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DIRECTOR'S CORNER

by Gayle Trede

Another school year is here and the Mount Pleasant Public Library is ready to help. One of the things this library provides for patrons is access to *Britannica Online*. This database is accessible from the library's website, www.mountpleasant.iowalibrary.com, and is free to everyone. All you need is a Mount Pleasant Public Library card. You must have the library card number to access the site. Put in the full 13-digit number starting with 20466000XXXXX.

Britannica is available at anytime, day or night. For those of you who are night owls or don't start studying until after 10 pm, this is the site for you.

This site is for all ages. The home page is for middle-school age to adult and the KIDS PAGE, which has a link in the upper right side of the screen, is for the elementary to middle-school age patron. Both sites are easy to search and even allow you to set up your own workspace. An encyclopedia is one of the best places to start looking for information on a topic. It will give you background information and guide you to other topics or areas for more information. If you are doing research for a paper, the encyclopedia will get you started, but you will need to get information from other sources.

Whether you are searching Britannica for school needs or information to increase your knowledge on a topic or just to settle a bet, this is a good place to start.

DID YOU KNOW SEPTEMBER IS LIBRARY CARD SIGN-UP MONTH??

A library card gives you free access to books, computers, reference information, CDs, DVDs, health, how - to information, history, literature, science, art, local history, genealogy and much more. In these tough economic times, a library card is one of the "smartest" cards in your wallet. It is an essential school supply for both students and teachers. So be sure to get your library card at the Mount Pleasant Public Library today and, to paraphrase Karl Malden and American Express, *don't leave home without it.*

Sponsored by the American Library Association. For more information go to iovelibraries.org/librarycard



BOARDWALK

The board meetings during September and October will be focusing on library policies, the 2011 FY budget and the director’s evaluation. All meetings are open to the public. If you would like to address the Board, we ask that you contact the library director a minimum of 24 hours before a meeting, so you can be added to the agenda. All meetings are held in the large study room of the library on the second Tuesday of every month at 6:00pm. September’s meeting is on the 8th and October’s meeting is on the 13th.



FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

ADVOCATE

SUPPORT

VOLUNTEER

The Friends will be meeting September 8th at 5:45pm in the library’s large study room. This meeting will include making decisions on projects for the next year. If you would like to help the library maintain and upgrade our services, please consider joining the Friends of the Library. The Friends volunteer to help with programs and they run our used book sale. They help write grants and raise money for projects; purchase supplies for the Youth Summer Reading Programs; buy equipment and materials and advocate for the library.

You can be a member of Friends for as low as \$15.00 a year. Students can get a membership for \$5.00 a year. If you are a Friend you receive a “Get out of Fines” card good for one time during the year; you get to participate in the development of new programs and services and you get a discount on book sale items. On top of that you get a voice in deciding which projects and programs need support.

The October Friends meeting is on the 13th at 5:45pm in the large study room at the library.



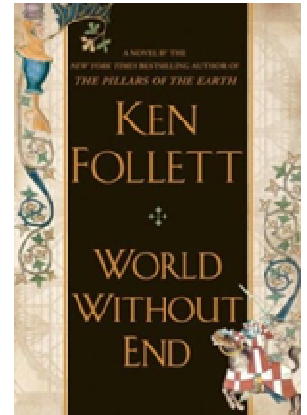
Hope to see you there!!!!

FOURTH TUESDAY BOOK DISCUSSION

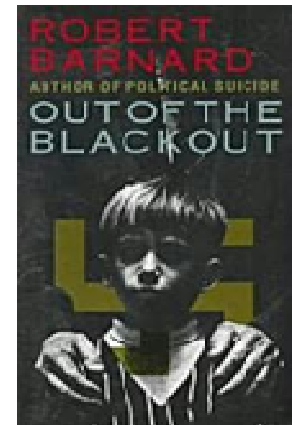
The book discussion group meets the 4th Tuesday of every month at 1:30 pm in the Mount Pleasant Public Library's large study room.

World Without End by Ken Follett is the selection for September 22nd.

On the day after Halloween, in the year 1327, four children slip away from the cathedral city of Kingsbridge. They are a thief, a bully, a boy genius and a girl who wants to be a doctor. In the forest they see two men killed. As adults, their lives will be braided together by ambition, love, greed and revenge. They will see prosperity and famine, plague and war. One boy will travel the world but come home in the end; the other will be a powerful, corrupt nobleman. One girl will defy the might of the medieval church; the other will pursue an impossible love. And always they will live under the long shadow of the unexplained killing they witnessed on that fateful childhood day. Ken Follett's masterful epic "The Pillars of the Earth" enchanted millions of readers with its compelling drama of war, passion and family conflict set around the building of a cathedral. Now "World Without End" takes readers back to medieval Kingsbridge two centuries later, as the men, women and children of the city once again grapple with the devastating sweep of historical change.



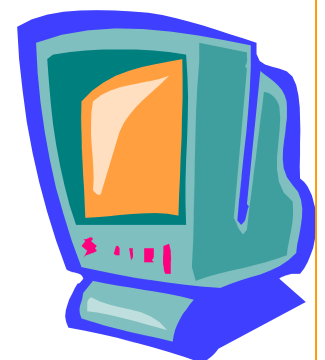
October 27th the discussion will be about *Out of the Blackout* by Robert Barnard. With the Nazis bombing London on a nightly basis, many working-class families sent their children to the comparative safety of the countryside. When the Blitz ended, the families came for their kids . . . but no one ever came for Simon Thorn. His name appears on no list of the evacuated children. And none of his meager belongings offer any clues to his origins. Now an adult, newly moved to London, Simon is puzzled by an odd sense of familiarity when he walks down certain streets. He remembers his years of terrible nightmares - nightmares that would cause him to wake up screaming, terrifying his bewildered foster parents. And he resolves, once and for all, to find out where he originally came from . . . even as everything he uncovers suggests that, really, he doesn't want to know.



Pictures and reviews from <http://www.fantasticfiction.co.uk>

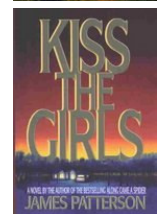
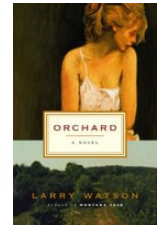
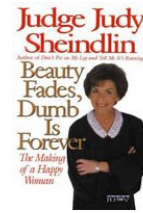
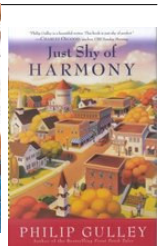
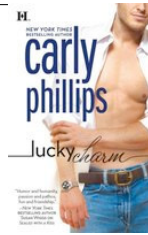
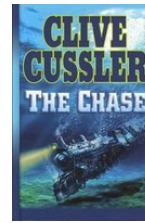
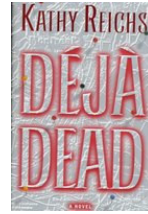
COMING SOON...

Look for our "NEW MATERIAL" section on the website! We hope to have it up and running by the first of September. We will be posting our new material — including books, recorded books, CD's and DVD's — on our website as we receive them each month! We are very excited to add this service for our patrons. We are in the process of upgrading and updating our web site. Watch for new links and more information as it happens!



STAFF PICKS

- **DEJA DEAD** by Kathy Reichs
- **THE CHASE** by Clive Cussler
- **LUCKY CHARM** by Carly Phillips
- **JUST SHY OF HARMONY** by Phil Gulley
- **BEAUTY FADES, DUMB IS FOREVER** by Judge Judy Sheindlin
- **ORCHARD** by Larry Watson
- **MUTANT MESSAGE DOWN UNDER** by Marlo Morgan
- **KISS THE GIRLS** by James Patterson



KID'S PLAY

It's that time again!!

STORYHOUR registration begins September 8th for the fall session.

- Children between the ages of 3 and 5 are invited to participate.
- Parents may choose from sessions on Wednesday, Thursday OR Friday.
- STORYHOUR is held from 10:30am-11:15am.
- Registrations cannot be accepted over the phone.
- Stop by the Children's department to register... OR
- Go to the Children's page on our website and follow the STORYHOUR link for online registration options.

If you have any questions, please call Susan or Chris at 385-1490 or e-mail Susan at skmmppl@iowatelecom.net.



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LIBRARY HOURS

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

REMEMBER...



NOVEMBER 1st

**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



BOARD MEETINGS

SEPTEMBER 8th - 6:30pm

OCTOBER 13th - 6:30pm

FRIENDS MEETINGS

SEPTEMBER 8th - 5:45pm

OCTOBER 13th - 5:45pm

4TH TUESDAY BOOK DISCUSSION

SEPTEMBER 22nd - 1:30pm

OCTOBER 27th - 1:30pm

THE LIBRARY WILL BE CLOSED:

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 5th for

OLD THRESHERS



&

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 7th for

LABOR DAY

