
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.

Dear Patrons,

February may be a winter month, but there's plenty of warmth and activity happening at the library. We're excited to offer a mix of fun, connection, and creativity to help brighten these colder days.

Join us for our Winter Games Wii Sports Competition, where friendly competition and lots of laughs are guaranteed. If you're looking for something a little more relaxed, our Soup and Social Hour is the perfect chance to enjoy good food and great conversation with neighbors. And for our crafty patrons, Hook and Needle Night continues to be a welcoming space to knit, crochet, stitch, and connect.

Whether you're stopping by to play, create, or simply spend time with others, we're glad to have you here. Thank you for making the library a place of community all year long.

—Jill Roth, Library Director

HOURS

MON/WED 9AM-7PM

TUES/THURS/FRI 9AM-5PM

SAT 9AM-2PM

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Three Lakes Genealogical Society



Is your family tree tangled and broken? The genealogy presentation on February 23rd will help you decide whether you can salvage your tree with a bit of pruning and care, or if it's time to chop it down and start fresh. Dottie Winger will briefly review your options and how to analyze your tree. A video from Connie Knox's Genealogy TV channel will help you make necessary repairs. Ancestry.com is used in the demonstration, but the concepts can be applied to all family trees.

Every Thursday from 2-4 p.m., in the Local History Room within the library, there is a TLGS member present to help anyone with investigating their family history. Everyone is welcome to come in and have a little one-on-one time with someone who could help. No scheduling required.

TLGS website: www.3lgs.org

TLGS email: familyhistory@demmer.org

We Are Three Lakes: <http://3lgs.org/TNG/index.php>

Three Lake Public Library Foundation



The Three Lakes Public Library Foundation is a non-profit, 501(c)3 corporation. The organization is governed by a board of directors comprised of volunteers dedicated to helping the community through the improvement of the library.

What we do:

- *Initiates funding and endowment opportunities*
- *Identifies and funds special projects and services*
- *Inspires community interest and involvement*



Purpose

The Foundation selectively supports positive, high quality activities such as adult and children's learning programs, public access computer hardware and software, special collections, library furnishings and continuing education for library staff.

Want to donate? Scan the QR code!



Friends of the Demmer Library

The Friends of the Demmer Library are looking for members to serve on their board. Letters of Interest should be dropped off at the Demmer Library c/o Friends.

The Friends of the Demmer Library is a volunteer organization that wants to promote knowledge & use of the library.

Our used book sale fund-raiser events are used to purchase needed equipment, materials, and support programs for the library.



Monthly Writing Group

TWO MEETINGS THIS MONTH!

Thursday, February 5th @ 1:00pm

Thursday, February 19th @ 1:00pm

Demmer Maple Room

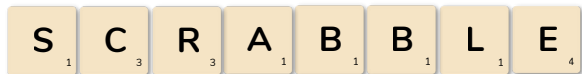
Beginning writers as well as established authors are encouraged to attend, share writing projects, successes, and help each other.



PROVIDING SUPPORT AND RESOURCES FOR OUR VETERANS.

POSTPONED

THIS EVENT IS POSTPONED UNTIL A NEW VETERANS SERVICE OFFICER IS APPOINTED.



Drop In Play

2nd & 4th

Thursdays

1 pm-3 pm

Demmer Fireplace

Area

How many of us miss playing a good game of Scrabble? Stop by the Demmer on the dates and times listed as we bring Scrabble players together.



Hook & Needle Nights

FOURTH MONDAY OF THE MONTH

5PM-7PM DEMMER FIREPLACE AREA

A social gathering for knitters, crocheters, and needle workers where people can share their projects, tips, patterns, and enjoy the company of fellow crafters.



Demmer Crafternoon

The 2nd Tuesday of each month

2:30pm

Demmer Libratory

Registration is required.



Story Hour Demmer Library Tuesdays@ 10 am

Story Hour is 30 to 45 minutes of stories, games, songs, and interactive fun.



Lego Club

Monday, February 9th 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.



TEEN LIBRARY COUNCIL **GRADES 6-12**

Every 3rd Monday :
Monday, January 19th
Maple Room
3:30-4:30

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

POKEMON **POP-UP PARTY**

CATCH THE FUN!



Date: Friday, February 6th
12pm-2pm
Where: Demmer Maple Room
Games, Crafts, More



BOOK BITES



More books, more bites!



SOUP AND SOCIAL HOUR

February 18th
5PM-6PM
DEMME NORTHWOODS ROOM

Bring a pot of soup or a loaf of bread to share and warm up with good company at the library.



WINTER SPORTS WII TOURNAMENT

Join us at the library for Wii fun
with Mario & Sonic!

From the opening ceremony to the final medals moment,
tell the librarian your best Ski Jump and/or Figure Skating
scores.



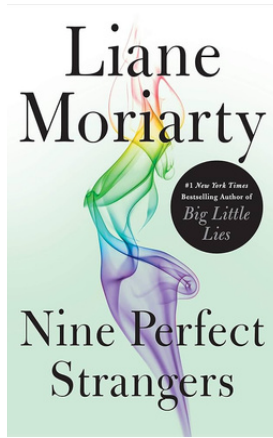
Open Call

"Public libraries are the heart and soul of any community. They are a place to read and think and browse and dream." – Mary McNear

The Three Lakes Public Library Foundation is seeking two community leaders to fill upcoming vacancies on its Board of Directors. The positions will be filled in June.

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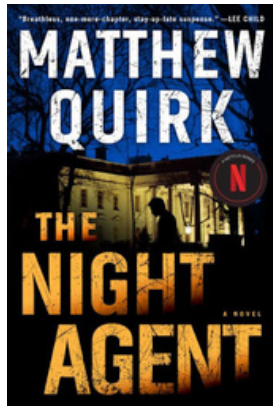
Want to learn more about the Foundation and how you can have an impact on its Board of Directors? Please contact any of our current Board members (listed on the library's website) for more information. If you have a desire to promote and support our library and its role in our community as a Foundation Board member, please drop off your Letter of Interest at the Demmer Library care of the Three Lakes Public Library Foundation (TLPLF). All letters of interest must be received no later than March 31st.



Mysteries unfold as a cast of characters clash. Currently available to stream on Hulu.



Popular TV Series and their books



An action packed thriller sure to keep you at the edge of your seat. Currently streaming on Netflix.



This frightful book turned Netflix series is sure to have you jumping out of your seat.



Books the Other Channel Book Club

Tuesday, February 24th--6:30 PM

in person or via Zoom

Books the Other Channel book discussion group will discuss Why We Read by Shannon Reed at 6:30 PM

Meet in person at the library or join online via Zoom. 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 is welcome!

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



Historical Clippings

Three Lakes Museum

February 2026

"The more things change, the more they stay the same"



"plus ça change, plus c'est la même chose"

French writer Jean-Baptiste Alphonse Karr, 1849

Small towns give rise to memories of a close-knit community. A slower pace. They are defined by familiar faces and the safety of knowing your neighbors. That in turn fosters a strong sense of belonging.

Despite time never stopping and a few physical changes, local traditions generally remain the same. This demonstrates that outward changes rarely disrupt our basic way of life.

Throughout the decades of the 1900's, this view of Superior Street, looking east from the Highway 45 and County A intersection, is pretty well documented (see Clippings June 2022). Dirt to pavement, small trees growing up at the edge of the curb, then gone. Gas street lights to electric. Phone lines. Signs marking familiar businesses and the buildings that house them. At the farthest point in this image above would be today's Shell Station at the curve.



This is the block between the School Streets, East and West. This view looking west has probably changed the least as far as structures go. Except of course the Oneida Village Inn is gone, but the OV with the Black Forest, the theater and the bank, anchored this stretch for years.



The businesses in this section of Superior Street, pictured here in the late 1950's, are not as well documented even through the 1990's. The image has you facing west. Today the farthest point seen in the road would be the Shell Station and Laundromat. Behind would be the cemetery and Maple Lake Dairy barn.

The images above were found in the Fireman's Picnic programs. An almost complete set can be viewed in the Museum Archives. What makes these programs so valuable is that the pages of local advertisers found in the back can help identify businesses and proprietors, even those forgotten, by date.



J. M. Adamovich Painting—Exterior and Interior Three Lakes Ph. 546-3621	G & R Fountain George and Ruth Musick Three Lakes, Wisconsin
Birch Trail Resort Whitefish Lake Three Lakes	Arthur Godleski Black Topping Three Lakes, Wisconsin
Norman Brewster Plumbing and Heating Three Lakes, Rt. 1 Ph. 546-2045	Walter J. Halverson Real Estate — Insurance Three Lakes, Wisconsin
R. Christensen Cottages Modern Housekeeping—Big Stone Lake Three Lakes Ph. 546-2032	Hamm's Resort Fred and Mae Hamm Housekeeping Cottages Three Lakes Ph. 546-3555
Cowing's Island Lake Resort Three Lakes, Wisconsin	Heart of the Woods Transfer Steve Wykowski Three Lakes, Wisconsin
Crandon Motor Co., Inc. Crandon, Wisconsin	3 Lakes Self-Service Launderette Three Lakes, Wisconsin 2 Blocks North of Town on Hwy. 45
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Tony Dominski Plumbing Engineer Three Lakes Ph. 546-2280	Idle Acres Modern Cottages Laurel Lake Ph. 546-2202 Three Lakes, Rt. 1
Drever Cranberry Co., Inc. Three Lakes, Wisconsin	Ingram Electric Wiring Contractor Three Lakes Ph. 546-3594
Compliments of Eagle Cleaners & Econ-O-Wash Eagle River, Wisconsin	Compliments of Jaeger Northland Bread
MOVING STORAGE Eagle River Transfer Co. Ted Wykowski	Jeske's Quality Live Bait Three Lakes, Wisconsin Dale and June Jeske
E. S. Electric E. J. Stepshinski Ph. 546-3642 Three Lakes	Harry's Beer Depot & Liquor Store Harry Jeske Three Lakes, Wisconsin
Esch's Sunset Bay Cottages Town Line Lake Ph. 546-3656 Three Lakes	Johnny's Dairy Bar Hy-Land Lakes Dairy Products Eagle River, Wisconsin
Evensen's Resort Town Line Lake 546-2230 Three Lakes	Kelso Landing Modern Trailer Park and Campsite Free Public Beach, Three Lakes, 546-3607
First National Bank Eagle River, Wisconsin Member F.D.I.C.	Mark Knutson Manager—Dorothy's Gift Shop Three Lakes, Wisconsin
Gaffney Funeral Home Eagle River, Wisconsin	Best Wishes Paradise Point Art & Betty Krumbiegel, Three Lakes
MIKE AINSWORTH — PLUMBER — THREE LAKES 546-3560	

Adam's Cabins Three Lakes, Wisconsin	Fred "Gy" Williams DESIGNER - BUILDER
Your Vacation Headquarters Is Mickey's Sport Shop Three Lakes	SPECIALIZING IN RUSTIC LOG CONSTRUCTION
Jim's DX Service TIRES — BATTERIES GREASING — WRECKER MECHANICAL SERVICE Jim Levandoski Three Lakes Ph. 546-3696	Lakeside Resort Three Lakes, Wisconsin Compliments of Dairy Queen Mr. & Mrs. Norman Schuettpelz Three Lakes
Swartz Office Equipment Co. Rhinelander, Wisconsin	R. Christensen Cottages Modern Housekeeping Big Stone Lake Ph. 546-2032 Three Lakes
Harry's Beer Depot & Liquor Store HARRY JESKE Three Lakes, Wisconsin	Compliments of Holprin's Super Valu Phone 145 Eagle River, Wisconsin
Nelson's Jewelry 41 W. Davenport Rhinelander, Wisconsin	Rhinelander Glass Company "If it's a problem in glass, it's a job for us." Rhinelander Ph. 362-5917
Three Lakes Theatre FAMILY ENTERTAINMENT Three Lakes, Wisconsin	Cowing's Island Lake Resort Three Lakes
HAVE FUN! Mrs. Edna Sharp Three Lakes, Wisconsin	Estes Woodland Shores 3 SEASON RESORT Three Lakes
Standard Oil Agency Art Stanzil—Agent Ph. 546-2284 Three Lakes	The Redwood House 2 MI. N. of 3 Lakes on Hwy. 45 For The Unusual GIFT Hallmark Cards — Choc. House Candy
Richmond Pharmacy Eagle River, Wisconsin	Tony Dominski PLUMBING ENGINEER Ph. 546-2280 Three Lakes, Wisconsin
A & P Food Store Eagle River, Wisconsin	Edgar Dobbs Plumbing & Septic Service Three Lakes, Wisconsin

The drawback is that there are no definite locations. Prior to fire numbers, Three Lakes had two mail routes. Rte 1 and Rte 2, thus all of the white arrow signs. So this is your chance to share stories and knowledge and put some more of those puzzle pieces together. We would love to know what you know about Superior Street or Three Lakes! Contact

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