @ 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
December's title will be chosen by the group at the October meeting.

COPIES OF THE BOOK, INCLUDING LARGE PRINT, ARE AVAILABLE AT THE LIBRARY.

Call or email Katy at spoonerlibraryoutreach@gmail.com to get on the contact list or to inquire about the group.



STUFFED ANIMAL SLEEPOVERS

Bring your favorite stuffed animal to the library for a pajama story time and craft, and then leave them overnight for a sleepover! Pick up your animal the next day with a photo of their library adventure! Reserve your spot at spoonerlibrary.org/events.

Two options to help space out attendees
(masks required, ages 5+):

November 9: 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm
November 30: 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm

JACK 'O LANTERN FEST: PUMPKIN & SCARECROW CONTESTS

Saturday, October 16 is Jack 'O Lantern Festival in Spooner and the library has two fun contests!

Pumpkin Carving Contest:
Decorate or carve a pumpkin or gourd and bring your creation to the library by 9:00 a.m. the day of the contest. Your creation will be on display for the duration of Jack 'O Lantern Fest with judging happening at noon. This year the contest categories are ages 0-5, ages 6-11, ages 12-17, ages 18+, and People's Choice. Creations will be judged on creativity, attention to detail, quality of work, and degree of difficulty. Entry forms can be picked up at the library and must be turned in with pumpkins. Win prizes!

Scarecrow Contest:
The scarecrow contest is open to all ages, individuals, families, clubs, groups, schools, and businesses. Each person or group may only enter once. There are two categories this year:

1. Traditional – Most likely to scare a crow. Typical farm and garden scarecrows made from cast-off clothing, burlap, sacks, overalls, straw hats, aprons, bonnets, corn shocks, straw, etc.
2. Non-Traditional – Whimsical, fairytale, humorous, fantasy, celebrity, etc. Design your favorite character from a book, fairytale, or fantasy figure.

Five winners will be announced after noon judging (1st and 2nd place in each category and a people's choice). Creations will be judged on creativity, attention to detail, quality of work, and degree of difficulty. Entry forms can be picked up at the library and must be turned in with scarecrow. Win prizes!

Gruesome, bloody, political, or not family-oriented entries will be disqualified.

WINTER READING CHALLENGES

November 5, 2021 - May 5, 2022
Fifth Annual Adult Winter Reading Challenge
Sign up at the Library or at Northwind Book & Fiber starting November 5th. This year's theme is "What is Truth" and books from the list will be available at the bookstore to purchase or at the library to check out. On May 5th, drawings will take place for $20, $30, and $60 Northwind Book & Fiber gift certificates. Read for the challenge, or read for the fun!

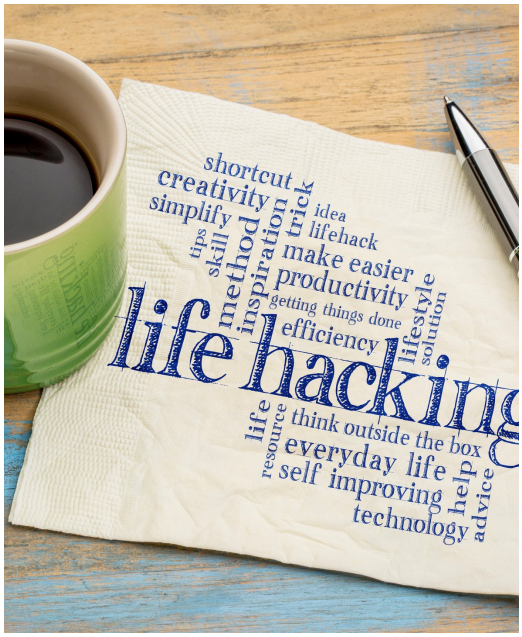
November 5, 2021- May 5, 2022
First Annual Children & Teen Winter Reading Challenge
Sign up at the Library starting November 5th. Open to ages 0-17. There will be 3 different challenge lists, one for ages 0-6, one for ages 7-11, and one for ages 12-17. Drawings will take place for $20 gift certificates to Northwind Book & Fiber and one $50 gift certificate. This year's theme is "Book to Film."

COMMUNITY WORD CLOUD

November 1 - December 1
30 Days of Gratitude - Community Word Cloud
Let's come together as a community by creating a community word cloud with what we are thankful for. We'll make a children's cloud, teen cloud, and adult cloud. Write your words on our sheet at the front desk or online.

WINTER BLACKOUT BINGO

December 1 - December 31
Winter Blackout Bingo
Pick up a BINGO card starting December 1st and start searching for items in your squares. Snap a pictures as you go. After you blackout your card, send a picture of your card and your favorite find during your hunt to Miss Angie at spoonerlibrarydirector@gmail.com. Open to all ages! Prizes!



HOMESCHOOL LIFE HACKS

Homeschooled Kids from 8th-12th grade:

Tuesday, November 2 at 1pm- Learn about searching for solid, credible sources on BadgerLink, our state's free online database of many types of media.

Tuesday, December 7 at 1pm- Learn how to write a resume that makes you stand out.

HOMESCHOOL ART SHOW

Calling all homeschooled kids, all ages!
Display your best piece of artwork at the library

Thursday, Dec 9 - Monday, December 12
Register online at spoonerlibrary.org/events or call the library at (715)635-2792.

MISCHIEF MAKERS: MAKER SPACE PROGRAM

Join this motley maker group for a new DIY project every month. Check our social media for upcoming projects.

We will meet Tuesdays at 6-7:45 p.m. on:
October 19, November 16, and December 14.

Register to reserve your space and supplies. Go online to spoonerlibrary.org/events or call the library.

BOOKS & BREAD

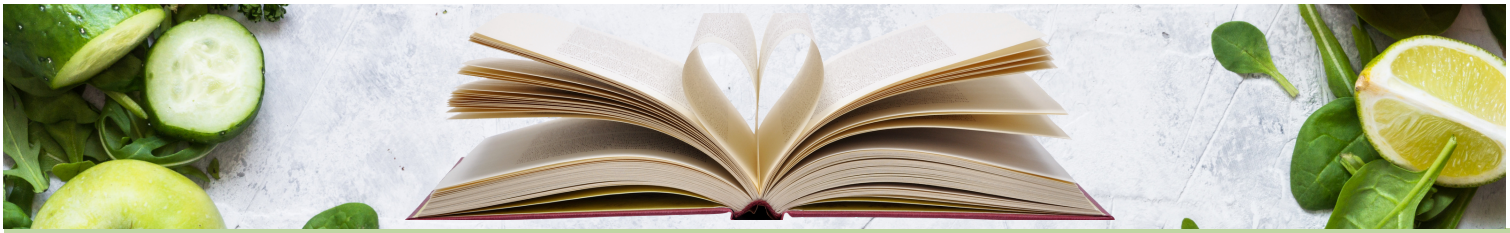
FREE FOOD!

Anyone in need of extra food and library resources is welcome to come and pick up FREE, fresh, food from Feed My People Food Bank and check out books from the Spooner & Shell Lake public mobile libraries. Find us in Beaver Brook and Brooklyn Townships.

OCTOBER 27, NOVEMBER 24, DECEMBER 22

Church of Nazarene
N4584 Hwy 253, Spooner
10:30-11:30 a.m.

Christ Lutheran Church
W5523 Hwy F, Trego
12:00-1:00 p.m.



CARE PACKAGES

As Needed (More Packages Being Made)

Community First Washburn County and Spooner Library have partnered to provide care packages to those in need. Stop in the library and grab a bag of toilet paper, cleaning products, and hygiene items.

Community First
Washburn County

COMPASSION KITCHEN

Feed My People
FOOD BANK

As Needed

Feed My People Food Bank and Spooner Library have partnered to provide Ready to Eat and Emergency Food Bags for the community. Ready to Eat bags contain items that do not need electricity to heat up, while Emergency Food Bags may require a stove or microwave. These bags are available to anyone in need and are located on the bench in the entry way of the library during library hours. If taking a bag, please self document what you took on the clipboard near the bench. This helps us document the need in our area to continue to provide this program.

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Sign up for our newsletter by emailing spoonerlibrarydirector@gmail.com

The Spooner Library Board of Trustees meet on the 4th Tuesday of each month at 5:00 p.m. (Does not meet in December)

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WE ARE OPEN UNTIL 8

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, we are open

8:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.

(We are open 8-4 Fridays and Saturdays. Sundays we are closed.)
Come in before breakfast. Come in after supper.
Bring family and friends.
Use our WiFi. Borrow our books. Use our computers.