



Friends of Lakes  
Regional Library, Inc.  
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**MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION/RENEWAL  
FRIENDS OF LAKES REGIONAL LIBRARY**

Check One  New  Renewal

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Use my alternative address from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_

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I would like to volunteer in the Nook. Please contact me. \_\_\_\_\_

I would like to help the Friends group. Please contact me if you need help with \_\_\_\_\_

Please mail application/renewal and check to:  Friends of Lakes Regional Library  
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Or drop off at the Library's main desk

Please check membership category:

<input type="checkbox"/> Student \$5	<input type="checkbox"/> Family \$25
<input type="checkbox"/> Individual \$10	<input type="checkbox"/> Lifetime \$250

TOTAL amount enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

This has been a very successful year for our Friends group. We had wonderful speakers at our meetings, a very profitable book sale and an enjoyable volunteer tea. We continue to support the library with purchasing supplies and sponsoring programs for both adults and youth.

I hope everyone has a wonderful summer. Come back next season recharged and ready to go. Our first meeting is Sept. 14.

Summer reading programs for youth, teens and adults have started. Check out the activities planned for the summer.

Remember to use Smile.Amazon.com when buying items from Amazon.

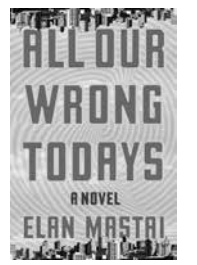
Happy Summer.

**Jane Ann Kennedy, President**

**BOOK DISCUSSION**

**All Our Wrong Todays by Elan Mastai  
Wednesday, June 13, 2018 at 2:00 PM**

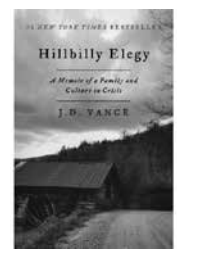
It's 2016, and in Tom Barren's world, technology has solved all of humanity's problems—there's no war, no poverty, no under-ripe avocados. Unfortunately, Tom isn't happy. He's lost the girl of his dreams. And what do you do when you're heartbroken and have a time machine? Something stupid. Filled with humor and heart and packed with insight, intelligence, and mind-bending invention, this is a powerful and moving story of life, loss, and love.



**Registration required, 533-4000 option #3**

**Hillbilly Elegy by J. D. Vance  
Wednesday, July 11, 2018 at 2:00 PM**

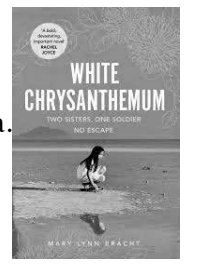
From a former marine and Yale Law School graduate, a probing look at the struggles of America's white working class through the author's own story of growing up in a poor Rust Belt town.



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**White Chrysanthemum by Mary Lynn Bracht  
Wednesday, August 15, 2018 at 2:00 PM**

*Korea, 1943.* Hana has lived her entire life under Japanese occupation. At 16, she saves her younger sister from a Japanese soldier and is captured and transported to Manchuria. She is forced to become a "comfort woman" in a Japanese military brothel.



*South Korea, 2011.* Emi has spent more than sixty years trying to forget the sacrifice her sister made. She has survived two wars and the loss of her family, and must acknowledge her past in order to find peace. This is a story of love and resilience in the face of the brutal reality of war.

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**MESSAGE FROM THE BRANCH MANAGER**

Hello, Friends! This spring, the Lee County Library System partnered with Lee County Solid Waste, Lee County Parks & Recreation, The Harry Chapin Food Bank, Waste Pro, and Fox4 on the Donated not Wasted Food Drive. A goal of collecting 2,000 pounds of donated food was set. I am excited and proud to say that the generosity of this community contributed to that goal being easily surpassed. A total of 3,771 pounds of food was donated. I look forward to the Library participating in more partnerships that benefit so many in our community. I encourage you to read in this issue of Friends Focus about the different Summer Reading Programs that the Library System is hosting. Sign-ups begin on Tuesday, May 29<sup>th</sup> and the programs run through Saturday, August 11<sup>th</sup>. There is something for everyone of every age! I know you are reading and using the library already, so why not participate in some additional summer fun?! Thanks for your support of these wonderful library programs and enjoy a safe and relaxing summer

**Carrie MacDonald, Branch Manager**

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Jane Ann Kennedy

**MEETINGS**

September thru May  
2<sup>nd</sup> Friday of the Month  
Lakes Regional Library

11:45 AM Meeting  
12:15 PM Lunch  
1:00 PM Guest Author

**WELCOME NEW MEMBERS**

Wilma Ames  
Louise Dillard  
Rita Librera  
Sharon Polkowski  
John & Joan Ureel

**SUMMER READING 2018 – ACTIVITIES FOR CHILDREN**

Submitted by Chrissie Bishop, Youth Services Senior Librarian

As another school year wraps up, the Youth Services department is busy preparing for our annual Summer Reading extravaganza! This year's theme is "Libraries Rock!" All summer long, from May 29<sup>th</sup> to August 11<sup>th</sup>, we're encouraging kids of all ages to rock on at the library! Babies and preschoolers will enjoy a full calendar of Family Storytime and Baby Rhyme Time in June and July. For children from kindergarten to fifth grade, we'll host weekly events each Thursday, featuring a reptile show, drumming, magic, art, music, and more. Kids of all ages can select a free prize book, while supplies last. We are incredibly thankful for the support that the Friends provide. This generous support enhances our programming, enabling us to host crowd-pleasing performers and to enrich the events we perform ourselves. Creating amazing experiences for children is so important to us. Your support helps us achieve this goal. We thank you and invite you to visit us this summer to see the excitement firsthand!



**SUMMER READING 2018 – ACTIVITIES FOR TEENS**

Submitted by Katy Higgs, Young Adult Librarian



As summer descends upon us, the Youth Services department is raising the tempo for our annual Summer Reading program for teens. This year's theme is "Libraries Rock!" All summer long, from May 29<sup>th</sup> through August 11<sup>th</sup>, we're getting teens from grades 6-12 to beat their own drum and join our band here at the library. Teens will enjoy a full calendar this summer where we will be offering programs that attune to their need for service hours. Each week on Thursdays we will host a service project program with themes such as "Be a Marvel" and "Stranger Things" that provide the community with items that are indispensable. Teens can also get their reading on when they choose a free prize book, while supplies last. We are jazzed by all the support that the Friends provided. The substantial amount of support that is provided allows for enriched programming and provides a harmonious collaboration between the Friends, the library, the community and of course our patrons! Being able to offer progressive programs that help our teens is incredibly powerful and appreciated. Your support goes a long way and we applaud and thank you! Please stop by and visit us this summer to see our teens in session.

**SUMMER READING PROGRAM BOOK BINGO FOR ADULTS**

This May 29 through August 11, the Lee County Library System and Lakes Regional Library want to remind our adult patrons that Libraries Rock, the theme of Summer Reading 2018. To help celebrate reading and libraries, we are offering Book Bingo for Adults. Different types of reading and library experiences are encouraged. Participants can win one book for getting BINGO (maximum of three Bingos per person). Completing the entire card gains an entry to the branch prize drawing. There is also an LCLS Grand prize. Please join us this summer to read books and to learn more about what the library has to offer. **Stop by the Information Desk for your Bingo card starting May 29<sup>th</sup>!**

**PROGRAMS AT THE LIBRARY**

**Craft Corner; Knitting, Crocheting, and Embroidery**

**Tuesdays, June 5, 19 & July 17 & August 7, 21, 2018 at 2:00 PM**

A casual self-guided group of knitters, crocheters, and embroiderers share ideas, techniques and patterns. Attendees should bring their own projects.

**Registration required, 533-4000 option #3**

**Coloring for Adults.**

**Tuesdays, June 12, 26 & July 10, 24 & August 14, 28, 2018 at 2:00 PM**

Come and experience the latest trend in relaxation, adult coloring books! Studies show coloring can have a calming effect on the adult mind and helps promote overall wellness. Coloring pages designed especially for adults as well as colored pencils will be provided.

**Registration required, 533-4000 option #3**

**Download Drop-In**

**Wednesdays, June 20 & July 18 & August 22, 2018**

Did you know you can download books, magazines, music, and other library content from our online library? Bring your app-enabled, fully-charged e-reader or tablet, and we will show you how to use Libby, Hoopla, and other library apps. Please make sure your library card registration is up-to-date and that you know your PIN. If you are going to be using Kindle books, you must have your Amazon/Kindle user name and password. If you are using an Apple device, you must have your Apple store password.

This is a drop-in program. No registration is required. Attendees will be helped on a first come, first served basis.

\*\*\*Please note that you may stop by the Information Desk at any time for one-on-one help with your e-reader. You do not need to wait for a class.\*\*\*

**ENGLISH CAFÉ**

**Mondays, June 4, 11, 25, July 9, 16, 23, and August 6, 13, 20, 27, 2018 at 6:00 PM**  
Conference Room B

The 90-minute sessions provide adult learners an opportunity to practice speaking English with Native speakers. Topics include everyday situations, current events, and cultural areas. English Café is offered several times each week at locations throughout Lee County.

**Participants may start at any time. Advance registration is not necessary.**

**NEW STAFF MEMBER**



Lakes Regional Library is pleased to introduce everyone to Samantha Burkett. Samantha joined the Lakes Regional Library team as a Library Assistant on April 26th. Before coming to Lakes Regional, she worked at the Riverdale Branch Library which is also part of the Lee County Library System. Samantha started there as a volunteer looking to earn service learning hours while in college. In 2013, she became a part-time Library Page and later on became a full time Library Assistant. While in college, Samantha studied biology. Her favorite project while there involved monitoring Burrowing Owls and Gopher Tortoises in Cape Coral. She love talking about wildlife. Samantha grew up in Lee County and has a nine month old puppy and a cat who love to play together. She is enjoying being in a new, larger library and looks forward to getting to know everyone here! Stop by the Registration Desk and say Hello!

**BOOK REVIEW**

**Dragon Factory**  
By Jonathan Maberry



Spy thrillers are more popular than ever, and a relative newcomer to the genre is Jonathan Maberry. Maberry comes from an extensive horror and comic-book writing background, and these influences show through in his espionage fiction. He incorporates fantastical elements which tones down the realism but amps up the fun. *Dragon Factory* is book two in the Joe Ledger series, but you won't be confused reading these books out of order because the adventures are stand-alone. Captain Joe Ledger is a former Army Ranger and Baltimore police detective who now works for a clandestine government agency known as the Department of Military Sciences. The DMS investigates technologically advanced threats to the US and in this scenario they're fighting a terrorist group that uses genetically enhanced mercenary armies and trans-genetic creatures. Like all the Joe Ledger books, *Dragon Factory* is fast paced, full of action and true to the word thriller.

Submitted by **Patrick Carlin**

**DISPLAY CASE**

Don't forget to check out the Friends Display Case across from the Nook. We plan to have a new interesting display every month.