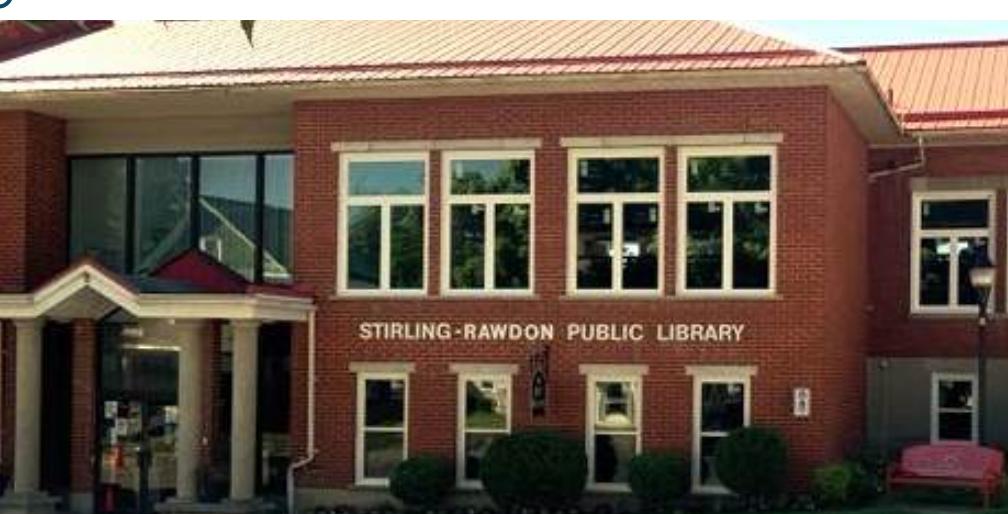




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LIBRARY HOURS:

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

Library Update

SIGN UP FOR A FREE TREE!

Register your child to receive a free tree this Spring!

Trees will arrive ahead of Earth Day (April 22nd) and we will contact you regarding pick up details.



REGISTER HERE!



We are excited to be partnering once again with Neighborhood Forest to bring you **FREE TREES!**

Neighborhood Forest's mission is to give every child the joy of planting and watching their very own tree grow. What started with 4 schools in Minneapolis, in 2010, has grown to over 3,500 schools, libraries, and youth groups spanning all 50 states and 7 Canadian provinces. They have also successfully conducted pilots in Mexico, Ghana, Haiti, and Uganda.

Tree species will be announced in early April. Neighborhood Forest aims to provide native and / or fruit bearing trees in all regions they serve.

HOW YOU CAN PARTICIPATE:

1. Register your child(ren) for a free tree to receive and plant during Earth Week!

2. Don't have a child? Purchase a tree to plant this spring - Buy One, Fund One!

3. Support tree planting in your community through a donation! \$5 gets a tree in the hands of a child.

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ADULT PROGRAMS



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, February 13th and 27th

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. February 17th at 2pm

In this book club you pick what you want to read based on our monthly theme. Since February is a short month our theme is short.

That could be a short story or a short novel or you could interpret that in a different way. Just read something and then come and tell us about it! No registration required.

Beaded Plants

Adult Craft Night

Tuesday, February 3rd at 6pm

Join us for a relaxing, creative evening as we make mini beaded plants, tiny, colorful decorations that never need watering! All supplies are provided, and no experience is needed. Come craft, chat, and leave with a charming handmade plant to brighten your space. Register online.



Creative Curiosity Club Wednesdays at 1pm

This month we're experimenting with alcohol markers. This is a space to make art simply for the joy of it, no rules, no pressure, and no experience needed. The focus is on play, curiosity, and self-expression rather than perfection. All supplies are provided, just bring yourself and an open mind. Recommended for adults. No registration required.



Self-Sufficient Living Discussion Group

Tuesday, February 24th at 6pm

Join our ongoing community discussion group where we explore the practical side of homesteading, gardening, self-sufficiency, and sustainable living. No registration required.

MILANO CORTINA 2026

Join us to cheer on Team Canada!

Celebrate and watch the action with your library.

Figure Skating: Ice Dance

Wed., Feb. 11th: 1:30-5pm

Men's Hockey: Canada vs. Czechia

Thurs. Feb. 12th: 10:40-1:10pm

Women's Hockey: Gold Medal Game

Thurs. Feb. 19th: 1:10-4:10pm

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.



EAT ICE CREAM FOR BREAKFAST DAY

Saturday, February 7th at 11am

The first Saturday in February is Eat Ice Cream for Breakfast Day so join us on Saturday, February 7th at 11am when we make ice cream the breakfast of champions!

We'll be making our own ice cream in a bag and enjoying a DIY sundae bar with what we've made! Everyone welcome, no registration required.



Month of February

Take a chance on a mystery read! Check out a book that's fully wrapped, with only a short description as your clue. No titles, no covers—just the fun of discovering something new when you unwrap it at home. A perfect surprise for curious readers.



After School Hangout Wednesdays at 4pm

February 4th:

Test your knowledge with exciting questions, play in teams, and you could win! Perfect for curious minds and big imaginations!

February 11th:

Celebrate Valentine's Day by creating colorful crafts, and playing festive games. A perfect way to spark creativity and share the love!

February 18th:

For Random Acts of Kindness week we're making kindness cards to spread smiles and positivity in the community.

February 25th:

Kids will use LEGO bricks to create fun, textured paintings and colorful designs. A hands-on activity that blends art and building while sparking creativity and imagination!

Take & Make Kit: Basket Weaving

Available Tuesday, February 10th. While supplies last.

Drop into the children's department and pick up a kit containing all the supplies needed to make a cute little basket from cardstock and yarn. All you need to provide are scissors!



GUESTS



Dungeons & Dragons

Thursdays 5-7pm

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.



On Display: Group of Eleven

The Group of Eleven will be on display in the Art Gallery throughout January and February. This group meets Tuesday mornings in Stirling at the Train Station to share their love of painting and drawing.

They work in many media including watercolours, pen and ink, pastels, acrylics and mixed media. Members share their talents, ideas and enthusiasm. New members of all levels of expertise are always welcome.

CLOSED FOR FAMILY DAY

Saturday, February 14th

The Stirling-Rawdon Public Library will be closed Saturday, February 14th for Family Day. Normal hours resume Tuesday, February 17th



Reading Olympics: Jan-Mar.

Welcome to the Reading Olympics Challenge—where every page you turn brings you closer to the podium!

In this challenge, each “sport” represents a theme or category of books—mystery, fantasy, science, adventure, history, you name it. Within every sport, there are 3 books waiting for you to conquer.

Each “sport” has 3 books—read 1 for Bronze, 2 for Silver, and all 3 for Gold! The more you read, the more medals you earn.

Ready, set... read!



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, February 18th at 11:30am to receive your order on Tuesday, February 24th.

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



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