



Happy New Year

January 2024 Newsletter

Retirement Announcement

Congratulations Joel!

The Karl Junginger Memorial Library cannot believe the time has come to give our congratulations to Joel Zibell. After 43 years of working for the Waterloo Public Library and Karl Junginger Memorial Library, Joel is retiring.



His last official day was January 2nd, 2024. Joel had many library positions throughout the years he worked for the library in Waterloo. He served as Library Director from September 15, 1980, through December 31, 1997. Joel put his heart and soul into helping make the Karl Junginger Memorial Library building come to fruition. The building was opened to the public on August 15, 1994. Without Joel, the KJM Library would not be what it is today.

With the library's greatest appreciation, we honor Joel Zibell of the Karl Junginger Memorial Library with recognition for his 43 years of outstanding commitment and dedicated service. We wish Joel the best in his next chapter.

If you would like to give Joel good wishes you may drop off a card or write a little note at the KJM library throughout January and we will make sure that he receives all of your wonderful words to him.

New Staff Members

Welcome Ashley!

Ashely is our new Adult Services Coordinator. She will be coordinating programs and events for adults. Ashley has two daughters and is excited to join our team!



Welcome Cheri!

Cheri is our new Librarian Assistant II. She will be a friendly face to help you at the front service desk. Cheri loves reading and is excited to be working in our library.



Winter Reading Program

Read MORE In 2024!

Our Winter Reading Challenges for all ages starts today!

You can sign up on the Beanstack App or stop in the library to pick up a paper copy at the front desk.

Get started here:

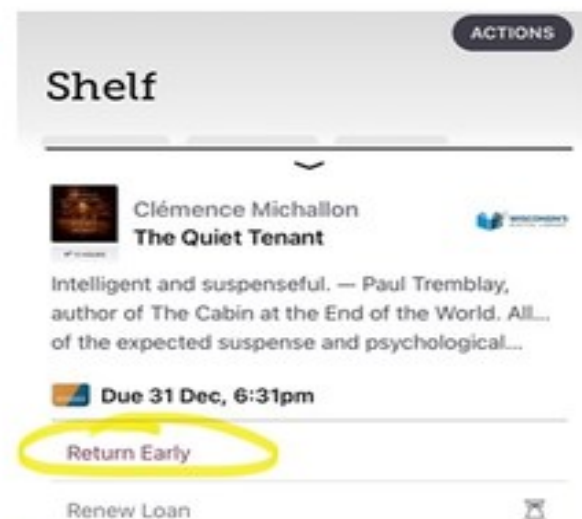
[How To Use Beanstack](#)



E-Resources

Returning Libby Items Early

Did you know you can return your e-books and audiobooks early on the Libby app? If you finish reading or listening to an item before the due date, on your Libby bookshelf simply click **Manage Loan** and **Return Early**. It's that simple! The next person in line will get to enjoy that item faster!



Libby Magazine & Udemy

The Bridges Library System no longer offers Gale Courses and access to Flipster Magazine. Libby offers magazines and Udemy offers on-demand learning opportunities. Both are available for free using your library card! Get started [here](#)



\$\$ Streaming \$\$

Save Money In The New Year!

Have you noticed increased streaming costs for 2024? Netflix, Hulu, Disney+, etc. - the cost has gone up! Save money in your 2024 budget by using your library card to check out the newest movies, tv series, video games, and more! Free!



Friends of KJM Library News

Happy New Year From The Friends!

It was a great turn out for Story Time With Santa! Kids (and adults) enjoyed his magic, songs, stories, and a scavenger hunt throughout the library. It was wonderful to see this event back at the library! Adult Craft Nights have also been very popular. Thank you all for a great year and supporting your library and the Friends of The Library Group!

Mark your calendars for our annual membership drive, **Golf The Library** on Saturday, February 17, 2024. More details coming soon! This event is a great opportunity to renew your Friends membership to continue supporting the library.





If you are interested in learning more about the Friends of KJM Library, please email us at kjmlfriends@gmail.com

Upcoming Events

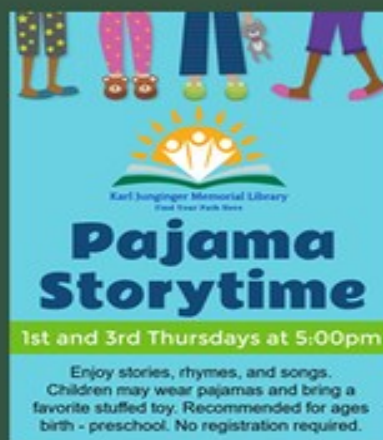


Early Literacy Storytime with Mrs. Amanda Mondays at 10:00am

Join us for stories, rhymes, and songs in the library community room. Drop-in! Recommended for ages preschool and younger.

Pajama Storytime with Mrs. Amanda 1st and 3rd Thursdays at 5:00pm

Join us for stories, rhymes, and songs in the library community room. Drop-in!
Recommended for ages preschool and younger.



Picture Scavenger Hunt January 3 - 6 During Open Hours

Find a list of snowman pictures hidden in the children's area of the library for a small prize. Drop-in!
Pictures are re-hidden each day.





Child Activity Bags available beginning January 8

These bags have craft materials with directions for youth to enjoy creating at home. Activity bags are available at the library front desk for pick up while supplies last.

Teen Take & Makes available beginning January 8

These bags have craft materials with directions for teen to enjoy creating at home. Activity bags are available at the library front desk for pick up while supplies last.



Needle Crafters Tuesdays at 10:00am

All skill levels welcome. Bring your projects and enjoy crafting with a group of people.



Teen Book Club

January 11 at 4:00pm

Have the month's book read before attending the discussion.

Teens can join the book club any month that they are interested. Copies of the titles are available in the Teen area of the library and through Hoopla or OverDrive.

Recommended for ages 13 - 18.

Cook The Book January 11 at 6:00pm

Join us for a fun twist on a recipe exchange. This month's theme - Italian food! Choose a recipe from a designated cook book on display at the library. Take a copy of that recipe home - make it and bring to the library on January 11. No registration required, stop in the library to choose your recipe.



Homeschool Silent Fridays January 12 at 10:00am

Homeschool families are invited to immerse themselves in using American Sign Language (ASL) while painting with watercolors. Beginners are welcome!



Running Waters Library Memory Project



Memory Cafe

Tuesday, January 16 1:00pm

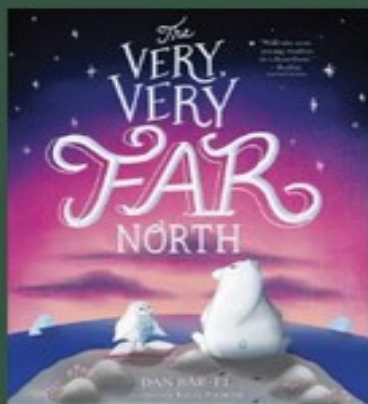
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Theme: Winter Gardens
We will be creating Winter Tea Cup Fairy Gardens

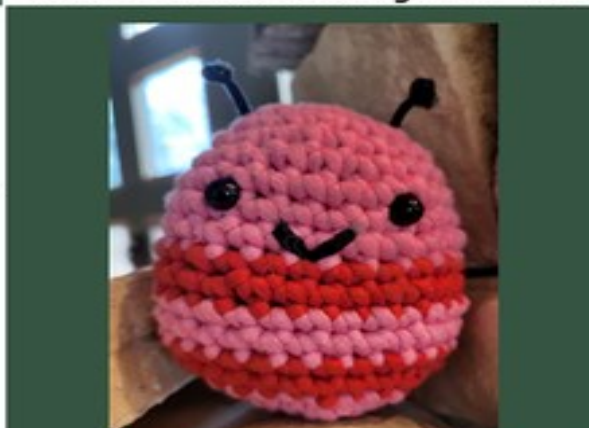
Contact Paula to register or for more information (920) 478-3344

Memory Cafés are informal social gatherings for those who have early-stage Alzheimer's disease, or memory loss, and their care partner.



Adult Craft Night January 18 at 6:00pm

We will be learning to crochet a love bug bee or coaster. Choose your project at sign up. The cost of this program is \$5.00. Brought to you by the Friends of KJM Library. Registration required. Sign up [here](#)



Memory Cafe January 16 at 1:00pm

A Memory Cafe is an informal social gathering for those who have early stage Alzheimer's disease or memory loss and their care partner. We will be making winter tea cup fairy gardens. To register please call Paula (920) 478-3344

Kids Book Club January 16 at 4:00pm

Kids can join the book club any month that they are interested. Copies of the titles are available in the children's area of the library and through Hoopla or OverDrive. Recommended for ages 8 – 10.



Adult Card Making Night January 22 at 6:00pm

We will be creating a desk calendar. Registration required. Sign up [here](#)

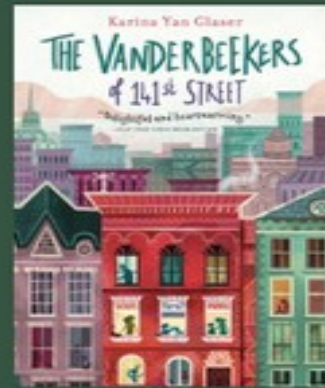
Retirees' Club January 23 at 1:00pm

This group meets on the fourth Tuesday of each month. Learn to play a new game!



Tween Book Club January 23 at 4:00pm

Tween (Middle Schoolers) can join the book club any month that they are interested. Copies of the titles are available in the children's area of the library and through Hoopla or OverDrive.



Recommended for ages 11 – 13.

S.T.E.A.M Homeschool at 2:00pm After school at 4:00pm

S.T.E.A.M. stands for Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Math. Drop-in each month for a new STEAM project!



December 18 January 29
February 26 March 25

Homeschool 2:00pm
Afterschool 4:00pm

A new science, technology, engineering, art, or math project each month! Drop-in.

(Recommended for ages 6 and older)

**January project will be
Balloon Poppers and more!**

Have questions? Contact us!

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WINTER READING

JANUARY 3 – FEBRUARY 29 2024

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front desk. Prizes for ALL AGES!**



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