

At the library

For those who signed up to do the cooking challenge your recipes and photo of you and your culinary masterpiece is due July 10. You may either drop these off at the Chetek library or email director@calhounmemoriallibrary.org. Also, anyone interested in taking part of the challenge may still do so. Stop in at the library to sign up and collect your bag of ingredients. Happy cooking and good luck!

Beneficial Bites meets today at 1 p.m. Pears, a low-calorie snack with a whopping six grams of fiber, is the topic for discussion. Pears have a low glycemic index, as well as vitamin C to fight off free radicals, which can damage cells. Stop in to learn all the many health benefits of pears. The event is free and includes food samples.

With everyone busy with summer activities, the Try It Club will not meet in July. The group will gather again in August, at The Center, 711 First St., to make salsa. More information about the event will be forthcoming so look for it in later articles.

Remember, the Chetek library will be closed Thursday, July 4 and Friday, July 5 for staff to celebrate the Fourth of July holiday. The library will reopen Saturday, July 6 at 9 a.m.

For more information about the library or its programs, visit calhounmemoriallibrary.org or check out our Facebook page.

New fiction

“Pitch Dark,” by Paul Doiron. When Josie Jonson purchases land near Prentiss Pond her plan is to build a log cabin there. So, when Mark Redmond shows up and says he can construct her dream cabin she’s thinking the fates have smiled upon her. All Mark wants in return is to be left alone and in his off time, homeschool Cady, his teenage daughter. Meanwhile, Mike Bowditch, Maine game warden investigator, gets a call about a missing man and his investigation leads him to Redmond. Mike takes a dislike to the man; something seems off about him. And this thought is Mike’s last until he wakes up from drugged unconsciousness. Looking around he discovers Josie’s dead body, making Mike vow to find Redmond and bring him to justice. However, his efforts are hindered by not only Redmond’s wilderness skills, but by Mother Nature’s overflowing streams and downed trees. Following Redmond’s trail takes Mike to the Canadian border and to a man willing to kill his daughter rather than have her taken from him. This level of desperation makes Redmond much more dangerous and Mike wonders how he can rescue Cady. For if he doesn’t another innocent person will die.