

THE PAGE TURNER

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- Newsletter - Read "The Page Turner" from home.
- Calendar - Keep up on upcoming events, meetings and closings.
- Service - News about our Children's, Teen and Adult services.

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DIRECTOR'S CORNER by Gayle Trede

The Board and staff are very proud of the new services we implemented in 2010. Due to sponsorship from the Friends the library was able to provide three exciting speakers ranging from Iowa's Poet Laureate, Mary Swander; Layton Zbornik, a member of Iowa's Rock and Roll Hall of Fame; plus Terry Fisk of Unexplained Research as a Halloween treat to talk about the ghosts of Iowa. In addition we had a program on trains of Southeast Iowa and another on the danger of deer ticks.

There were two basic computer classes offered this fall. There will be more computer classes in February. Dates and times will be announced later.

Several new services were provided for our patrons. We now offer free access to eBooks and downloadable audio books for all ages. DearReader Online Book Club allows you to sample chapters of books. TumbleBooks and TumbleReadables offer online books and activities for toddlers to adults. These services were added through the largesse of the Hoaglin Foundation, Friends and Mt. Pleasant Woman's Club. All of these services are available from the library's website, www.mountpleasantiowalibrary.com.

A new book club, Girls Night Out, started in October and meets the third Tuesday of the month at 6:30 pm.

Various displays throughout the library continue to please. One favorite is the "Staff Picks" display which lets patrons know some of our favorites.

The Children's Area added a Toddler Story Time and a Baby & Me Story Time for little ones. Be sure to check out the Literacy Station in the Children's area, provided by funds from the Hoaglin Foundation and keep checking for new services for children.

In February we will be celebrating "Library Lover's Month" with some surprises and even some prizes. So stop in, check our website and Facebook page and keep on reading!



BOARDWALK



The board will be meeting January 11th and do a walk around the library to look for any areas that need to be refurbished or repaired. On February 8th the board will be reviewing Board By-Laws and the Library section of the City Code.

The meetings are at 6:30 pm in the Library's large study room. Public is welcome to attend. If you would like to address the Board, please contact the library director in person or by phone or e-mail at least 24 hours before the meeting.

FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

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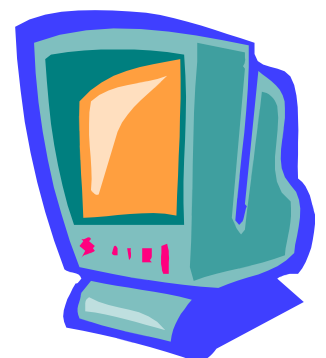


The Friends meetings will now be at 1:30 pm the second Tuesday of the month starting January 11th. Anyone interested in helping the library in any way is urged to attend a meeting or contact library director Gayle Trede in person, by phone or by e-mail.

Ideas are being developed for programming, materials, volunteer options and services. Last year the Friends sponsored Mary Swander, Iowa's Poet Laureate, Layton Zbornik and Terry Fisk of Unexplained Research as speakers. Don't pass up this opportunity to help the library improve its services.

ON THE WEBSITE...

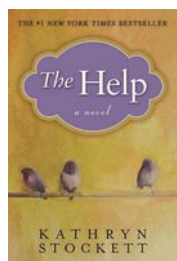
Check us out on **facebook** today! Make sure you take a look at the new WILBOR instructions. There are some minor changes that should make it even easier to use! You will also find all of the WILBOR selections now listed in our card catalog! E-books are also now available!



BOOK CLUBS

GIRL'S NIGHT OUT BOOK CLUB:

This group meets on the 3rd Tuesday of every month at 6:30pm in the large Study room at the library. Anyone is welcome to join.



The January 18th discussion will be about *"The Help"* by Kathryn Stockett. Limited and persecuted by racial divides in 1962 Jackson, Mississippi, three women, including an African-American maid, her sassy and chronically unemployed friend, and a recently graduated white woman, team up for a clan-

FOURTH TUESDAY BOOK DISCUSSION:

The selection for January 25th is Sarah Blake's *"The Postmistress"*. The stories of a small Cape Cod postmistress and an American radio reporter stationed in London collide on the eve of the United States' entrance into World War II, a meeting that is shaped by a broken promise to deliver a letter.



The February 22nd selection is *"Driftless"* by David Rhodes. This work, by the physically disabled author of [The Last Fair Deal Going Down](#), takes place in a sleepy Wisconsin community in which dairy farmers struggle to protect themselves from a scheming co-op, a paraplegic starts to recover only to realize the rage she feels toward others, and a retiree experiences haunting childhood memories.

The book discussions are held every 4th Tuesday of the month at 1:30 pm in the library's large study room.

Upcoming book selections (subject to change):

- March - *"The Girls From Ames"* by Jeffrey Zaslow
- April - *"When Everything Changed: the Amazing Journey of American Women From 1960 to the Present"* by Gail Collins
- May - *"The Girls of Murder City"* by Douglas Perry
- June - *"Blessings"* by Anna Quindlen
- July - *"Remarkable Creatures"* by Tracy Chevalier

STAFF PICKS

- **A KISS AT MIDNIGHT** by Eloisa James

LP F JAM

When impoverished Miss Kate Daltry meets Prince Gabriel at a ball, the prince is drawn to this spirited beauty despite being engaged to another, but their irresistible attraction is ill-fated until a kiss changes everything.



- **THE LIGHTNING THIEF** by Rick Riordan

YA F RIO

After learning that the father he never knew is Poseidon, God of the Sea, Percy Jackson is transferred from boarding school to Camp Half-Blood, a summer camp for demigods, and becomes involved in a quest to prevent a war between the gods.



- **MILKWEED** by Jerry Spinelli

YA F SPI

He's a boy called Jew. Gypsy. Stopthief. Runt. Happy. Fast. Filthy son of Abraham -- He's a boy who lives in the streets of Warsaw. He's a boy who steals food for himself and the other orphans. He's a boy who believes in bread, and mothers, and angels He's a boy who wants to be a Nazi some day, with tall shiny jackboots and a gleaming Eagle hat of his own. Until the day that suddenly makes him change his mind. When the trains come to empty the Jews from the ghetto of the damned, he's a boy who realizes it's safest of all to be nobody.



- **THE ZOOKEEPER'S WIFE** by Diane Ackerman

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Documents the true story of Warsaw Zoo keepers and resistance activists Jan and Antonina Zabinski, who in the aftermath of Germany's invasion of Poland saved the lives of hundreds of Jewish citizens by smuggling them into empty cages and their home villa.



- **FAIREST** by Gail Carson Levine

J F LEV

In a land where beauty and singing are valued above all else, Aza eventually comes to reconcile her unconventional appearance and her magical voice, and learns to accept herself for who she truly is.



- **FIRST DROP OF CRIMSON** by Jeaniene Frost

F FRO SFF

When a demon shape-shifter begins stalking an innocent mortal, Spade, a powerful vampire, is duty-bound to protect this woman who arouses his deepest hungers, even if it means destroying his own kind.



- **QUEEN OF THE NIGHT** by J. A. Jance

J JAN MYS

Every summer, in an event that is commemorated throughout the Tohono O'odham Nation, the Queen of the Night flower blooms in the Arizona desert. But one couple's intended celebration is shattered by gunfire, the sole witness to the bloodshed a little girl who has lost the only family she's ever known. To her rescue come Dr. Lani Walker, who sees the trauma of her own childhood reflected in her young patient, and Dan Pardee, an Iraq war veteran and member of an unorthodox border patrol unit called the Shadow Wolves. Joined by Pima County homicide investigator Brian Fellows, they must keep the child safe while tracking down a ruthless killer.



KID'S PLAY

The New Year brings another batch of programs to the Children's Department. We are pleased to announce that Toddler Time will be returning, as will our old standby, Pre-School Storyhour.

Toddler Time will be taught by Children's Librarian, Susan Mast, unless another instructor can be secured. Registration will be held in January, so plan to sign up your 18 - 35 month child and a care giver for this high-energy and literature-filled program.

Susan and Tia (Chris retired and has moved to Wisconsin!) will be sharing the teaching responsibilities for Pre-School Storyhour. Registration begins in January. This 45-minute session program is for 3 - 5 year olds who are comfortable being away from their care giver. Children are introduced to stories, fingerplays, crafts and music. An absolute "must" for every active child.

Registration forms will be available in the Children's Department at the library beginning January 10th, 2011. All classes are FREE!!

WINTER READING PROGRAM

The children's department will be offering a short, 4 week, winter reading program. This program is for 3 year olds - 5 graders. Stop in the library for more details. School age children will receive a flyer at school. The feature character of this special program is none other than The Cat in the Hat. This program will also incorporate the PBS show *THE CAT IN THE HAT KNOWS A LOT ABOUT THAT*.

STICKY FINGERS CLUB

Don't forget to bring the family to the Sticky Fingers Club for a quick "make 'n' take craft project. This group meets the *second Monday* of each month. Stop by anytime between 6:00 - 7:00 pm. Fun for kids and grown-ups, too! No pre-registration and no cost!

EBOOKS @ Mt. Pleasant Public

You can now download electronic books from the library's website: mountpleasantiowalibrary.com through Wilbor for free! All books will check out for 14 days. You must have a digital reading device to access these books.

The following devices are compatible with the ebooks from the library:

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Windows 7

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Windows XP SP2

Windows 2000 SP4

Mac computers with

Mac OS® X v10.6

Mac OS X v10.5

Mac OS X v10.4.10

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MON-THU	10:00am-8:00pm
FRIDAY	10:00am-5:30pm
SATURDAY	10:00am-5:00pm
SUNDAY	CLOSED

REMEMBER...

**BUY A BAG OF USED BOOKS
FROM THE FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY
BOOK SALE FOR ONLY \$4.00 A BAG!!**

**BUY A HEAVY-DUTY TOTE BAG FULL
OF BOOKS FOR ONLY \$10.00 -
BOOKS INCLUDED!!**

*The Mount Pleasant Public
Library would like to thank
Family Video for cleaning
and repairing our dirty and
damaged CD's and DVD's.*

IMPORTANT DATES

January

February

BOARD MEETINGS

JANUARY 11th - 6:30pm

FEBRUARY 8th - 6:30pm

FRIENDS MEETINGS

JANUARY 11th - 1:30pm

FEBRUARY 8th - 1:30pm

4TH TUESDAY BOOK DISCUSSION

JANUARY 25th - 1:30pm

FEBRUARY 22nd - 1:30pm

GIRL'S NIGHT OUT BOOK CLUB

JANUARY 18th - 6:30pm

FEBRUARY 15th - 6:30pm



CLOSED
FEBRUARY 21st
FOR
PRESIDENT'S
DAY

