

Lit Wits Book Club

Tuesday, May 23 at 6:30 PM

Rm. 12/14, Baraboo Civic Center

124 2nd St., Baraboo

For its May meeting, the Lit Wits Book Club will discuss the book *The Ride of Her Life: The true story of a woman, her horse, and their last chance journey across America* by Elizabeth Letts.



"In 1954, Annie Wilkins, a sixty-three-year-old farmer from Maine, embarked on an impossible journey. She had no relatives left, she'd lost her family farm to back taxes, and her doctor had just given her two years to live--but only if she lived restfully. He offered her a spot in the county's charity home. Instead, she decided she wanted to see the Pacific Ocean just once before she died. She bought a cast-off brown gelding named Tarzan, donned men's dungarees, loaded up her horse, and headed out from Maine in mid-November, hoping to beat the snow. She had no map, no GPS, no phone. But she had her ex-racehorse, her faithful mutt, and her own unfailing belief that Americans would treat a stranger with kindness.

"Between 1954 and 1956, Annie, Tarzan, and her dog, Depeche Toi, journeyed more than 4,000 miles, through America's big cities and small towns, meeting ordinary people and celebrities --from Andrew Wyeth (who sketched Tarzan) to Art Linkletter and Groucho Marx. She received many offers--a permanent home at a riding stable in New Jersey, a job at a gas station in rural Kentucky, even a marriage proposal from a Wyoming rancher who loved animals as much as she did. As Annie trudged through blizzards, forded rivers, climbed mountains, and clung to the narrow shoulder as cars whipped by her at terrifying speeds, she captured the imagination of an apprehensive Cold War America. At a time when small towns were being bypassed by Eisenhower's brand-new interstate highway system, and the reach and impact of television was just beginning to be understood, Annie and her four-footed companions inspired an outpouring of neighborliness in a rapidly changing world." ~Goodreads.com

Please visit our website to sign up for our mailing list to receive meeting updates: <https://www.csmpl.org/lit-wits-book-club-23>

ADULT PROGRAMS MAY 2023



Highlights This Month

- Library Closure
- Baraboo Buds Garden Club - Pollinator Planting
- Tuesdays with Murder Book Club
- Readers Anonymous Book Club
- CANCELLED - Let's Talk Books at BASCO
- Lit Wits Book Club



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Library closures due to our move to the new library addition:

Saturday, April 29

Saturday, May 6

Saturday, May 13 through Sunday, June 4

During the long library closure, no services will be available and returns will not be accepted. Checked-out items will not be due during this period--any due date that would fall during this time will instead be June 12.

Ask a librarian if you need help suspending your holds or changing your pickup library location!

Baraboo Buds Garden Club - Planting for Pollinators

Tuesday, May 9 at 6:30 PM

**Rm. 12/14, Baraboo Civic Center
124 2nd St., Baraboo**

Baraboo Buds Garden Club is for all people interested in gardening in the Baraboo area.

In May, Donna Stine, the Eastern Wisconsin Apiary Inspector, will talk to the group about Wisconsin's Pollinator Protection Plan and how it relates to planting our gardens.

Please visit our website to sign up for our mailing list to receive meeting updates: <https://www.csmpl.org/baraboo-buds-garden-club-planting-pollinators>



Tuesdays with Murder Book Club

Tuesday, May 16 at 6:30 PM

**Rm. 12/14, Baraboo Civic Center
124 2nd St., Baraboo**

This book group is for anyone who enjoys reading mysteries. In May, the group will be reading books by Sharon Bolton (any of her series or standalone novels).

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Readers Anonymous Book Club

Thursday, May 18 at 6:30 PM

Devil's Lake State Park North Shore (weather permitting)

Or The Village Booksmith (rain location)

526 Oak St, Baraboo

At the May meeting, Readers Anonymous, the book club for Millennials, will discuss ***The Book Thief* by Marcus Zusak.**

"It is 1939. Nazi Germany. The country is holding its breath. Death has never been busier, and will be busier still.

"By her brother's graveside, Liesel's life is changed when she picks up a single object, partially hidden in the snow. It is *The Gravedigger's Handbook*, left behind there by accident, and it is her first act of book thievery. So begins a love affair with books and words, as Liesel, with the help of her accordion-playing foster father, learns to read. Soon she is stealing books from Nazi book-burnings, the mayor's wife's library, wherever there are books to be found.

"But these are dangerous times. When Liesel's foster family hides a Jew in their basement, Liesel's world is both opened up, and closed down.

"In superbly crafted writing that burns with intensity, award-winning author Markus Zusak has given us one of the most enduring stories of our time." ~Goodreads.com

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Let's Talk Books at BASCO

CANCELLED this month - check us out in June!

Let's Talk Books at BASCO is a new monthly time to discuss the books we've read and learn about new books coming out. We normally meet on the third Friday each month at 10:15 AM, but unfortunately, due to the library closure and move to our new addition, we won't be able to meet in May. We will be back June 16! People should come ready to chat about the books they've loved and hated and give recommendations. Coffee and snacks will be provided.

