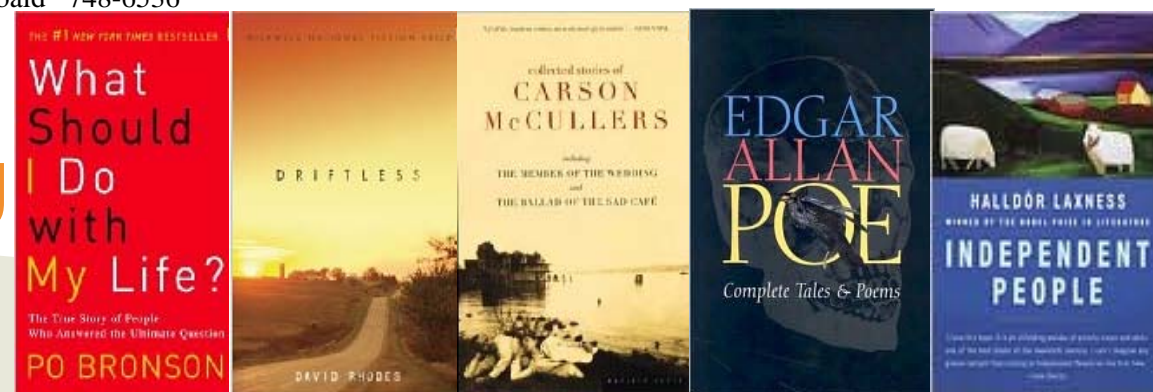


<u>DATE</u>	<u>BOOK</u>	<u>AUTHOR</u>	<u>REVIEWER</u>
September 8	<u>What Should I Do with My Life?</u> The true story of people who answered the Ultimate Questions. The author interviewed more than 50 people who finally found their passion after years in unfulfilled work.	Po Bronson	Carla Ortengren
November 10	<u>Driftless</u> <u>Driftless</u> was read on Chapter-A-Day on Wisconsin Public Radio this past spring. Rhodes is a Wisconsin author whose novel takes place in the driftless area in southwestern Wisconsin. It is a collage of stories, revolving around a large cast of characters whose lives intersect in various ways.	David Rhodes	Peggy Stalhiem
January 12	<u>The Ballad of the Sad Cafe</u> This is a novella that, like a ballad, tells the ultimately tragic tale of Miss Amelia. She falls in love with a hunchback, dwarflike stranger who convinces her that he is her cousin, Lyman, who is a trickster figure in this "grotesque" tale taking place in a nameless rural Georgia town.	Carson McCullers	Jim Elliot
March 10	<u>Tales of Edgar Allen Poe</u> Poe is well known for his tales of horror ("The Black Cat", "The Fall of the House of Usher" and "The Pit and the Pendulum"). He also wrote what would be the first detective stories ("The Murders in the Rue Morgue", "The Mystery of Marie Roget" and "The Purloined Letter") which Sir Arthur Conan Doyle would pattern his Sherlock Holmes stories after some 50 years later.	Edgar Allen Poe	Ron Shifler
May 12	<u>Independent People</u> This Nobel Prize winning author writes an epic novel about the struggles of poor Icelandic farmers in the early 20 th Century.	Halldor Laxness	Scott Stahlheim

Books available at the library please check with staff. All are welcome!! Group starts at 7:00 p.m at the Library. Questions: call Liz Archibald 748-6536

Library Reading Group



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Library Letter

FROM THE FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

Monelle's Missive

[*mis-sive* (mĭs'iv) n. A written message; a letter.]

Welcome to all new readers of our newsletter. First of all, I want to thank all those hard working individuals who donated their time to work at our successful July Garden Tour. Next, I want to thank the group who worked so diligently this summer to create a new outside landscape project at the library. It adds a whole new look. Anyone who took time to water the planters, pots, and shrubs deserve a pat on the back as well. Volunteers who donate precious Wisconsin summer time are to be commended.

Are you ready for another year of educational activities at the library? I truly hope so. The Friends of the Library Board met recently in a planning session to begin organizing upcoming activities for you. We'll begin

in October with our first book sale. A variety of items have already come in so there should be a large selection of books for you to choose from. Donations may be dropped off in the library foyer at any time.

Every year we offer free educational programs at the library. This year is no different. If you have any suggestions for future programs, please share those ideas with any board member. We would like to offer what the people want to hear. Our monthly meetings are open to the public and we would love to have you join us. We are always open to new ideas to make library improvements and support the library patrons.

Monelle Johnson



Reserve Your Space.....at the Book Sale

Your places are ready and waiting! The fall book sale is upon us and now is the time to remind everyone to clean out their personal libraries of used books, CDs, DVDs, etc. and bring the donations to the library prior to the sale. Good quality media are always appreciated. Volunteers would also be appreciated to work a few hours at the sale, setting-up or tear-down. Folks who can pre-sort the publications in categories are always welcome (hint hint). We would like to have two people in the room during the sale. Anyone willing to get rid of paper or plastic bags should also drop them off.

Tues., Oct 13, 9:30 - ?, Setup Wed., Oct 14, 3 - 7, Members only Sale Thurs, Oct 15, 9 - 7, Sale to Public
Fri., Oct 16, 9 - 7, Sale to Public Sat., Oct 17, 9 - Noon, Sale & Cleanup

To donate books, bags or media: Drop off at the library anytime prior to Wednesday. To donate your time: Contact any of the board members or the Book Sale Co-Chairs: Kristi Tlusty or Monelle Johnson (contact info below).

EVENTS PLANNING CALENDAR 2009 - 2010

September

Membership Meeting
Monday, September 28

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October

Membership Meeting
Monday, October 26

Book Sale
October 14 - 17

November

Harvest Day Parade,
November 1

Membership Meeting
Monday, November 23

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December

January 2010
Membership Meeting
Monday, January 25

February

Membership Meeting
Monday, February 22

March

Membership Meeting
Monday, March 29

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Storytime Fridays

Big & Little BEARS (Be Excited About Reading Stories)

From 10:30 - 11:00 in fall the library presents a 30 minute program that is designed for children. The program features picture books, songs, finger plays, puppets, and flannel boards. This fall's theme is Alphabet Soup.

DATE	LITTLE BEARS	BIG BEARS
	Big Conf. Rm 2 - 3 year-olds	Small Conf. Rm 4 - 5 year-olds
September 11	A	A
September 18	B	B
September 25	C	C
October 2	D	D
October 9	E	E
October 16	F	F
October 23	G	G
October 30	Harvest Days Event	Harvest Days Event
November 6	H	H
November 13	I	I
November 20	J	J
November 27	No Storytime	No Storytime
December 4	K	K
December 11	Storytime with Santa	Storytime with Santa

Storytime does not meet when Medford Public Schools are closed.

Garden Tour

Held on Saturday, July 11, the Garden Tour was a rousing success. Many thanks go out to Judy Mader and Ardis Meier (co-chairs) as well as the numerous people who volunteered their time, bakery and talents to help the day run as smoothly & effortlessly as possible.

Wendy & Rodney Dahl, Medford

Stone-edged perennial flower beds compliment the Dahl's yard. Hostas and ferns were nestled among the trees and building. A grape arbor and blueberries welcomed visitors to the garden.

Barb & Marc Thompson, Medford

Heirloom perennials surround buildings at this old farm homestead. Huge raspberry and vegetable gardens

as well compliment the Dahl's yard. Hostas and ferns were nestled among the trees and building. A grape arbor and blueberries welcomed visitors to the garden.

Marilyn & Evelyn Reimann, Medford

Groomed perennial beds with beautiful columbines and annuals grace the homestead. Lush landscapes and vegetable gardens are feasts for the eyes.

Stacy & Leo Resudek, Rib Lake

Formal gardens, unique topiary shrubs, elegant statues and fountains grace this landscape. Roses and Japanese gardens compliment the scene.

Arnita & David Elleman, Rib Lake

Water features, perennial beds, walkways, hanging baskets and pots compete for favor in this enjoyable backdrop.



Growing Ideas Outside the Library

What started out as a modest project to put dividers around the flower gardens grew into a major landscaping project recently at the Medford Library. Any recent visitor may have noticed the update to the exterior beautification that came as a direct result of the desire to keep down the weeding detail.

Muriel Isaacson initiated the update with concept to install permanent edging and identifying borders of the flower gardens. From there the project grew into several additional landscaping needs that were funded by numerous generous donations by the following:

- Melvin Companies offered to provide bricks and other materials at half price
- West Side Nursery offered plants & shrubs at half price
- Medford Farm & Home Center donated shrubs priced at \$420

- James Peterson & sons donated \$250
- An anonymous donor gave \$50
- The city provided some of the colored stone
- Dennis Christensen volunteered to remove the grass growing onto all of the sidewalks with his powered edger.
- Ron Isaacson volunteered to install the edging

FOL members Liz & Herb Archibald and Judy Mader, library director Ann Harris and professional landscaper Bruce Jochimsen shaped the plan that is now in the last stages of being implemented to the topography at the library. A more detailed report will be available at the next FOL meeting.

A WORD BETWEEN FRIENDS

I. C. 2. B. 3. D. 4. A

With the Book Sale in the next month, each of the words below are "saleable" words. Find the matching definition:

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|------------------------------------|---|
| 1. emporetic \ Em`po*ret"ic \ noun | A. Capable of being purchased |
| 2. pignorate \ Pig"nor*ate \ noun | B. Mortgaged or pawned |
| 3. nundinal \ Nun"di*nal \ noun | C. Relating to merchandise |
| 4. emptional \ Emp"tion*al \ noun | D. Of or pertaining to a fair, or to a market day |



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