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MONTHLY NEWSLETTER



LIBRARY HOURS:

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

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Library Update



Support Your Library – Buy a Handmade Fused Glass Ornament!

We are pleased to once again have fused glass ornaments for sale to help us raise money to purchase items on the library's Wishlist. You can help by purchasing a beautiful, handmade fused glass ornament for just \$5 each! Cash only and first come, first served.

These ornaments were handcrafted by talented local fused glass artist, Nancy Snowden. Each ornament is unique and makes a perfect gift or decoration. All proceeds go directly toward purchasing wish list items for the library. Stop by and show your support by taking home something beautiful and help our library grow! Ornaments will be for sale while supplies last so be sure to get in and get yours before they're gone!

Mittens for Kittens

It's that time of year when we start collecting mittens! Drop off donations of new mittens, scarves and hats until December 5th when we will be presenting them to the Community Cupboard Christmas Sharing Program.



MILL HOURS

Tuesdays: 3–6:30
Saturdays: 10–2:30

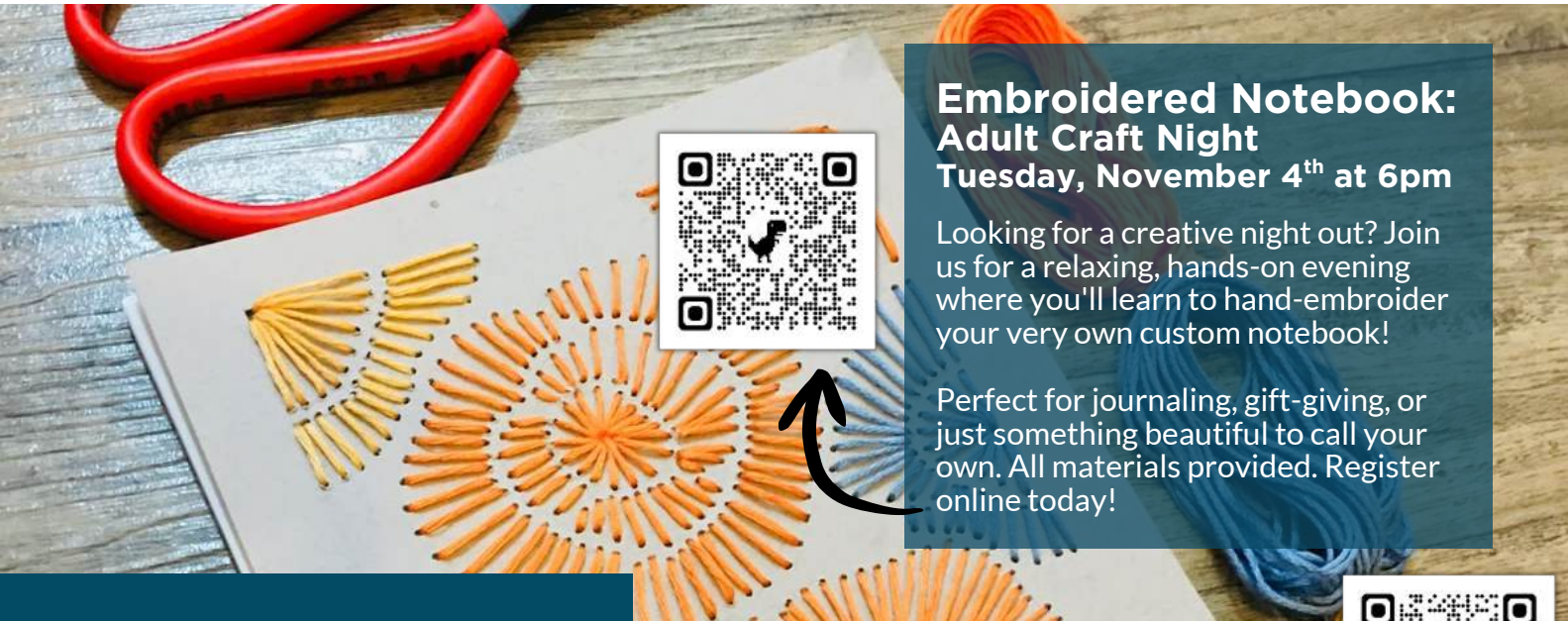
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ADULT PROGRAMS



Embroidered Notebook: Adult Craft Night Tuesday, November 4th at 6pm

Looking for a creative night out? Join us for a relaxing, hands-on evening where you'll learn to hand-embroider your very own custom notebook!

Perfect for journaling, gift-giving, or just something beautiful to call your own. All materials provided. Register online today!

Stirling MILL Ukulele Group (SMUG) Fridays at 10am

Join us weekly to play and sing together. Bring your own ukulele or just come and sing along! Ukuleles will also be available to play. No experience necessary. No registration required.

Yacking with Yarn: 1-3pm Friday, November 14th & November 28th

Drop in and join us to share about knitting, crocheting, embroidery, cross stitch or any fibre art that can travel. Whether you're a beginner or have advanced skills in the fibre arts, you're welcome to join us. No registration required.

Library Book Club Tues. November 18th at 2pm

Love talking about books but don't always want to read the same thing as everyone else? In this club, you pick your own book based on our monthly theme. November's theme is one (or all) of our Stirling Reads picks! At our meeting, we'll share what we read. It's all about connecting over stories, without the pressure of one set reading list. No registration required, new members always welcome.



Learn to Crochet Tuesday, Nov. 18th at 6pm

Looking for a creative, hands-on way to relax and unwind?

Join us for a fun and friendly intro to crochet class, designed just for adult beginners!

All materials provided. Register online.



Creative Curiosity Club Wednesdays at 1pm

This is a space to make art simply for the joy of it, no rules, no pressure, and no experience needed. Each week we'll explore a new prompt, material, or technique, but the focus is on play, curiosity, and self-expression rather than perfection. All supplies are provided, just bring yourself and an open mind. No registration required.

DIY Cleaners

Self-Sufficient Living Discussion Group Tues. November 25th at 6pm

Tired of harsh chemicals and artificial fragrances in your home? Ready to clean smarter, safer, and cheaper?

Join us to learn about effective, affordable, and eco-friendly cleaning products using simple ingredients you may already have at home. From basic all-purpose cleaners to homemade laundry powder, we'll show you easy recipes to help detox your living space and reduce your household expenses. No registration required.

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS



STORYTIME

Thursdays at 10:30am

Bring your little ones for a lively and engaging storytime session featuring books, songs, and interactive activities. Perfect for toddlers and preschoolers, Storytime encourages a love of reading, sparks imagination, and supports early learning — all in a warm and welcoming space. Recommended for ages 4 and under and their caregiver. No registration required.



DUNGEONS & DRAGONS

Thursdays at 5pm

Adventure awaits! Join our all-ages, drop-in Dungeons & Dragons game, no experience necessary. Whether you're a seasoned hero or brand new to roleplaying, everyone is welcome at the table. Create characters, explore fantastical worlds, and work together to overcome challenges in this fun and beginner-friendly session. Dice, character sheets, and guidance provided. Just bring your imagination! No registration required.



OPEN MAKERSPACE DAYS

Saturday, November 29th

Curious about robotics, circuits, and creative technology? Join us in the library's makerspace for an open drop-in session! Try out hands-on tools like our Sphero robots, LEGO robotics, Snap Circuits, Makey Makey, and more. Explore at your own pace, experiment with different gadgets, and discover how science, coding, and creativity come together. No registration required.

Take & Make Kit: Sweater Cats

Available Saturday, November 8th. While supplies last.

Drop into the children's department to pick up a kit containing the supplies needed to create cute little cats in sweaters. All you need to provide are scissors and markers!



After School Hangout Wednesdays at 4pm

November 5th

It's Dinovember! Join us for Dinosaur activities and a scavenger hunt.

November 12th

Enjoy an after school snack with an artsy twist! Join us to make painted toast!

November 19th

This week we're making animal collages. Come and get creative with us!

November 26th

Join us for fun, hands-on activities and interactive coding projects.



'Remembrance' Exhibition by John C. Leonard



The Stirling-Rawdon Library Art Gallery is excited and honoured to showcase two separate upcoming series by Canadian artist John C. Leonard. With over 450 previous exhibitions internationally since 1967, it is a privilege for the library to feature such a renowned and experienced professional artist. Leonard has taught extensively at many of Ontario's universities and art schools, including OCADU, the University of Toronto and York University and his work is held in more than 40 public galleries and corporate collections, including the National Gallery, the Ontario Arts Council, the Ministry of Culture and Recreation, and many others.

'Remembrance' is the first exhibition of Leonard's work to be featured in the Stirling-Rawdon Public Library Art Gallery, running from November 4 to 21. This exhibition will showcase beautiful, large pieces that depict events from World War I and II, which have significantly impacted Leonard's life and the lives of his family. The inspiration for this remarkable series of paintings came from conversations with Leonard's mother and aunt, both of whom were war brides married to Canadian soldiers.

Mr. Leonard's second exhibit will run from November 22-December 13. More information about that show will be provided in the December newsletter.



PRESENTATION

Please join us on
Friday, November 21st
at 12pm for a
presentation by John C.
Leonard who will offer
insight into the
inspiration behind
these remarkable
Remembrance Day
series.

Holiday Market

Friday, November 7th 4-8pm & Saturday, November 8th 10-1pm

Support the Stirling-Rawdon Public Library this holiday season and stop by the library during the Holiday Market on Friday, November 7th and again on Saturday, November 8th! We'll be set up outside the library and have a delightful selection of bookmarks, keychains, zipper pulls and bracelets made by local teens this summer as well as glass ornaments made by Nancy Snowden and even a few books for sale! Plus we'll have a fun little Christmas craft for you to make! Funds raised directly support future library programming and help us purchase wishlist items. Drop by between 4pm and 8pm on Friday and between 10am and 1pm on Saturday!



Spycraft: Knit & Chat Tuesday, Nov. 4th at 10:30am

Bring your knitting and meet Kirk Dunn, co-playwright and knitting designer of Spycraft, the WW2 espionage thriller at the Stirling Festival Theatre Oct. 30th to Nov. 9th, 2025. Kirk will chat about knitting in code, designing the show's knitted costumes, and writing a thriller ... about knitting!

No registration required.



Good Food Bags & Good Baby Box

If paying in cash at the library, Good Food Bag and Good Baby Box orders need to be in by Wednesday, November 19th at 11:30am to receive your order on Tuesday, November 25th.

Order and pay online by visiting:
<https://cdcquinte.com/pages/shop>

