

The Reading Corner

Tax Forms

Federal Forms will be received in December and should be available beginning December 26. The Wisconsin Forms will be shipped to the library the beginning of January. In an attempt to reduce paper copies both the IRS and the Wisconsin Department of Revenue are encouraging taxpayers to use the online forms to file taxes.

Wisconsin E-file - its Free!

Each year, more Wisconsin taxpayers are filing their income tax returns electronically using the department's e-file application called *Wisconsin e-file*. This application is **free**, secure and accurate. Plus, taxpayers can get their refunds within days with direct deposit. *Wisconsin e-file* is available at http://www.revenue.wi.gov/wi_efile/index.html

Online Forms

You can access Wisconsin tax forms online at <http://www.revenue.wi.gov/html/formpub.html>. The Federal forms are available at <http://www.irs.gov/formspubs/> Links are provide on the library's website.

Novelist



Are you on a hold list for the newest best-seller and need something to read while you wait?

Maybe you are looking for more books by your favorite author, or want to explore similar authors?

Not sure of the next book in the series you're reading?

Or maybe you found a book you love and now want more like it.

Use NoveList to find book reviews, recommended reads, books in a series, and more! It's a great resource for finding your next favorite book.

From the library's website go to [infosoup](http://infosoup.org) or directly to infosoup.org and click on NoveList. Your library card number and PIN are required from outside the library. NoveList is made possible through BadgerLink.

Monday	9-6
Tuesday	9-6
Wednesday	9-6
Thursday	9-6
Friday	9-5
Saturday	9-12
Sunday	Closed

The library will be closed :
December 24, 26, & 31, 2011
and January 2, 2012



Happy Holidays
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Text Message Notifications - Coming Soon

Shoutbomb is a text messaging service that will keep you up-to-date with your library account on your mobile phone.

- Receive text notices about items available to pick up, items due soon, overdue items and fines.
- Send a text to request a renewal and receive a text back with the result of your request.
- Send an ISBN to check whether a book is on the shelf at a nearby InfoSoup library.

Watch the library's website for more information on how to sign up.

Patrick's Review Corner

By Patrick Vaille, Village Administrator

"Explosive Eighteen" by Janet Evanovich

Another Stephanie Plum novel. This one isn't as funny as "Smokin' Seventeen", which wasn't as funny as all the previous books in the series. Humor is an individual thing, but I used to laugh when reading about Stephanie Plum. In "Seventeen" I only laughed once, and in "Eighteen" I didn't laugh at all. There were a few smiles and a chuckle or two, but that's it. When a new book in the series came out, I would read it in one sitting. Now I only made the first two chapters, then I put it down. Part of the lack of appeal for me has to do with Lula. When she was a background character, her occasional antics were humorous. Now she has become a central figure and those same antics over and over just aren't funny anymore. Her bad "habits" have become downright annoying. I was hoping for character development in this book, but that didn't happen. Ranger and Morrelli have both stopped being macho. Stephanie has become promiscuous, much like her sworn enemy Joyce. The characters have become tiring rather than richly developing. "Explosive Eighteen" had received a lot of press about it being filled with international intrigue and Stephanie's Hawaiian vacation. Little could be farther from the truth. One small paragraph about Hawaii with no details, funny or otherwise. International intrigue?? You'll have to read the book to see for yourself. Has the Stephanie Plum character run out of steam? I hope not, but I won't be biting my nails waiting for "Nineteen".

Best Books of the Decade

Still looking for a gift this holiday season? Why not try one of the best books of the decade.

The Kite Runner by Khaled Hosseini

Water for Elephants by Sara Gruen

The Road by Cormac McCarthy

What is the What by Dave Eggers

The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-time by Mark Haddon

The Thirteenth Tale by Diane Setterfield

The Time Traveler's Wife by Audrey Niffenegger

Middlesex by Jeffrey Eugenides

Harry Potter and the Half-Blood Prince by J.K. Rowling



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The Administrator's Book Column Some of my favorite Christmas Books

Inspirational:

"The Christmas Box" by Richard Paul Evans

"Christmas Jars" by Jason F. Wright

"The Seventeen Second Miracle" by Jason F. Wright

"The Christmas Shoes" by Donna VanLiere

"Epiphany" by Paul McCuster

Food related:

"Candy Cane Murder" by Joanne Fluke

"Sweet Revenge" by Diane Mott Davidson

"Plum Pudding Murder" by Joanne Fluke

"Sugar and Spice" by Joanne Fluke

Humorous:

"Visions of Sugar Plums" by Janet Evanovich

"Deck the Halls" by Carol Higgins Clark and Mary Higgins Clark

"The Shepherd, the Angel, and Walter the Christmas Miracle Dog" by Dave Berry

"Santa Cruise: A Holiday Mystery at Sea" by Carol Higgins Clark and Mary Higgins Clark

"E is for Evidence" by Sue Grafton

Drama/Mystery:

"Skipping Christmas" by John Grisham

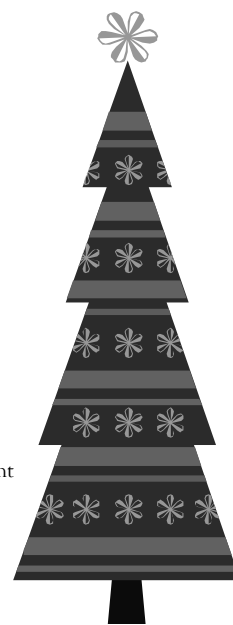
"An Angel's Touch" by Heather Graham

"The Christmas Train" by David Baldacci

"He Sees You When You're Sleeping" by Mary Higgins Clark

"A Christmas Beginning" by Anne Perry

"A Crossword's Holiday" by Nero Blank



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