

Orange City Public Library
Newsletter
August 2023



Library Hours: Monday, Tuesday, & Thursday 9:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.; Wednesday & Friday 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.; Saturday 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

No-contact pickup is available upon request. Please contact the library for more details.

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Youth

1,000 BOOKS BEFORE KINDERGARTEN GRADUATION CEREMONY



If your child has completed this fun, self-paced program, join us for the graduation ceremony. Please RSVP by Friday, August 18 for the graduation ceremony on Tuesday, August 29 at 6:30pm. To reserve your spot, call the library at 712-707-4302 or email Phyllis at pvangelder@orangecitylibrary.org.

Research has shown that reading to children from birth significantly correlates to academic success later in life. The 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten program aims to assist parents in the goal of reading to their children on a regular basis.

For every 100 books read, your child can come to the library for a sticker on their reading log. Once the 1,000 book goal is met, your child can join us for a graduation ceremony complete with stories, activities, a craft, and diploma!

If you are interested in signing your child up for the 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten program, please inquire at the library.

Family

DOG THERAPY WITH LIBBY KARSEN

Looking to feel more comfortable around dogs? Need a little extra love? Or do you just love dogs? Join us at our next dog therapy session!

Monday, August 14 from 4:00-5:00 p.m.

Arts on Central

Come visit us at Arts on Central on August 23, from 5 - 7 p.m. We will have a happy sunshine craft for you to create!



Adult



From Ashes To Hope

Join Sheryl and Melody Iatcu, from the Kairos Agency in Romania. Their home and agency is 30 miles from the Ukraine border. They will present a talk and answer questions about their involvement in rescuing and assisting many people fleeing the Ukraine.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 15
AT 6:30 PM
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ADULT READING CLUB

Ongoing - Log your personal reading on [READsquared](https://www.readsquared.com) or pick up a paper log at the library--each book counts as an entry into a monthly drawing for Chamber Bucks!

SIoux STITCHERS

The Sioux Stitchers meets on a monthly basis. Each month, there will be a presenter and a new skill will be taught. No experience necessary, all are welcome.

Tuesday, August 15 from 1:00-3:00 p.m. Held at Sioux Center Public Library.



**Our Fall season
brochure will arrive
with your August
utility mailing.
Registration opens on
August 21 and events
start on September 11!**

Staff Pick

With the purchase of the Oscar-winning 2022 adaption of All Quiet on the Western Front, the library now holds four adaptations of one story, and any of them would be worth your time.

First is the book, which was written in German by Erich Maria Remarque, and published in 1929. The English translation was quick to circulate – so quick, in fact, that the first film adaptation, in English, was released in 1930.

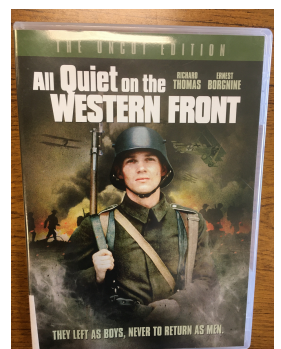
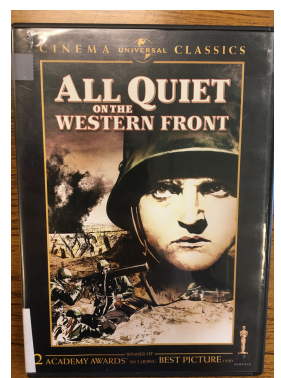
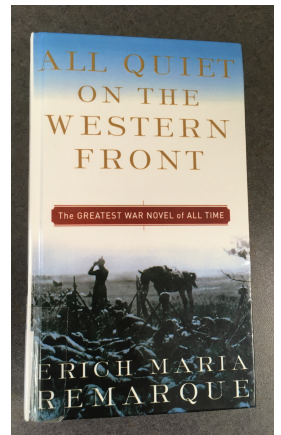
Think about that for a moment. If you are not familiar, All Quiet on the Western Front is a fictional exploration of the very real traumas experienced by soldiers in the First World War, as it follows several young German men and their experiences on the front. I use the term "First World War," but at the release of both the book and the first film adaptation, such a title would have been nonsensical—the Second World War was still a decade away.

The 1930 film adaption of All Quiet also won Academy Awards. Many real soldiers appear on screen, and some gruesome details in the battle sequences were included specifically from eyewitness testimony. The original film's cinematography holds up remarkably well, but its age is still apparent in a couple of ways. For one, the film is all in black-and-white. Secondly, this film was one of the first "talkies" – one of the first non-silent films. Ironically, this means that while the dialogue is audible, music is almost absent.

In 1979, ITC Entertainment decided it was time for a remake on this powerful story. In a joint British and American production venture, this rendition was released on TV. Similar to its predecessor and its successor, the 1979 rendition of All Quiet won several awards, including a Golden Globe and an Emmy.

For you history buffs out there who are interested in how people have grappled with the first world war in the media, I would recommend all adaptations of this story, but particularly the book and the 1930 adaption. There is something remarkable in the immediate proximity of these adaptations to the time period. If you are interested in early filmmaking, the 1930 adaption is well worth your time.

If you instead have an interest in engaging with this story in a way that will be more accessible, go ahead and place a reserve on the 1979 or 2022 adaption. I tend to favor the 1979 adaption because it is more faithful to the original plot points, but the 2022 adaption combines impressive modern filmmaking with the empathy required to bring this gruesome and important work to life once again. Additionally, it is important to note that the 2022 adaption is the first German-produced adaption since the book. Most reviewers recommend watching the 2022 adaption with subtitles, as the original actors speak in German, but don't let that deter you. The DVD includes a well-made "dub" with English-speaking actors performing over the visuals.



~Abby Sitzmann, Technical Services



Dear Readers,

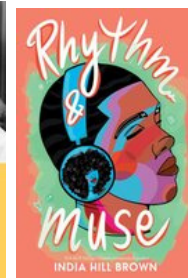
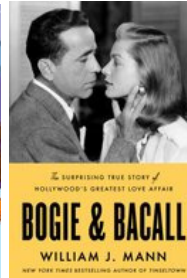
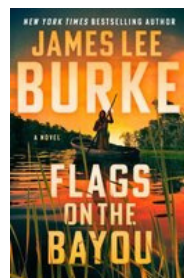
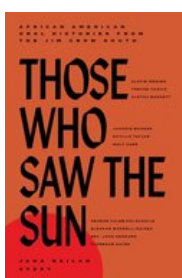
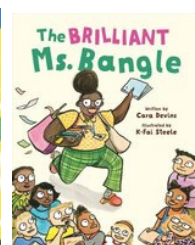
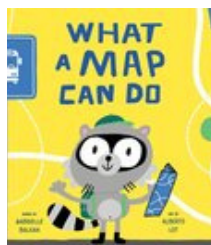
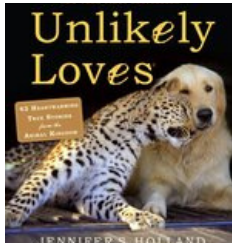
Here at the library, we have been thrilled with the turnout for our 2023 Summer Reading Program! Over the six weeks of our summer reading program, 787 readers logged 470,260 reading minutes. These readers earned 3,056 prizes overall! Besides reading, we had 17 volunteers helping us for 107 hours, and 1,299 people of all ages attended our 43 events!

We would like to extend a big thank you to everyone who made this program a success, especially our presenters and sponsors. We encourage you to keep visiting us and reading throughout the rest of the summer!

Peace be with you,
Lisa Johnson, MLIS

NEW BOOKS AT THE ORANGE CITY PUBLIC LIBRARY

Something
for everyone,
come check
us out.



SEPTEMBER PREVIEW



**Orange City Public Library will be closed
Monday, September 4, 2023 in
celebration of Labor Day. Remember to
stock up on books for the long weekend!**