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STIRLING-RAWDON PUBLIC LIBRARY'S MONTHLY NEWSLETTER



Library Update

Just like that summer is coming to an end. Although August was a scorcher, we were grateful for the recently upgraded HVAC system that kept the library nice and cool. With the arrival of fall, the temperature will gradually fall but please keep in mind that on those days that the heat is unbearable, the library is an open public space to find some relief...and possibly a good read!

We would like to thank Horticultural Society volunteer, Sharon, for tending to the library gardens throughout the summer. Sharon did such a wonderful job keeping our gardens looking happy and healthy and we sincerely appreciate her time and effort.

We would also like to welcome back Jackie, our volunteer in the Adult Department who comes in every Tuesday to put away ALL the books returned throughout the week. It's so nice to have Jackie back!

Our veteran genealogy buffs are also back to assist people with their ancestry/genealogy investigations. John and Phil are generally in the Local History Department every Wednesday evening from 6-8pm and are also available by appointment. Please call the library to inquire. Also, with the library's subscription to Ancestry, patrons have the ability to use the Ancestry website from home! Simply go to www.stirlinglibrary.com, go to the online catalog, log in to your account and then click on the Ancestry icon on the homepage. This remote access is currently available until the end of the year

HOURS:

- Sunday, Monday CLOSED
- Tuesday - Thursday 10-7
- Friday, Saturday 10-3

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Upcoming Programs & Events

Please note that the library will be closed on Tuesday, September 7th for Labour Day. Normal hours resume on Wednesday, September 8th.

We've brought back the Weekly Riddle in the children's department which is always a popular activity for the kids, so next time you're in, test your knowledge and see if you can figure out the riddle!

In September we will be bringing back the Colouring Contest. So drop in and pick up a colouring sheet to do at home, then bring it in and you could win a small prize!

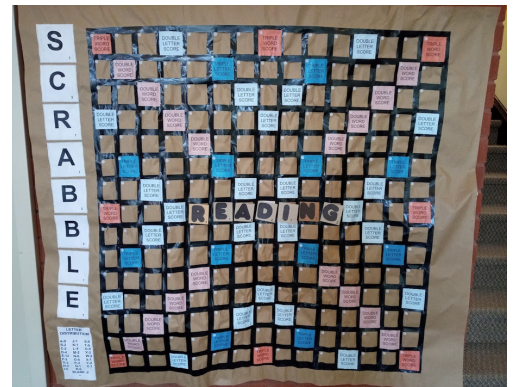
New Take & Make Kits will be available every couple weeks. The kits contain most of the supplies needed to make a specific craft. While supplies last.

We created a Giant Scrabble game and put it up in the lobby. Play against other library patrons by adding a word to the board and tallying your points!

Back to School Photo Frame Take & Make Kit: available September 3rd



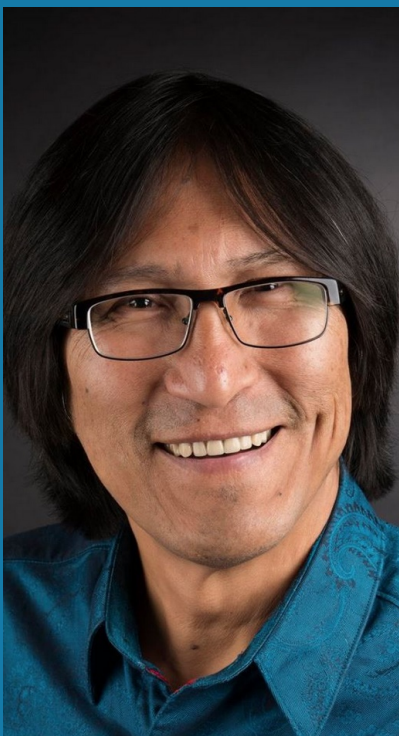
Coffee Filter Peony Take & Make Kits: Available September 17th



Upcoming Programs & Events in October:

Watch for new Take & Make Kits in October! Craft Stick Crossbow kits will be available October 5th. No Sew Fabric Pumpkin kits will be available October 19th.

October is Canadian Library Month so support your library by coming in for a visit! October is also our annual fund drive month so watch for more information about a handmade ornament fundraiser! Plus financial donations are always appreciated.



FEATURED AUTHOR

Richard Wagamese 1955 - 2017, Anishinaabe (Ojibwe) novelist, journalist, mentor. A well-known Indigenous writer in Canada, Wagamese won several awards including the Canada Council for the Arts Molson Prize (2013) and the Writers' Trust of Canada's Matt Cohen Award (2015).

A child of the "Sixties Scoop" with a family history of residential schools, his works speak about the historical and contemporary socio-economic issues affecting Indigenous communities in Canada. They also bring attention to issues regarding Indigenous identity, culture and truth and reconciliation. A beloved writer, Wagamese's works have inspired many Indigenous and non-Indigenous peoples and writers alike.

Several of Richard Wagamese's novels are available for borrowing at the library in print or as e-books or audiobooks on Libby.

Did you know... PARK PASSES

Time spent in nature has significant benefits for our mental and physical health. Ontario Parks and Quinte Conservation want you to spend more time in nature. To make it easier and more affordable they have made parking passes available to public libraries to lend out to library patrons!



We have 3 Ontario Parks Parking Passes available for borrowing! These can be used at any provincial park in Ontario. You must have an active library card to borrow.

They are first come, first serve and can be checked out for 7 days with your library card! No holds or renewals at this time and overdue fines are \$5 a day. Only 1 pass per cardholder.

Park capacity limits still apply. Parks close when they fill up. Plan ahead on busy days, especially weekends, so that you are not disappointed!

You can (and should, to avoid disappointment!) use your permit to reserve your spot in advance at 17 of their busiest parks.

- Algonquin, Arrowhead, Batchawana Bay, Craigleith, Darlington, Forks of the Credit, Kakabeka Falls, Kettle Lakes, Lake Superior, Long Point, Mono Cliffs, North Beach, Pinery, Presqu'ile, Sandbanks, Sibbald Point, and Turkey Point.

Using your seasonal vehicle permit's serial number, you can secure your spot up to five days in advance.



Quinte
CONSERVATION

We have 3 Quinte Conservation Parking Passes available for library patrons to borrow. This pass allows you to park your vehicle at any Quinte Conservation area from dawn til dusk, any day of the year free of charge!

You must have an active library card to borrow. They have a 1 week borrowing period, no renewals, \$1.00 a day overdue fines, and only 1 pass per cardholder.

Call (613)395-2837 or email info@stirlinglibrary.com to check availability and for more information.



FEATURED ARTIST

Art by Meggie

Next time you visit the library check out the art we have on display in our lobby display cabinet! Art by Meggie creations featured in the library showcase are prints mounted on small canvas boards that are for sale with half the proceeds going to the library. They are prints of larger works that are watercolour and ink paintings combined with various textural additions such as old vintage cloth, netting, lace, yarn, papers and found materials. There are also charming little paper and cloth party dresses hanging on tiny metal hangers as well as some interesting altered books created using her paintings and found materials. Come in and enjoy the unique, whimsical and imaginative work of this local artist.