



Racine Public Library

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Library Hours

Monday - Thursday, 9 a.m. - 8 p.m.

Friday & Saturday, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Banned Books Week

Now Celebrating Banned Books Week

Banned Books Week is an annual event celebrating our freedom to read, and at the Racine Public Library, we're celebrating for the entire month of September. It's no secret that there has been a deluge of book banning across the country, and with that has come unprecedented levels of attempts to ban books and other items from libraries and schools. Banned Books Week (or in our case, Banned Books Month) draws attention nationwide to the harms of censorship, with this year's theme being "[Books Unite Us. Censorship Divides Us.](#)"

Your library is proudly celebrating the value of free and open access to information this month with social media posts highlighting banned and challenged books, displays of banned books, and a clever video from our local history librarian, Rebecca, where staff members read passages from their favorite banned books.

The Racine Public Library Board of Trustees has also recently reaffirmed their support for the American Library Association's Freedom to Read and Freedom to View statements, which can be located on our website. The Board of Trustees, on behalf of the Library, will also be joining the [Unite Against Book Bans](#) campaign and heralding their support to stand together in the fight against censorship.

I invite you to pick up a banned book today to celebrate our freedom to read.



Occult, Religious Viewpoints and Violence

DO NOT READ



Religious Viewpoints, Violence and Sexually Explicit

DO NOT READ

Yours in Literacy,
Angela Zimmermann
Executive Director



Refers to Magic and Witchcraft, Contains Actual Curses and Spells

DO NOT READ



Nudity, Offensive Language and Religious Viewpoints

DO NOT READ



Anti-Ethnic, Anti-Family, Insensitivity, Offensive Language, Occult and Violence

DO NOT READ

Celebrating 125 Years

Thank You for the Birthday Wishes

Thank you for [celebrating 125 years with us](#) at our official birthday celebration on Sept. 9! It has truly been an honor and a privilege to serve the community of Racine. We're looking forward to writing our next chapter with you.



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Welcoming the Techmobile

The new Techmobile is finally here, and it's coming soon to schools, events and stops near you. If you'd like the Techmobile to come to your location or event, [send us the information here](#).

The Techmobile was generously funded by the Emily Lee Foundation,



in memory of Evelyn Zepp — a Racine resident and UW-Parkside emerita faculty member of French, Carla & Jim Wilks, Polaris Talent, Gateway Technical College, Johnson Financial Group, the Friends of the Racine Public Library, the Racine Public Library Foundation, O&H Danish Bakery, Carthage College, Twin Disc, Butter Buds Food Ingredients and dozens of other donors. Thank you for your support of our community's digital literacy.



The Bookmobile through the Years

It's taken a lot of vehicles to bring our [Library GO!](#) fleet to where it is today. How many of these former bookmobiles do you recognize from over the decades?



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Proclamation of Excellence

The Racine Public Library was presented with a wonderful surprise on the morning of Sept. 9, its official 125th anniversary. Representative Bob Wittke presented Executive Director Angie with a Proclamation of Excellence from the State of Wisconsin. Thank you to our awesome staff and patrons for making our library such a great place, and thank you to Wisconsin for honoring us with this proclamation!



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Coming Up Next: Murder Mystery Dinner Party

Dust off those flapper dresses and zoot suits — this dinner party is Gatsby-themed! This frightful whodunit will be an interactive theater performance hosted by The Murder Mystery Company. The evening kicks off with an hour of cocktails and appetizers while you



browse our silent auction. The show itself starts at 7 p.m. while you enjoy a mostaccioli dinner.

All proceeds benefit the Racine Public Library Foundation.



Purchase a Ticket
(\$50/person)

Purchase a Table (\$250/six
people)

This Week's Programs

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.

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September and October 2022



Storytimes, Programs, Resources and Events
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Racine Job Service

The Job Center of Wisconsin is at the library every Tuesday to help with:

- Resume writing
- Job searching
- Unemployment
- Interview prep
- Job Center website

Virtual workshops are also offered.

Sept. 20, 2022

9 to 11 a.m.

Sept. 27, 2022

9 to 11 a.m.

Oct. 4, 2022

9 to 11 a.m.

Oct. 11, 2022

9 to 11 a.m.

Every Tuesday

9 to 11 a.m.

JobCenterofWisconsin.com



Storytimes are Back!

Monday:

*Ruff Readers | 4 p.m.

Tuesday:

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

Tuesday Tales | 10 a.m.

*Ruff Readers | 4 p.m.

Wednesday:

*Ruff Readers | 4 p.m.

Bedtime Stories | 6 p.m.

Thursday:

Musical Family Storytime | 10 a.m.

*Ruff Readers | 4 p.m.

Friday:

*Ruff Readers | 4 p.m.

*Please call the library to book your slot.



Program Postponed: Tyrone Malone's "Life in Cabrini Green"

Tyrone Malone on Publishing His First Book: "Life in Cabrini Green," which was originally scheduled for Sept. 23 and 24, has been postponed. Watch our newsletters for an update when the new dates are announced.



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Spice it Up! Garlic Powder

Wednesday, Sept. 21
Racine Public Library, Second-Floor Staff Desk



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How to Get Started on Wills and Estate Planning

Everyone should have one, but they're one of the hardest documents to talk about. That's why Kelly Mould from Johnson Financial Group is here to make



Wednesday, September 21
6:00-8:00 PM | The Atrium
All Ages | Registration Required

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will preparation and estate planning relaxed and easy. Learn more about common probate, probate court, guardianship and simple estate planning. Kelly will be available to answer basic questions and give general advice after the workshop.

Thursday, Sep. 22 | 10:00 a.m.
The Atrium - 1st Floor Adults 55+
No Registration



*Radio in the 1950s:
From Golden Age to TV Age*

The ascension of television led many of radio's biggest stars and shows to migrate from their audio-only medium to the new audiovisual genres coming into being. Enjoy an audio-based presentation about radio's evolution as its Golden Age ended and a new age introduced news, talk shows, music and a new generation of comedy!

Thursday, Sep. 22 | 6:00 p.m.-7:30 p.m.
Zoom
Adults | Registration Required

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You are invited to

"There will be Pizza" Party

Thursday, Sep. 22 | 6:00 p.m.-7:30 p.m.
The Lee Room - Atrium, 1st Floor Teens |
Registration Required

THE DETAILS
We've got free food! Come eat pizza, meet other library-goers and hear about other events and activities you might enjoy.

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CARTHAGE COLLEGE PRESENTS

HEALTH SCREENINGS AND EDUCATION

FRIDAY, SEPT. 23RD
10:30 AM - 12:30 PM
THE ATRIUM - 1ST FLOOR

Carthage College nursing students are providing free health screenings and education at the library. Stop in to test your vision, blood pressure, blood sugar, ankle brachial index, body mass index and more.

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VIDEO GAME TOURNAMENT

JOIN US FOR A VIDEO GAME TOURNAMENT! THERE WILL BE TWO BRACKETS: EIGHT TO 12-YEAR-OLDS AND 13- TO 18-YEAR-OLDS. COMPETE TO THE TOP OF YOUR BRACKET TO WIN PRIZES (AND HONORARY RIGHTS).

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