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Black Earth News

The Village offices will be closed Monday, September 6th in observance of Labor Day.

Village Municipal Office

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Newsletter

Sept. 2021

ADOPT A PLANTER!

The Village has beautiful planters along Mills Street/Hwy. 78 that are beautified by Vermont Valley Greenhouse yearly and maintained by the Village Public Works crew.

The Village is looking for businesses or folks who would like to "Adopt a Planter" and keep them maintained throughout the summer. Your adoption would simply be watering them regularly.

Please contact the Village Office to adopt your planter today! 608-767-2563

COFFEE WITH A COP CANCELLED!!

With Public Health Officials reinstating the mask mandate, along with Dane County being listed as having a HIGH level of Community Transmission, the responsible thing to do is postpone the September Coffee With a Cop. The current mask order is in place until 9/16/21. If the mask order is extended, other events that fall within the mask order dates may be postponed as well.

10 DIGIT DIALING COMING!!

All Wisconsin residents will have to dial 10 digits to make local calls starting on October 24, 2021 according to the FCC. The change is a result of an FCC order creating a three-digit dialing code to be used to reach the [national suicide prevention and mental health crisis hotline](#), known as the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline. All telecommunications carriers, interconnected Voice over Internet Protocol (VoIP) providers and one-way VoIP providers are required to make any necessary network changes by July 16, 2022 so that 988 can be dialed to reach the existing hotline (1-800-273-8255).

THE LIBRARY IS OPEN!!!

Monday - Thursday: 10 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. Friday: 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Saturday: 10 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Labor Day Closure

The library will be closed from Saturday, September 4 through Monday, September 6 for Labor Day weekend. We will reopen on Tuesday, September 7 at 10:00 a.m.

Book Discussion

Wednesday, September 8 at 10:00 a.m.

Join us in the Community Room beside the library for a discussion of the book *Being Mortal* by Atul Gawande. Copies of the book, including audio and large print options, can be picked up at the library.

Driftless Explorer Passport

The library is teaming up with the Gateway to the Driftless! Pick up your Driftless Explorer Passport at the library now through September 15. Discover the Driftless area and win fun prizes. Great for all ages.

Emergency Broadband Benefit

The Federal Communications Commission has launched a temporary program to help families and households struggling to afford Internet service during the COVID-19 pandemic. The Benefit provides up to \$50 per month toward broadband service for eligible households. Eligible households can also receive a one-time discount of up to \$100 to purchase a laptop, desktop computer, or tablet from participating providers. For more information on how to enroll please visit www.fcc.gov/broadbandbenefit or call 833-511-0311.

September Activity Grab Bags

Beginning September 1, we will have Activity Grab Bags filled with activity sheets, a foam sticker craft, a pencil, and a sticker sheet available! Stop in to get one, or give us a call at 608-767-4905 to reserve your bag.

LEGO in Veterans Park

Wednesday, September 22 from 11:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.

Join us in Veterans Park on your early release day from school to build with LEGO! All ages are welcome.

Build Your Own Storytime

Don't forget to visit our YouTube channel anytime for videos of your favorite songs and rhymes to enjoy at home. Plus there will be NEW stories to watch in September! Go to blackearthlibrary.org and click on our YouTube link, or search for Black Earth Public Library on YouTube.

Community Art Project

We're making a chain of flowers with the help of the whole community! Craft kits are available at the library's Grab n' Go station. Make your own flower with our kit, bring it back to the library to add to our flower chain, and watch our chain grow! Craft kits are available for all ages of community members and there's no limit on the number of kits you can take!

1000 Books Before Kindergarten Club on Beanstack

Go to blackearthlibrary.beanstack.org to get signed up for our 1000 Books Before Kindergarten Club. All children from birth until the start of Kindergarten are welcome to join. When you've finished the program, your child will earn a free book and book bag. (Note: If you have already started this program on paper, feel free to continue on paper or transfer to Beanstack.)

