

THE LIBRARY PAGE

Demmer Memorial Library, Three Lakes, Wisconsin 54562



Connecting people to the TRANSFORMATIVE power of knowledge by providing opportunities to explore, learn, create, and share.



Get ready to relive the spine-tingling screams of the golden era of cinema this October! We've conjured up a "Spook Zone" right in our Northwoods Room. Immerse yourself in classic horror films such as *Attack of the Giant Leeches* (1959), *Nosferatu* (1922), *House on Haunted Hill* (1959), and *The Cat and the Canary* (1939). These eerie classics will be available for viewing whenever the library is open.

Brave souls who dare to step into the "Spook Zone" will discover a cozy chair and a set of headphones. You'll have full control over your audio experience, adjusting the volume with ease using the side knobs on your headphones. Sit back, relax, and enjoy the scare!

HOURS

MON/WED 9AM-7PM

TUES/THURS/FRI 9AM-5PM

SAT 9AM-2PM

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Three Lakes Genealogical Society



The Three Lakes Genealogical Society welcomes guests and new members regardless of their knowledge of their family's genealogy or how to do genealogy research. We are a group of beginners progressing to very advanced in our genealogical endeavors. Our members will help those researchers answer those hard-to-find genealogical questions. Call Nancy Bailey 715-479-8971 or email familyhistory@demmerlibrary.org for more information.

Next Meeting – Monday, October 23, at 1 pm in the Maple Room (lower level) of Demmer Memorial Library. The program is "Who Gets What?" Guests are always welcome

Book Club – At Home Reading for October – *Ancestor Trouble: A reckoning and a reconciliation* by Maud Newton. It is available on interlibrary loan, eAudiobook, eBook, and Kindle at Demmer Memorial Library. It is available on the shelf, on interlibrary loan, and eBook at Olson Memorial Library. **For November** – *The Ghost Army of World War II* by Rick Beyer and Elizabeth Sayles. It is available on interlibrary loan, eBook and Kindle at Demmer Memorial Library. It is available on interlibrary loan and eBook at Olson Memorial Library.

"We Are Three Lakes," a community-wide website featuring Three Lakes, Sugar Camp and Clearwater Lake, will have a table at Pumpkinfest in Three Lakes on Saturday, October 14. A project of the Three Lakes Genealogical Society, the website is designed to highlight families, businesses, resorts, schools, resorts of the Three Lakes area. Stop by the table to see how you can participate in this wonderful project. You can check it out at <http://3lgs.org/TNG/index.php>.

You are always welcome to attend our meetings. Maybe you will become a member of the Three Lakes Genealogical Society. You may contact us at familyhistory@demmerlibrary.org or call Nancy at 715-479-8971/815-543-7904.



Ask Your TLGS Genealogist

Do you need help with your genealogy research? Help is available at "Ask Your TLGS Genealogist." A TLGS member is in the Local History Room of Demmer Library every Thursday from 2-4 p.m. No appointments are necessary. Need help but can't make it on Thursdays? Email familyhistory@demmerlibrary.org or call Nancy at 715-479-8971.



Genealogy Tip

Expand the age ranges. As with names, you ancestor may have intentionally reported a different birth date or year, altering his/her recorded age. Common reasons for this include 1) needing to appear older for military enlistment or employment and 2) wanting to seem closer in age to spouse.

Source: findmypast.com

Books the Other Channel Book Club

Tuesday, October 24--6:30 PM

in person or via BlueJeans

Books the Other Channel book discussion group will discuss *The Haunting of Hill House* by Shirley Jackson on October 24 at 6:30 PM.

Meet in person at the library or join online via BlueJeans. Email demmer@demmerlibrary.org to receive sign-in information if you don't receive it directly from the organizer.

Each book for the group may be checked out at the Demmer. Everyone welcome!

To register call 715-546-3391 or email librarian@demmerlibrary.org





SCREAM MOVIE SERIES

Thursdays in October starting Oct. 12th

3:30pm

Demmer Maple Room

MOVIES IN THIS SERIES ARE RATED R

Question? Contact us at 715-546-3391 or email at demmer@demmerlibrary.org

EVENTS



Story Hour Demmer Library Tuesdays@ 10 am

Story Hour is 30 to 45 minutes of reading books, playing games, songs, and interactive fun.

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Harry Potter Club at the Demmer Library

Monday,
October 2nd

Games, crafts, trivia and more.....



Lego Club

Monday, October 9 @ 3:30 PM - 5:00 PM

@Demmer Maple Room. Lego Club is for children of all ages. Come and free build with your friends or play Lego Creationary.



Pokemon Club

Monday, October 16

3:15 pm

Demmer Maple Room

Join us as we talk about Pokemon and learn how to play the card game.



DUNGEONS AND DRAGONS CLUB

First and Third Sundays @ 6:00pm

in person at the Demmer Maple Room or virtual

Fight Dragons, Goblins, and more! Join us as we use Roll20 to virtually play D&D. Email librarian@demmerlibrary.org to get your invitation to our game.



TEEN LIBRARY COUNCIL

Youth Ages 12-18

Every 4th Monday starting:

Monday, October 23

Maple Room

4:00pm-5:00pm

- Make decisions about teen spaces, programs and books.
- Earn volunteer hours needed for graduation.
- Participation looks good on college and job applications.
- FOOD & FUN

Demmer Crafternoon

The 3rd Tuesday of each month

2:30pm

Demmer Library

This month we will make junk journals! Registration is required.



PUMPKIN FEST USED BOOK SALE

SAT. OCTOBER 14TH 2023

9:00AM-12PM



Monthly Writing Group

Second Thursday of the month starting

October 12th @ 1:00pm

Demmer Maple Room

Beginning writers as well as established authors are encouraged to attend, share writing projects, successes and help each other.



Flu Vaccine Clinic

Demmer Maple Room

Wednesday

October 4, 2023

2:00-3:00pm



Booking Ahead

High interest titles added to the catalog and released in October/November.

Give us a call to put your name on the list - (715) 546-3391



The List by Yomi Adegoke

Geneva by Richard Armitage

Wreck the Halls by Tessa Bailey

Overdue or Die by Allison Brook

The Intern by Michelle Campbell

Hold My Girl by Charlene Carr

The Secret by Lee Child

Midnight at the Christmas Bookshop by Jenny Colgan

Bloom by Delilah S. Dawson.

Dirty Thirty by Janet Evanovich, Janet

Shadowheart by Meg Gardiner

Love Interest by Clare Gilmore

The Exchange : After the Firm by John Grisham

The Oceans and the Stars by Mark Helprin

Paws to Remember by Sofie Kelly

What We Kept to Ourselves by Nancy Jooyoun Kim

The Burnout by Sophie Kinsella

My Darling Girl by Jennifer McMahon

Edenville by Sam Rebelein

Judgment Prey by John Sandford

Knock Knock, Open Wide by Neil Sharpson

A Winter in New York by Josie Silver

The Christmas Guest by Peter Swanson

The Refugee Ocean by Pauls Toutonghi

The Twelve Dogs of Christmas by Susan Wiggs



Historical Clippings

Three Lakes Museum

October 2023

Monico Junction

If you travelled this summer on 45 South from Three Lakes you encountered the highway construction at the 8 and 45 intersection in Monico. If you were stopped in traffic you probably had time to look around more than usual and wonder, "What happened to Monico?" It's difficult to envision from the highway now, but when Monico was founded it was a busy, growing community.

As the Milwaukee Lake Shore and Western Railroad was making its way north to Three Lakes, trains were already in Monico, then referred to by some as Monico Junction. While in 1882 there were only railroad shanties, things change rapidly in 1883 as the Wisconsin Sulphite Fibre Company bought practically the whole town to build a factory.

During the height of the railroad boom, Monico Junction had 16 freight and eight passenger trains in and out per day.



railroad yards in Monico, early 1900's. Courtesy of Jeanette Pederson.



Scene on the west side of Monico. Courtesy of Kris Gilbertson.



Rich with the promise of becoming a center of rail commerce, the Wisconsin Sulphite and Fiber Company of Appleton had the village area platted and then built a large plant to debark pulpwood for shipment to the pulp mills in the Fox River Valley. In the fall of 1884 the company tore down the original plant and built a larger one with the intentions of adding a papermill, however when a disastrous fire swept through the operations in 1887 the dreams of the company and the citizens were wiped out. The company sold out their interests and moved away.

One of the largest employers to continue lending stability to the community was the Monico Excelsior Co. which started operations in 1908, continuing well into the 1920's, and then to the 1950's. The firm manufactured not only excelsior but cheese boxes, veneer and like products for the nation's packaging needs. Mostly birch, cedar, maple, spruce and balsam were used, plus of course, the ever-in-demand pine lumber! Gradually, with the end of the pine era and the decline in the agricultural potential during the drought and the depression years of the 1930's, this once thriving village gradually faded away with the final blow coming with the abandonment of the railroad in the 1980's.



Monico Junction in the late 1890s or early 1900s. Note the white sidewalks and the double tracks, incoming and outbound. Sidewalks are of white marble. Monico Junction at that time was slated to become the county seat of Forest County, but political gerrymandering gave it to Crandon. Photo courtesy of Gladys Flannery.



Hotel Northern, Monico. Courtesy of Kris Gilbertson.

Disaster plagued the community over the years, with fire heading the list. Early day fires wiped out several mills and sections of the village. Even as late as 1920 a fire roared through taking two stores, the post office, restaurant and seven or eight homes. Again, in 1923 the depot was leveled by fire.

