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STIRLING-RAWDON PUBLIC LIBRARY'S MONTHLY NEWSLETTER



Library Update

You don't need proof of vaccination to access the library but you do need it to access select businesses and certain settings. The library is here to help you access and print your proof of vaccination.

Ontarians currently have access to paper or PDF vaccine receipts that include all the relevant information to prove that they are fully vaccinated. For those who do not have the tools necessary to print their proof of vaccination (internet access, computer, and printer), staff at the Stirling-Rawdon Public Library are available to assist you. To protect your privacy, our computers are equipped with a software program that clears all history, ensuring that your personal health information is not retained and public computers are sanitized after each use. Please be sure to have your green health (OHIP) card, including the numbers from both the front and back of the card, date of birth and postal code.

HOURS:

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

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Upcoming Programs & Events

Please note we will be **CLOSED** for Thanksgiving Tuesday, October 12th. Normal hours resume on Wednesday, October 13th.

We've brought back the **Weekly Riddle** in the children's department as well as the **Monthly Colouring Contest**. Drop in and see if you can solve the riddle, then pick up a colouring sheet to take home. Return the completed colouring sheet to be entered into the colouring contest!

With proper COVID protocols in mind we have changed up how we give out our small prizes in the children's department. **Prizes** will still be awarded for winners of our Weekly Riddle and Monthly Colouring Contest however they are now on display behind the children's circulation desk and numbered 1-6. Prize winners will roll a dice and with the number it lands on they win the corresponding prize! New prizes will replace the ones that have been won.

Think outside the box at our Creation Station Drawing Station. We've started a picture and you have to finish it, but it's not what you think! Drop into the children's department to learn more!

Craft Stick Crossbow
Take & Make Kit: available
October 5th



No Sew Fabric Pumpkin
Take & Make Kits: Available
October 19th



Halloween Paper Lantern
Take & Make Kit: Available
October 26th



Upcoming Programs & Events in November:

Watch for new Take & Make Kits in November!

Available starting **November 2nd:**
Veterans Week Activity Kits

Available starting **November 12th:**
Dinovember Kits - Dinosaur themed kits with a craft and other activities



Available starting **November 26th:**
Miniature Art Show - create a miniature piece of art using the supplies provided, return to the library to display in our display cabinet in the library lobby in January and February.

Upcoming closures in November:
Thursday, November 11th
for Remembrance Day

Stirling Reads 2021

Inspired by Canada Reads on CBC Radio. This year each staff member has picked a book based on the theme "The Great Escape."



Five books.
Five champions.
One winner.



Each week a staff member will be defending their choice on social media.

Books can be found in the library or on Libby. Try to read all 5 books and then vote on which one you think should win.

Drop into the library and pick up a book today! Vote by November 30th

Featured Website... Fantastic Fiction

<https://www.fantasticfiction.com/>

A Book Lover's Website!

Type in the desired author's name to discover:

- Their new books & publication date.
- Awards
- Their books in series order.
- Author's recommendations
- A synopsis of their books.
- Read a-likes

Discover within the website:

- New authors (by genre)
- New books out in publication (by genre & format) (in the previous 7 to 90 days)
- New books coming out soon (by genre & format) (in the next 7 to 60 days)
- Top authors (from #1 to #260)

Registering for an account gives you access to:

- Follow your favourite author: Fantastic Fiction will email you when the author has upcoming books.
- Create a wish list of books you want to read and see their publication date. FF will email you when books on that list become available.
- A tracking method of books you've read.

The screenshot shows the Fantastic Fiction website interface. At the top, there's a search bar with 'Author' selected and a 'Find' button. Below the search bar are navigation links: 'New Authors', 'New Books', 'Coming Soon', 'Bargain Books', and 'Top Authors'. The main heading is 'Welcome to Fantastic Fiction', followed by a message: 'Thanks for signing up. You can go to your page [here](#) or by clicking your name at the top right of every page.' Below this are three statistics: 'Authors you're following : 0/200', 'Books on your wish list : 0/200', and 'Books you've read : 0/15,000'. A section titled 'Bestselling fiction books' with a dropdown menu set to 'all formats' displays three book covers: 'The Madness of Crowds' by Louise Penny, 'Forgotten In Death' by J.D. Robb, and 'The New Kingdom' by Wilbur Smith. To the right, a 'Coming Soon' section lists upcoming books with dates: '28 Sep 2021' for 'Santa Cruise' by Fern Michaels, 'The Unknown (Krewe of Hunters, book 35)' by Heather Graham, 'The Christmas Wedding Guest (Wishing Tree, book 1)' by Susan Mallery, and 'Mistletoe Cowboy' by Diana Palmer; and '5 Oct 2021' for '2 Sisters Detective Agency' by Mark Chadbourne and Wilbur Smith.



October is Library Month!

The Stirling-Rawdon Public Library is having a fundraiser!

October is our annual fund drive month. Make a donation to support your library today! All financial donations are greatly appreciated!

Make a donation of \$5 or more and receive a beautiful fused glass Christmas ornament to help us purchase items on our Library Wish List!

They make a great gift or purchase one for yourself! 10 different patterns available.

Did you know... CELA

The Centre for Equitable Library Access, CELA, is Canada's comprehensive accessible reading service, providing books and other materials to Canadians with print disabilities in the formats of their choice.

Access to the CELA collection is restricted to people with print disabilities living in Canada.

A print disability is a learning, physical or visual disability that prevents a person from reading conventional print.

More specifically, a print disability can be a:

- Learning disability: An impairment relating to comprehension
- Physical disability: The inability to hold or manipulate a book
- Visual disability: Severe or total impairment of sight or the inability to focus or move one's eyes

Their collection includes award winners, best sellers, fiction and non-fiction with a special emphasis on Canadian authors and stories, and favourites for kids and teens.

Through the Stirling-Rawdon Public Library you have access to CELA's growing collection of 800,000 items, which include newspapers, magazines, and books in accessible formats such as audio, e-text and braille.

If there is a book you would like to read but it's not available through CELA, simply fill out a form on their website to recommend they add it to their collection.



DAISY Reader: What is it and why use it?

The DAISY (Digital Accessible Information System) Reader is designed to be a complete audio substitute for print material and is specifically designed for use by people with "print disabilities", including blindness, impaired vision, and dyslexia.

The DAISY Reader has advanced features in addition to those of a traditional audio book. Users can search, place bookmarks, precisely navigate line by line, and regulate the speaking speed without distortion. DAISY also provides aurally accessible tables, references, and additional information and features oversized buttons for ease of use.

The Stirling-Rawdon Public Library has 2 DAISY Readers available for borrowing. Contact us for more information if you wish to borrow one.



FEATURED ARTIST

Nancy Snowden

Nancy Snowden is a retired college professor who has been working with glass for more than 30 years. She started working with stained glass. Samples of her work can be seen in the art deco fan windows above the doors of the Stirling Theatre and the door panels of her former home on West Front Street. Nancy has worked with window glass laminating it to make three dimensional garden sculptures such as bird baths. She now is working with fusing glass in a kiln.

Glass fusing involves several layers of glass being stacked and placed in the kiln on a special paper to stop the glass from sticking to the kiln shelf. Special kinds of glass, powdered and frit and stringers can be added as decoration. The kiln goes through a schedule of heating up to more than 1400 degrees F and cooling slowly. This can take 8 to 12 hours to complete. Some pieces of fused glass will be heated in the kiln as many as 5 times. Nancy merges her love of gardening with her glass work to produce life sized fused glass lilies and kinetic sculptures. She also makes jewelry and one of a kind dishes.

Once Covid is over Nancy is planning to teach glass fusing. If this interests you, you can contact her at nancy.snowdon2@gmail.com