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MONTHLY NEWSLETTER



Library Update

New Holiday Hours!

Sat. Aug. 2 - CLOSED Tue. Aug. 5 - OPEN 10-7 Sat. Aug. 30 - CLOSED

Please note that, effective August 2, our long weekend hours will change. Instead of being closed on the Tuesday following the Monday holiday, the library will now close on the Saturday of that weekend.



Anna is heading to the University of Ottawa this month to begin her Honours BA in Psychology... the first step in her journey to becoming a lawyer!

It has been an absolute pleasure having Anna on our library team for the past 2.5 years. Please stop by the Children's Department for refreshments between 2-4 on Wednesday, August 13 to wish Anna well on her next *chapter*.

We will introduce our new Student Assistant, Chloe, in our September issue!

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MILL HOURS

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STRATEGIC PLAN FOCUS GROUP

Wednesday, August 27th at 5:30pm

As we move forward in creating our next strategic plan, your insights are invaluable. We believe that every voice matters, and we want to hear from you about what you envision for YOUR library community. This meeting will not only allow you to contribute to shaping our goals but also provide a chance to collaborate with fellow residents to brainstorm and exchange ideas.

By working together, we can come up with actionable strategies that reflect the needs and wishes of our community.

Light refreshments will be provided, and all community members are encouraged to attend. Whether you're a long-time patron or new to the area, your input is essential. Let's come together to build a brighter future for our library. We look forward to seeing you there!

ADULT PROGRAMS



ADULT SUMMER READING BOOKISH BINGO UNTIL AUGUST 23RD

Who says summer reading is just for kids? Join our Adult Summer Reading BINGO Challenge and make your summer more inspiring, fun, and book-filled!

Pick up your BINGO card at the library and complete a line (horizontal, vertical, or diagonal) or fill the whole card for a chance to win!

Makers for the Library

Thursdays 2-4pm until August 21st

Makers for the Library is a creative, hands-on volunteer program that gives teens the opportunity to earn community service hours by making crafts, art, and DIY items that the library can sell to raise funds for programs and events. Teens use their skills—or learn new ones—in crafting, design, and small-scale production, all while contributing to their community in a meaningful and fun way.

For ages 12 and up. Register online here.





CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

STORYTIME - THURSDAYS AT 10:30AM



Join us Thursday mornings for a half hour of stories, rhymes and songs in the children's department.

Recommended for children under the age of 4 and their caregivers. No registration required.

SUMMER READING SCAVENGER HUNT

Calling all young explorers! This summer, turn every book into a new adventure with our Summer Reading Scavenger Hunt – the ultimate reading challenge just for kids! Pick up your scavenger hunt sheet at the library.

Complete fun reading challenges and check off each task as you go! Turn in your completed scavenger hunt sheet by August 23rd and earn a special book bundle prize! Complete the extra activities to earn bonus spins to win!

AFTER SCHOOL HANGOUT - WEDNESDAYS AT 4PM

Tuesdays at 1pm Chapter Chompers Book Club

Each week we will prepare a simple recipe together to eat for lunch while enjoying listening to a book read aloud.

This book club blends literacy, life skills and joy - making lunchtime something to look forward to! A separate registration is required for each week. Register online. Recommended for ages 6 +

Tuesdays PAWS for Reading

PAWS for Reading is a program that allows children to read to a trained therapy dog!



Sign up for a 15 minute time slot to read to Burgess by calling us at 613-395-2837 or emailing info@stirlinglibrary.com or just drop into the library and ask! Tuesdays 6-7pm until August 19th

Wednesdays Fair Crafts

Come have fun at the library making cool crafts to enter in the Stirling Agricultural Fair!

We'll use paint, glue, glitter, and more to create awesome art you can be proud of. You might even win a ribbon at the fair!

No registration required. For ages 14 and under.

Wednesdays 2-4pm until August 13th

Wednesdays at 3pm Coding

Whether your child is a beginner or already curious about computers, this program introduces them to the world of coding through fun, hands-on activities and interactive projects. Recommended for ages 6 and up. No registration required.



TAKE & MAKE KITS

NATURE JOURNALS Available August 9th, while supplies last.

Pick up a kit to make your own nature journal! Then once you've made your journal you can decorate the pages with drawings, pressed flowers, or any nature-inspired embellishments you discover during your adventures.

LOWER TRENT CONSERVATION

Friday, August 8th 10:30-12:30

Through hands-on activities, participants will discover how wetlands filter water, provide habitat for wildlife, and help prevent erosion.

No registration required. For all ages.





IN THE ART GALLERY



MARGARET GROTEK

I paint primarily in acrylic, with the occasional foray into oil and watercolour. My paintings are a love letter to colour, and the ever changing beauty of Mother Nature.

After studying advertising and graphic design and living in Toronto for many years I moved to Stirling with my husband and daughter. Since then, I have been able to devote more time to painting when not spending time at the museum or with my two beloved grandchildren.