Get those tickets in! Tickets for the Grand Prize Drawing are due at the library by Friday, August 20 at 5:00 p.m.

With 14 Grand Prizes, participants in the summer reading club have more chances of winning than in previous years (when 5 grand prizes were offered).

350 adults signed up for the summer reading club this year.

Over 70 participants have finished six books and have claimed their prize. There’s still time to receive your prize for finishing six books.

Bring your Scorecard reading log to the library and show it at the Reference Desk to receive your prize. Prizes will be handed out until September 3rd.

DISPLAY CONTEST

The weekly display contest has had people puzzling over the theme of the week, poring over the books and other materials out on the table, conferring with family members, and commenting to staff members.

I think that everyone had as much fun figuring it out as I have had putting it together.

Each week was intended to become progressively harder—and the final week will be the hardest of all! The theme for week 8 (August 16) was suggested by a staff member who sees many books go across the desk each day.

Give it a try and see what you come up with. The winner is randomly selected from all correct entries and will receive the final $10 certificate for Present Tense Books. —Leslie D.

GAMES FOR LOAN

Did you try out one of the library’s selection of board and party games this summer?

These will still be available after the summer reading club is over and may be a better activity for a cold fall or winter evening.

The games are all award-winning, popular games that are a little different than many of the classic games most people know.

Many thanks to:

The Friends of Richmond Memorial Library for funding the summer reading club (prizes, decorations, and supplies) and also for funding special programs. The Friends make their money each month with the Used Book Sale. The next sale will be held on Thursday, September 2 from 9 am to 7 pm.

The following people for helping out with summer reading club sign-ups:

Terri-Lynn Ackerman
Heather Ackerman
Marie Andes
Jessica Beal
Pat Becker
Dianne Boehme
Anne Burns
Emma Carpenter
Mary Carragher
Dorothy Coughlin
Karen Crupi
Pam Deja
Tracy Gentry
Lisa Gricius
Jean Hare
Janet Lazarony
June Lee
Shirley Maloney
Thelma Montreal
Sandy O’Donnell
Pinky Osborn
Cheryl Schrader
Cherie Scudder
Alice Shaw
Pat Tomaszewski
Edna Wenhold
Ann Werk
Marilyn Zimmer

Mystery Tea & Trivia

Thirty mystery, detective, and crime readers gathered at the library for a Mystery Tea and Trivia program on July 26. In place of the regular book discussion, participants enjoyed an English-style tea while playing a variety of trivia games and winning signed copies and advance reader copies of new mystery and crime novels.

Everyone came away a winner as 30 books were given away.

In addition, three perceptive participants won special prizes for finding clues around the room and solving special puzzles.
Books Sandwiched In
Lunchtime Review Series
Wednesdays 12:10-1:00 pm
September 22—October 27
Listen to local speakers talk about new books. There’s no need to read anything ahead of time; bring your own lunch and enjoy coffee and cookies supplied by the Friends of the Library.

Facebook part 2
Tuesday, October 5  7 pm
For those who attended the first Facebook class and would like to know more or those who are slightly familiar with this social networking site and have questions. Registration is not required.

ADULT BOOK DISCUSSION
Second Wednesday  7:45-9:00 am
October —May
This early morning group reads a variety of books through the year. The selected book for each month is available at the front desk for participants of the discussion group. All are invited to attend.

Mystery Lovers’ Mondays
Book Discussion
Here’s a “heads-up” for a fall Mystery Lovers’ Book Discussion that will pair wine-based mysteries with an evening of wine tasting. Watch for details at the front desk and on the library’s website.

Fourth Thursday of each month
6:00 p.m.
Watch the movie and then discuss it.

Craft-related classes will also be held this fall. Check the library’s website or at the front desk for more information.