



## Racine Public Library

75 Seventh Street  
Racine, WI 53403  
(262) 636-9217  
[RacineLibrary.info](http://RacineLibrary.info)

### Library Hours

Monday - Thursday, 9 a.m. - 8 p.m.  
Friday & Saturday, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

## Library Highlights: New Techmobile Next Week, Labor Day Closing



After more than a year of planning, fundraising, shipping delays and a little bit of everything in between, the Racine Public Library is excited to announce that the new Techmobile will be here next week!

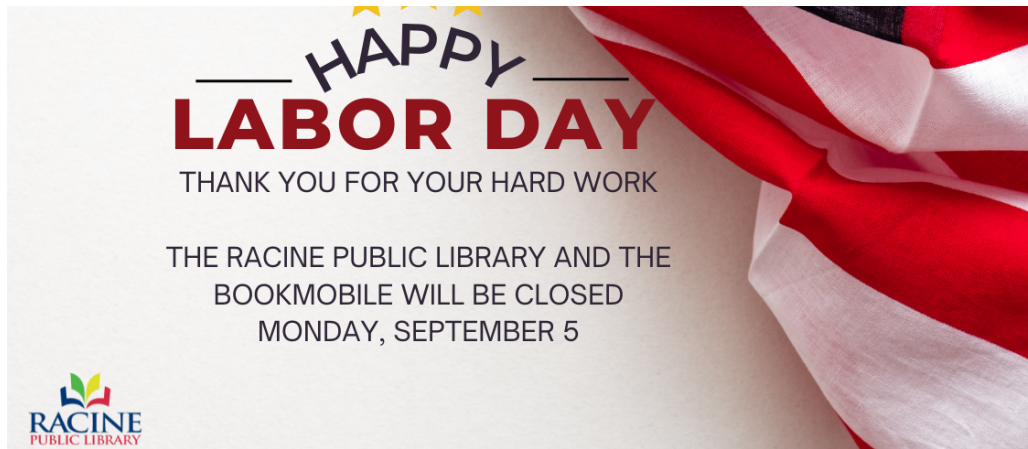
This vehicle, the second mobile library in the [Library GO!](#) fleet, will allow us to easily host tech programs throughout the city, attend more pop-up events without disrupting the current Bookmobile's schedule and to reach more areas in need.

The Techmobile and its materials were made possible by the support of the Emily Lee Foundation, a sponsorship in honor of Evelyn Zepp, and Racine community members like you!

Join us on Friday, Sept. 9th, the official [125th Anniversary](#) of the Racine Public Library, as we unveil the Techmobile with a ribbon-cutting ceremony and recreate historic photos. The event is 5-7 p.m. in the circle of Library Drive, and the ceremony will take place at 5:30 p.m.

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## Celebrating 125 Years

### Upcoming Anniversary Events

**ONCE UPON A TIME,  
125 YEARS AGO...**

*On September 9th, 1897 the Racine Public Library opened its doors for the very first time.*

Unveiling of the Techmobile • Help Fill the New Techmobile • Historic Photo Recreations • Storytimes • Crafts • Vendors • Food • Historical Literary Presentation

5-7 p.m. | Friday, September 9th  
Circle of Library Drive

**RACINE PUBLIC LIBRARY**

**125<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY**

**Row the Root!**

*Library Paddle Fundraiser*

**2022**

4:30 | Saturday, Sept 10  
The R.E.C.

1301 W 6th St, Racine

Join us for a leisurely paddle to the 6th Street Bridge accompanied by a talk about the Root River. Around a two hour paddle.  
*Rain date Sept 24.*

**\$25 Boat Rental and Launch**  
**\$10 Launch Only**

Scan the QR Code or visit the library website for tickets.  
Tickets available at [RacineLibrary.info](http://RacineLibrary.info)

**RACINE PUBLIC LIBRARY**

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## Historic Photo Recreations & Our Official 125th Anniversary

On Sept. 9, 1897, the Racine Public Library opened its doors for the very first time. On Friday, Sept. 9, 2022, we will relive that day in celebration



of how far the library has come. Join us in the circle of Library Drive from 5-7 p.m. to be a part of this commemorative occasion.

Join us in the circle of Library Drive for outdoor storytimes with Miss Ali, Miss Keiko and Deputy Director Nick. We're unveiling the Techmobile with a ribbon-cutting ceremony featuring Executive Director Angie and Mayor Cory Mason at 5:30 p.m. After that, you can explore the inside of the new vehicle, help bring some of the books and tech aboard and join us in recreating some historic photos.

As a memento to this great day in Racine's history, you can see here some of our favorite photos from the past 125 years. We hope you will join us in staging new versions of these photos and helping us make some brand-new memories.

Throughout the evening, we will sell library merchandise, hot dogs and walking tacos. Be sure to also shop from the craft and baked good vendors around the circle. See you there!



## More Ways to Build and Celebrate Literacy

### Banned Books Month

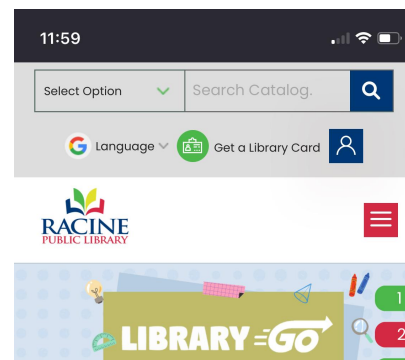
It's September, and that means the library is gearing up for #BannedBooksWeek. Throughout the month, we'll featuring commonly challenged books and keeping you informed about censorship efforts. We'll talk about the difference between banning and challenging a book, why books are so often challenged and why censorship is harmful.

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### Exploring The New Website

Now that our [new website](#) has been out for a few months, we're hoping you've all had a chance to explore the updated layout and get to know some of the site's new features. Here's a few of our favorite gems from the website in case you missed them:



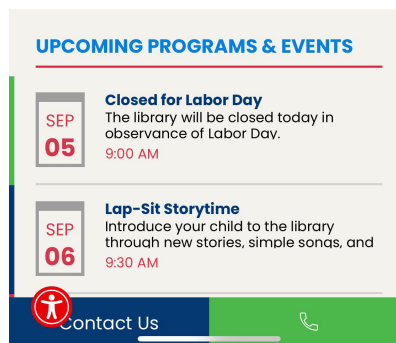


## Customizable Accessibility Settings

Click on the icon of the person on the bottom left of the screen, and it'll open up a menu where you can adjust the site's formatting for your needs and comfort.

## More Easily Searchable Catalog

The [updated calendar](#) comes with loads of filters and ways to list the library's events so you can more easily discover just the program you didn't know you were missing! You can filter by age range, language, location, and even interests like "arts and crafts" or "outdoor life."



## Stories on Our Blog

[Our blog](#) isn't just a place to share news about the library — it's also a growing repository of stories from community members and patrons. If you'd ever like to share a story of how the library has affected your life, we'd be happy to consider posting it! You can [share your story here](#).

## New Homepage for Friends of the Library

Did you notice that the Friends of the Racine Public Library got a new homepage? You can find it at [RacineLibrary.info/friends](#) to learn more about what the friends do and how to help them support and advocate for the library.

And that's just the tip of the iceberg! The new website is full of tips on how to get the most out of the library's services, info on resources you may not have known about, and ideas for ways you can get involved with our work.

Visit Website

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A graphic with a light blue grid background. At the top, the words "TECH HELP" are written in large, bold, green letters. Below this, in smaller blue text, it says "THE RACINE PUBLIC LIBRARY TECH TEAM PROVIDES HELP TO PATRONS WITH THEIR TECHNOLOGY NEEDS AND QUESTIONS." At the bottom left, there is a blue box with the text "SOME THINGS WE CAN HELP YOU WITH:" followed by a bulleted list: "Using the Library's ebook service", "Learn the basics of your apple or android device", and "Windows Basics". At the bottom right, there is a smartphone displaying the Racine Library website.



- Learn to use the Internet
- Office and Google Docs basics



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**ESPAÑOL**

**SI NECESITAS AYUDA DE TECNOLOGÍA, PUEDES PEDIR UNA CITA  
LLAMANDO AL NUMERO DE TELEFONO INDICADA O MANDA UN  
MENSAJE POR CORREO ELECTRONICO.**

**PREGUNTA POR BRIANNA O DEJA UN  
MENSAJE DE VOZ.**



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**Kids Hoodie**  
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**\$24.99**



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**\$45.90-\$49.90**

**\$14.99**



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**Cotton Drawstring Bag \$24.99**



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## Things to Do, People to See

### Another Year of Summer Reading on the Books!

Thank you to all the participants in our 2022 Summer Reading Program. You helped make it a great summer at the Racine Public Library. Together, we enjoyed ghost walks, ocean crafts, a giant block party and classic storytimes. Thanks for making it a summer to remember, and we hope you enjoyed yourselves as much as we did.



Winners of Summer Reading prizes will be pulled and announced next week. Kids who met their reading goals can stop by the Youth Services Desk for a completion certificate. Although summer reading is over, we hope you'll keep reading just as much throughout the rest of the year.

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### September and October Calendar

Never miss a thing at the Racine Public Library. There's always something exciting happening, from crafts to computer classes and history presentations to Pokémon Club. Take a look, and you're sure to find something fun to do.

Click here for the [digital calendar](#), or you can grab a physical copy from the library building or the Bookmobile.

### RACINE PUBLIC



September and October 2022



Storytimes, Programs, Resources and Events  
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## Storytimes are Back!

### Monday:

Closed for Labor Day

### Tuesday:

Lap-Sit Storytime | 9:30 a.m.

Tuesday Tales | 10 a.m.

### Wednesday:

Bedtime Stories | 6 p.m.

### Thursday:

Musical Family Storytime | 10 a.m.

### Friday:

Once Upon a Time | 5-7 p.m.



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## RUFF READERS

Snuggle and pet a therapy dog while practicing your reading skills at the ear of our gentle, non-judgmental canine friends. Sessions are open to kids grades K through 5 only. Bookings are 15 minutes for a single child and must be reserved a week in advance, one week at a time. Call the library's business office at (262) 636-9170 to get started.

9/12 - 12/1, MON.-THURS. (THE FIRST SESSION IS 9/12 - 10/20)

4-5 P.M. | THE MARTIN ROOM  
GRADES K-5 | REGISTRATION REQUIRED  
CALL 262) 636-9170 TO REGISTER



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## FREAKY FALL

Horror Book Discussions

READY FOR THE NEXT BATCH OF  
HORROR READS AND  
DISCUSSIONS? EXPLORE THREE



**HORRIFIC TITLES FROM SEPTEMBER THROUGH NOVEMBER, THEN MEET WITH OTHER READERS TO SHARE YOUR FAVORITE PARTS. WE'LL AUTOMATICALLY PLACE THE READING LIST ON HOLD FOR YOU WHEN YOU SIGN UP, SO YOU'LL NEED A LIBRARY CARD.**

**Wednesdays**  
**Sept. 28, Oct. 26 & Nov. 30 | 5:30 p.m.**  
**Lee Room | Adults Only**  
**Registration Required**



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**SENIOR DOMINOES SERIES**

Do you enjoy playing dominoes and are looking for someone to play with? Join us for a few sessions! We'll be trying games like chicken foot, Mexican train and more. We provide the space and the games, and you bring your company!

**AGE RANGE: SENIORS 55+**  
**AUGUST 11 @ 10:00 AM - 11:30 AM**

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**Adult Craft Take & Make Diamond Art**

Stop in to pick up a diamond art kit! These single day kits will help you make a small art piece made of miniature plastic gems that you can proudly display.

Room: Adult Services, 2nd Floor  
 Available for pick up Monday, Sept. 12  
 Age range: Adults  
 Registration is required.

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**SPONSORED BY TWIN DRAGONS GAMING**

**POKÉMON CLUB**

BATTLE, TRADE AND LEARN THE GAME OF POKÉMON. BRING YOUR OWN DECK OR BORROW ONE FROM US!

**SATURDAYS, AUG 13, SEPT 10 & OCT 8 | 11 AM**  
**GRADES 4-8 | LEE ROOM**

**RACINE PUBLIC LIBRARY**

**CHESS CLUB**

**WEDNESDAYS**  
**BI-WEEKLY**  
**STARTING APRIL 20**  
**5PM-7PM**  
**YOUTH SERVICES**

NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY  
 ALL AGES WELCOME  
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