

Voice of the Village People

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MORNING COFFEES, GIRL TALK, and HAPPY HOUR: Prairie Village residents are reminded that all are invited to the Tuesday and Thursday morning coffees at 10:00 A.M. in the Multi-Purpose Room in the Community Center. And the same goes for the Happy Hour (cocktail/social hour) at 4:00 P.M. each Wednesday afternoon in the Multi-Purpose Room in the Community Center, and for the Girl Talk gatherings (ladies only, please) on Fridays at 10:00 A.M. in the Library at the Community Center. Lively conversation is guaranteed at these activities. Fairhaven's CEO Paul Kuenning will be making his next bi-monthly report to Prairie Village on Tuesday, November 14th, at 10:00 A.M.

GARBAGE PICKUP: November's bulky collection date is the second Thursday, November 9th. A copy of the schedule has been posted at the Community Center.

MEALS, MEALS – DO YOU NEED MEALS? For short-term, due to an illness or accident, recent hospitalization, bereavement, etc., contact Colleen Endisch – 262-325-1460. And for Whitewater Meals on Wheels (MOW) long-term (\$10 per meal) contact Marguerite Willman, 708-822-0539.

NEWSLETTERS: Copies of Fairhaven and Seniors in the Park newsletters are available on the brochure rack inside the Community Center. Please feel free to submit an article for the Prairie Village newsletter if you have any interest in sharing information with other residents – either e-mail to Nelda at nelronbergsten@gmail.com, or deliver or mail a “hard” copy to 852 Acorn Ridge.

IMPORTANT UPCOMING CALENDAR ITEMS

Wednesday, the 1st -- Rummikub (Multi-Purpose Room) – 2:00 P.M.

Thursday, the 2nd -- Prairie Village Choraliers (Multi-Purpose Room) – 11:00 A.M.
Cribbage (Conference Room) – 2:00 P.M.

Saturday, the 4th – Bean Bag Baseball (Multi-Purpose Room) – 9:30 A.M.

Tuesday, the 7th -- Tuesday Bridge (Multi-Purpose Room) – 1:00 P.M.

Wednesday, the 8th – Duplicate Bridge (Meeting Room and Office) – 1:00 P.M.
Hand and Foot (Game Room) – 2:00 P.M.
Movie Night (Multi-Purpose Room) – 6:30 P.M.

IMPORTANT UPCOMING CALENDAR ITEMS, continued

Thursday, the 9th -- Bulky garbage/recycling pickup

Prairie Village Choraliers (Multi-Purpose Room) – 11:00 A.M.

Poker (Game Room) – 2:00 P.M.

Saturday, the 11th – Bean Bag Baseball (Multi-Purpose Room) – 9:30 A.M.

Tuesday, the 14th -- Tuesday Bridge (Multi-Purpose Room) – 1:00 P.M.

Wednesday, the 15th -- Rummikub (Multi-Purpose Room) – 2:00 P.M.

Dagwood Bumstead Day/Make Your Own Sandwich (Multi-Purpose Room) –
5:00 P.M.

Thursday, the 16th -- Prairie Village Choraliers (Multi-Purpose Room) – 11:00 A.M.

Cribbage (Conference Room) – 2:00 P.M.

Saturday, the 18th – Bean Bag Baseball (Multi-Purpose Room) – 9:30 A.M.

Tuesday, the 21st -- Tuesday Bridge (Multi-Purpose Room) – 1:00 P.M.

Wednesday, the 22nd – Duplicate Bridge (Meeting Room and Office) – 1:00 P.M.

Hand and Foot (Game Room) – 2:00 P.M.

Thursday, the 23rd -- Prairie Village Choraliers (Multi-Purpose Room) – 11:00 A.M.

Poker (Game Room) – 2:00 P.M.

Saturday, the 25th – Bean Bag Baseball (Multi-Purpose Room) – 9:30 A.M.

Tuesday, the 28th -- Tuesday Bridge (Multi-Purpose Room) – 1:00 P.M.

Wednesday, the 29th -- Crime Book Club (Library) – 6:30 P.M.

Thursday, the 30th -- Prairie Village Choraliers (Multi-Purpose Room) – 11:00 A.M.

Please note that information about all activities scheduled at Fairhaven can be found in the Fairhaven newsletter, copies of which are available in the lobby at the Community Center.

UPCOMING SOCIAL EVENTS:

Movie Night November, 8th, at 6:30 P.M.

This is the 250th Anniversary of the song Amazing Grace.

We will watch the movie titled Amazing Grace. This is the inspiring story of how one man's passion and perseverance changed the world. Based on the true story of William Wilberforce (actor Ioan Gruffudd) Amazing Grace follows his courageous quest to end the British slave trade. Along the way, Wilberforce meets intense opposition of Parliament but his minister, John Newton (actor Albert Finney) a reformed slave ship Captain who penned the beloved hymn urges him to see the cause through.

I watch many British shows and movies on my **Britbox** app on my TV. This movie has some of the best stage and movie actors that Britain has to offer.

Snacks and Beverages are always available for your enjoyment. Judith Moldenhauer

Dagwood Bumstead Day

Make your own Sandwich. Play Bingo. Chat with neighbors: Wednesday, November 15th, at 5:00. Join the Village to create your sandwich: a variety of breads, meats and cheeses will be provided. What do you like to eat with sandwiches? Soup? Salad? Side dish? Dessert? Bring it along! Following our meal, we will play some Bingo and have prizes. There is a sign-up at the Community Center. Mark a reminder on your bulletin board! Sorry, Dagwood and Blondie have other plans!

CRIME BOOK CLUB

Our read for the month of October was The Bullet That Missed by Richard Osman. We became reacquainted with the Thursday Murder Club. It was fun to meet up again with Elizabeth, Joyce, Ron, and Ibrahim as well as a multiple of other characters. I almost had to take notes so I could keep them all straight. Carolyn reported to me that at one point she laughed right out loud because the situation was so absurd. Anxious to find out where that was.

Our new book for November is a revisit with Chief Inspector Gamache. The author of the book is Louise Penny, and the name is The Madness of Crowds. We all seemed to enjoy the last book we read by this author so hopefully this also will be a good read.

Just a reminder, our schedule is as follows: November 29, January 3, **2024**, January 31, February 28, March 27, April 24, and May 21. We will then take June, July and August off for the summer of 2024.

Happy Reading!

Kathy Schumacher

Library Update

Finding Books for You

I have delivered books to some of you, based on what you've told me are your author, genre, etc. interests. I have also shared books from our collection and elsewhere with Fairhaven residents and staff, based on what I've learned about their reading interests*. Should you have something you want me to look for you, let me know. I find books for our Library in a variety of places, and we get a lot of different kinds of donations. Knowing what you prefer will help you and our collection.

*Fairhaven residents and staff's reading interests range from knitting, philosophy, wood-working, American history, humor, and Ernest Hemmingway. As you see, some of those interests are books we don't have in our Library, but when I see them in Little Free Libraries, etc., I pass them on. If you've such and want to share, you can leave them with me.

Christmas Collections

Be on the lookout for our Christmas puzzles and books. The Christmas puzzles will be out on the cabinet top where the puzzles are stored. The books will replace the ones on the recently donated table for the holiday season.

Donations

Should you have books to donate, please leave them in the cooler on my porch (881 BOT), or I'll come get what you have. Please limit your non-fiction donations to history and biographies. You are welcome to leave your returns in that cooler, too. Puzzle donations are always welcome, too. If you've questions about the Library, please let me know. Thanks to everyone who contributes in any way to this effort.

Kathy Ross

Consider Volunteering at the Mini Mart

What do Bev Aulik, Sue Brey, Margaret Hancock, Shirley Kurth, Beth McCulley, and Judith Moldenhauer have in common besides being our neighbors? They volunteer for the Mini Mart located on the Lower Level at Fairhaven. If you've a couple of customer service-oriented hours to offer every few months and want to meet more Fairhaven residents and staff, you might consider joining them. I expect they'd be happy to share the details. I know that Janet Morrow, Mini Mart Manager, would be delighted to answer your questions about what a Mini Mart volunteer does. Janet's phone number is (262)215-2055.

Kathy Ross for Friends of Fairhaven

November at the Whitewater Library

Fiber Friday Nov. 3, 3:00-4:30 P.M. For all ages and skill levels! Bring your own project or use our materials to create knitting, crochet, embroidery, needle felting, and more!

Great Retro Whitewater Cookbook Contest Nov. 4, at Noon-2 P.M.. Come one, come all to the Great Retro Whitewater Cookbook Contest! Contestants of all ages are invited to prepare a dish from one of our local, historical cookbooks. You will be competing for coveted prizes donated by Whitewater restaurants! For more info and to sign up, visit the library!

November Activities at the Whitewater Library, continued

Understanding Whitewater's Effigy Mounds Preserve Monday, Nov. 6th, at 6:00 P.M. This family-friendly program will be led by Wisconsin Historical Society staff archeologist, Dr. Amy Rosebrough, to promote a greater historical and cultural understanding of Whitewater's Effigy Mounds in honor of Native American Heritage Month.

Kao Kalia Yang Book Discussion Tuesday, Nov. 7th, at 5:30 pP.M. Somewhere in the Unknown World is a collection of powerful stories of refugees who have found new lives in Minnesota's Twin Cities, told by the award-winning Hmong American author Kao Kalia Yang. In her exquisite, necessary telling, these fourteen stories of refugee journeys restore history and humanity to America's strangers and redeem its long tradition of welcome. A limited number of library copies are available for checkout at the front desk. Read in advance and then join us for the book discussion at the library. But it gets even better! Community members are invited to a book discussion and Q&A with the author on the UW-Whitewater campus! Virtual options are available. Click here for more details: [Register | University of Wisconsin-Whitewater \(uww.edu\)](#)

Chess Club Tuesday, Nov. 7th, at 6:30 P.M. For all ages and skill-levels!

Memory Cafe: Painting Party Monday, Nov. 13th, at 10:30 A.M. This event is for those living with early-stage memory loss and their care partner. We will be painting an autumn scene. Registration is requested. Fill out this [online form](#) or call Suzanne at 262-473-0530 to register or with any questions.

"Pearl" Film Screening Tuesday, Nov. 14th. at 5:30 P.M. Join us for a screening of "Pearl" -- a feature film set in 1920s rural Oklahoma. Based on the remarkable true story of Chickasaw aviatrix, Pearl Carter Scott, the youngest licensed pilot in American history. Mentored by world-renowned aviator Wiley Post, Pearl first pilots a plane at the age of 12 and becomes a commercial pilot and local celebrity before she reaches adulthood. As she finds love and becomes a wife and mother, her two greatest passions collide.

Handmade for the Holidays: Confetti Candles & DIY Vanilla Tuesday, Nov. 21st, at 6:30 P.M. For adults and teens. Join us to decorate taper candles and make our own vanilla extract. No registration required.

Mindful Mondays Book Club Nov. 27th (Every 4th Monday of the Month) Mindful Mondays is a book club for conscious living led by Denise Maple and Lori Frison. Join us every 4th Monday at 6:00-7:30 P.M. for a book discussion and mindfulness practice. This month, we will be discussing Mastering Mindful Eating by Michelle Babb. A limited number of copies are available for check out at the library's front desk.

Handmade for the Holidays: Pinecone Flowers Tuesday, Nov. 28th, at 6:30 P.M. For adults and teens. Join us to make a bouquet of decorated pinecone flowers! No cost or registration.

WE WANT TO EXTEND A BIG
WELCOME

Don and Jo Norman, who moved into 841 Acorn Ridge
and Dave and Sue Potter, who moved into 823 Burr Oak Trail

Thanks and kudos are due once again to the crew who decorated the tree in the lobby of the Community Center. As you can see, it is now decked out for fall.

Origins

Duck eggs for breakfast yesterday
without evidence of fertilization inside.
Shells were harder to crack
than chicken eggs.
When one tiny cell breaks
into the secrets of another
the era of singular beginnings is ended.
Origins became complex,
multiple, never to turn back.

Gerry Bertsch



Thanks and kudos also to Carolyn Behrens who provided the great pictures of the garden during the growing season.

The Year of the Garden:

