



MPL Newsletter — June 2012

# Mercer public library

*We're almost there!*

## Groundbreaking Ceremony to be held 6/13

Over the last 3 years, thanks to the generosity of the Mercer community and visitors, the hard work of the Library's building committee and Friends of the Library, and the help of a Community Development Block Grant, the Mercer Library has nearly reached the goal of \$422,000 for the library expansion!

It's been an amazing few years, and it couldn't have happened without everyone's support. Your support will help the Mercer Public Library complete the much needed expansion.

On **Wednesday, June 13 at 1:30 pm**, the Mercer Public Library invites the town of Mercer and other library supporters to a **Groundbreaking Ceremony** for the Mercer Public Library.

Local and state representatives will be attending the event, and cake and refreshments will be served. Come and

celebrate the beginning of our library project with us! The public is welcome to attend the event, which will take place just previous to the "Dollar-a-Day Boys!" program.

Although we have achieved more than we thought we could in this short amount of time, we aren't quite finished with our fundraising yet. In conjunction with the Groundbreaking Ceremony, the Library will kick-off a **"Double your Donation"** challenge grant for \$20,000. For every dollar donated this summer, an equal amount will be contributed up to \$20,000. This grant is the final push towards the goal of completing the needed fundraising for the addition to the Mercer Public Library. Stay tuned for more information on this campaign, and on how you can help.

**We hope to see you here  
on June 13th!**



## "Dollar-a-Day Boys: A musical tribute to the Civilian Conservation Corps"



**Wednesday, June 13th at 2:00 p.m.**

This program will be held outdoors, so bring a blanket or lawn chair to sit on!

Over 3 million 17-25 year old young men across America enlisted in the Civilian Conservation Corps during The Great Depression. Since 1992, Bill Jamerson has interviewed hundreds of former CCC enrollees and used their stories in his documentary "Camp Forgotten," his novel *Big Shoulders*, and his CD of songs,

"Dollar-a-Day Boys."

Bill shares many of these stories about the men and the projects they completed across the country. The stories are sometimes hilarious and often heart warming.

In case of bad weather, the program will be held in the Mercer Community Center.

**This program is brought to you by the Friends of the Mercer Public Library.**

# New Books for June

Give us a call at (715)476-2366 or visit <http://mercer.wislib.org> to get on the hold list for these or any other library materials.



## **The Waters of Star Lake**

by Sara Rath

Longtime Mercer cabin owner Sara Rath follows her popular novel, *Star Lake Saloon and Housekeeping Cottages*, with *The Waters of Star Lake*.

This novel features the familiar setting of Star Lake, and tells the story of newly widowed Natalie Waters as she explores the solitude of the Northwoods, gets caught up in the Dillinger legends, and tries to understand why the local wolf population incites so much anger among her neighbors.

## **Other New Fiction**

*Home* by Toni Morrison  
*Sins of the Father* by Jeffrey Archer  
*Deadlocked* by Charlaine Harris  
*Proposal* by Mary Balogh  
*Wicked Business* by Janet Evanovich  
*Little Night* by Luanne Rice  
*Porch Lights* by Dorothea Frank  
*Tumbleweeds* by Leila Meacham  
*Heading out to wonderful* by Robert Goolrick  
*Red House* by Mark Haddon

## **New NonFiction**

*It Worked for Me* by Colin Powell  
*IRAs, 401(k)s, & Other Retirement Plans: Taking your Money Out* by Twila Slesnick  
*Binocular Highlights: Celestial sights for binocular users* by Gary Seronik  
*Help Your Kids with Science: a unique step-by-step visual guide* by DK Press

# June 2012 DVDs



## **The Dean Martin Variety Show**

This 'uncut' DVD captures all the great moments that made Dean Martin's show an NBC hit for nearly a decade.

One for the Money  
The Grey  
Chronicle  
The Vow  
Albert Nobbs  
Joyful Noise  
The Woman in Black  
Safe House  
Act of Valor  
Perfect Sense  
Sherlock Holmes:  
    Game of Shadows  
This Means War  
The Secret World of Arriety

# Mercer book club



## **Stones From the River** by Ursula Hegi

Ursula Hegi's book is a complex novel of life in Germany from 1915 to 1951, revealing the truth of living through unspeakable times.

The Book Club will discuss *Stones from the River* on Friday, July 6th at 1pm. New members are always welcome!

# Calendar of Events June 2012

Tues., June 5th at 8am: **Election Day Bake Sale** at the Mercer Town Hall.

Fri., June 8th at 1pm: Mercer Public Library **Book Club** reads "Unbroken" by Laura Hillenbrand.

Tues, June 12th at 1pm: **FREE cardmaking workshop** with Vicky Meier. Call to register.

Wed., June 13th at 1:30pm: **Challenge Kickoff and Groundbreaking**

Wed., June 13th at 2:00pm: "**Dollar A Day Boys**: a musical tribute to the Civilian Conservation Corps"

Wed., June 20th at 10:30am: "**Dreamtime Tales**" with storyteller Tracy Chipman. Kids ages 0 to 100 are welcome!

Mon, July 2 at 7:00pm: **Book Signing with Sara Rath**, author of "The Waters of Star Lake." Copies will be available for sale.

Wed, July 4: The library is **CLOSED**.

**Knitters' Group**: 1st and 3rd Thursdays at 1pm. New members welcome!

**Summer Reading Programs**: Every Wednesday at 10:30am, June 13-August 22. Kids of all ages welcome.

**Mercer Public Library**  
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Mercer, Wisconsin 54547  
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## **Library Hours:**

Monday—Thursday 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Saturday 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon; Closed Sunday

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