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Koller Library to host evening with author James Grippando in Manitowish Waters

The Friends of the Frank B. Koller Memorial Library in Manitowish Waters are pleased to present An Evening with New York Times bestselling author James Grippando, at Red Crown Lodge, May 25, 5 to 8 p.m. This annual library fundraiser brings in a different bestselling author every year. Join us for a cocktail hour, followed by an author talk and signing, and enjoy the opportunity to meet author James Grippando in-person.

James Grippando is author of thirty wildly popular thrillers, including the long-running Jack Swyteck series. His latest book, "Code 6," is a bold thriller that asks at what price we open our lives to Big Data. The story follows an aspiring playwright who uncovers a conspiracy that may implicate one of the most powerful executives in the tech industry, while simultaneously unleashing long-hidden family secrets.

A trial lawyer, Grippando now writes full-time in South Florida with his loyal golden retriever, Atlas, at his side. He teaches law and literature at the University of Miami School of Law and won the prestigious Harper Lee Prize in 2017. He and his wife Tiffany are also investors in Broadway plays, including the Tony Award-winning "Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf."

Appetizers will be served from 5 to 6

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New York Times best-selling author James Grippando.

p.m., with a cash bar. James Grippando will speak at 6 p.m., with a Q&A and book signing to follow. Tickets are on sale at the library for \$45 (appetizers included). We accept cash and check only. 100 tickets available. Call 715-543-2700 for more information. Tickets will not be sold at the door.

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Annual Town Hall Meeting

The annual town meeting will happen on April 19. Come out to see and hear what is

in store for our town of Mercer. Don't let 25 people — that's all it takes to push something through — decide on things for 1,500 residents. Come and have a say. Don't sit back and pay the price.



The Mercer Library will host its annual Earth Day Fair on Saturday, April 22, from 10 a.m. to noon at the Mercer Community Building. Come and join in the free event sharing ways you can tread more lightly on the earth. There will be information and activities for all ages, recycling and door prizes. There are many area organizations, businesses and individuals already signed up to participate. The Fair will also include Mercer Bird City activities and information, including a talk on Birding in the Northwoods with John Bates at the conclusion of the fair at noon. There will be free recycling for small electronics, plastic bags and film, batteries and much more. You can grab lunch or a snack with the Mercer Leo's. If

you would like to participate or your organization would like to be an exhibitor at the Fair Call the library at 715-476-2366.

Conservation Through Land Trusts

April 17 at 7 p.m. board members of the Northwoods Land Trust will present at the Mercer Library.

Rock Painting Contest

Every year the library hosts an art contest associated with the Earth Day Fair, and this year its rock painting contest for all ages, including adults. Go to the library website to see the guidelines.

Landscaping in Wet Environments

April 21 at 10 a.m. at the Mercer Library, Darrin Kimbler, Iron County agriculture educator will kick off on this topic. All are welcome to attend in person or on Zoom. Go to the library site to find the link for joining if you would like to be virtual.

Introduction to the Mercer Memory Lab

April 24 at noon, the library will present how to save those family

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