At the library

Do you, or someone you know like to put jigsaw puzzles together? Then sign up to take part in a jigsaw puzzle competition, set for Saturday, Feb. 1. The contest is through a partnership between the Calhoun Memorial Library and Barron Public Library, which is where the competition is to be held. The Barron Public Library is located at 10 North Third St.

To play gather a team of one to four players. Each team is given the same 500-piece puzzle and then it's game on! Prizes will also be given out for the team who completes the puzzle first and the team with the best name. Spots are limited so teams are urged to sign up early. To do so, you may call the Barron Public Library at 715-537-3881 or Calhoun Memorial Library at 715-924-3195.

Team registration starts at 9 a.m. with the competition starting at 9:30 a.m.

January is nearing its end, and that has library staff thinking of Valentine's Day and how we can spread a little love to our patrons. As you may guess, we are doing it one book at a time.

Starting Friday, the library is featuring its Blind Date with a Book program, which runs until Feb. 15. What is Blind Date with a Book? It's exactly as it sounds. Library staff have selected a variety of books – thrillers, romances and mysteries – then wrapped them so nothing of the book is seen. The patron selects a book based on the short summary written on its wrapping. And FYI, each checkout comes with a nibble of chocolate and a rating slip. Did you love it? Like it? Totally hate it? Let the library know! Those who return their rating slips have a chance to win a \$25 gift certificate to Edgewood Bakery. Rating slips will be due March 1.

The Calhoun Memorial Library will be having a movie day for the kids on Friday, Feb. 7 at 1 p.m. The featured movie is "Wonka" starring Timothée Chalamet, Olivia Coleman and Keegan-Michael Key. The 2023 film is rated PG and runs 1 hour, 56 minutes. Bring friends, a snuggly blanket and drinks. Popcorn is provided by the library.

There is still time to take part in the Chetek Public Art League's community project, "Chetek: The Rest of the Story" to tell your tale and showcase your artistic creativity at the same time.

Stop into the Calhoun Memorial Library to sign up and collect your 6 inches by 6 inches canvas to take home and illustrate your personal story. The story that accompanies the canvas must be 12 words or less. Artwork may be drawn using the medium of your choice. Return your finished artwork to the library or mail to Chetek Public Arts League, Inc. P.O. Box 433 Chetek, WI 54728 by Feb. 28. Story forms must be securely attached to the back of your canvas. For more information visit chetekarts.org.

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