

Black River Falls Public Library



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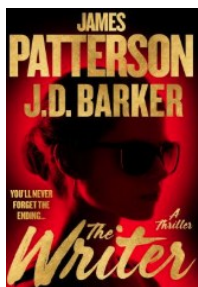


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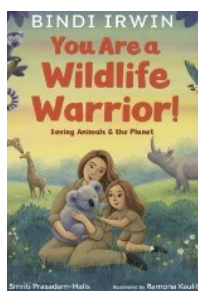
Staff Picks

from *Cara Hart, Director*

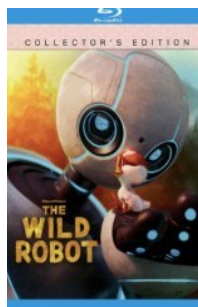


Happy Spring! Beginning in May, Winding Rivers Library System will be changing how item holds are filled. All Winding River Library System libraries will be filling their local holds first. What this means is that new items at Black River Falls Public Library with holds on them will go to Black River Falls patrons first, before being sent out to other libraries.

from *Melody Gesicki, Youth Services*

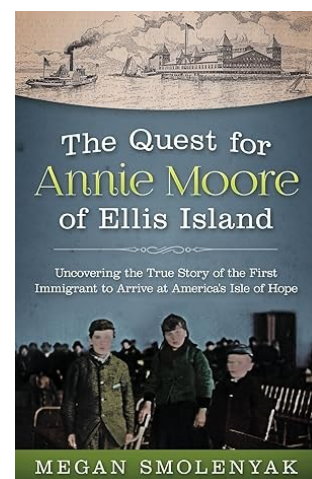


May will find Youth Services visiting Red Creek Elementary & Lincoln Elementary to share upcoming summer programming. Melody will also be at Family Night-BRF and the Wellness Extravaganza. In June look for Melody at Lincoln Child Development Days. The *Summer Reading Program* begins June 23. On June 26 at 2:30 p.m., J & R Aquatic Rescue will share some of the cool animals they currently have. Don't forget to come in, check out our new reading display and sign your beginning reader up for our new program, *300 Books by Third Grade*.



from *Mary Woods, Historian*

I'm not one to promote a certain book, but this is the exception! I just read Megan Smolenyak's recently published book, *The Quest for Annie Moore of Ellis Island*, and I highly recommend it to you! On January 1, 1892, Annie Moore of Ireland tripped into the pages of history and became the poster child of immigration by being the first to arrive at Ellis Island. She's since been immortalized on stage and in music, museums, books, and of course, pub names. Statues of her adorn Ellis Island where she stands as a symbol of the American Dream and at the Cobh Heritage Centre in Cork, Ireland where she represents millions who have emigrated over the centuries and scattered their gifts around the globe. And yet, we got her story completely wrong.



Check us out on Facebook!



Megan Smolenyak is the determined sleuth who discovered this case of historical identity theft and devoted years to figuring out how it happened, finding the true Annie, and unveiling what her life was really like. Follow along as the author parks you on her shoulder and unravels the mystery of Ellis Island's first. History buffs, genealogists, and mystery enthusiasts will enjoy the ride, as will those interested in immigration and tales of the long overlooked. The book will be available soon in our library! I'd love to hear your comments. Happy Spring!

Library Programming

May 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
4	5 9:30am TOPS Meeting 10am Monday Morning Book Club Meeting	6	7	1 8	2 9	3 10 10am Tech Day @ the Library: Online Security (Register by calling 715-284-4112.)
11	12 9:30am TOPS Meeting	13 9am –12pm Housing Assistance -Western Dairyland 9:30am-12:30pm Free Civil Legal Aid: Legal Action of Wisconsin 2pm Wednesday Readers Book Club Meeting	14 12pm Green Book Club Meeting	15	16	17
18	19 9:30am TOPS Club Meeting 3:30pm Riveting Reads Book Club 4:30pm Friends of the Library Meeting	20 4pm Library Board Meeting	21	22	23	24 Library Closed
25	26 Library Closed	27	28	29	30	31

*Photo Exhibit @ the Library, May 3-28, 2025

June 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2 9:30am TOPS Meeting 10am Monday Morning Book Club Meeting 5pm Elder Abuse Awareness Presentation	3	4 10am Memory Café @ the Library	5	6	7
8	9 9:30am TOPS Meeting 9am-1pm Friends of the Library Pop-up Book Sale	10 9am –12pm Housing Assistance -Western Dairyland 9:30am-12:30pm Free Civil Legal Aid: Legal Action of Wisconsin 2pm Wednesday Readers Book Club Meeting	11	12	13	14
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*Adult & Children's Summer Reading Program: June 23 through August 15, 2025.

*Homemakers Cultural Art Display: June 3 through June 30, 2025.

*Programming dates/times are subject to change.

*Visit the Library's website and Facebook page for details and updates.