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The Newsletter of the Douglas Library of Hebron

24hr pick-up lockers introduced

Work late? Cautious about being in public spaces due to COVID? Just don't feel like coming inside? There are lots of reasonable excuses for why getting to the library is difficult or undesirable. The Douglas Library now has outdoor lockers where patrons can **pick up holds anytime** – day or night – from outside of the building.

The lockers, which were purchased using federal grant funds from the American Rescue Plan, have 17 slots where items can be stored. Patrons can choose to have their items held outside for five days instead of inside of the building. Once the material is processed and ready for pick-up, patrons will receive an email and text message with a unique code that will open the specific locker holding their items. They can then visit the library at their convenience and use the lockers – located next to the building's main entrance.

While the lockers will eventually be more integrated into the holds request process, for now patrons can request to have items held in the lockers by calling the library or sending in an email (info@douglaslibrary.org) along with their hold request. Holds will still be kept in the building by default.

Storytime on pause

Storytime has been temporarily suspended due to Covid-19 restrictions. We will let everyone know as soon as anything changes. Prerecorded stories are available at douglaslibrary.org. Happy Valentine's Day!!

Adult/Teen Take & Make Craft:

Valentine's gnomes and snowmen



Make a soft and fluffy **gnome** for yourself or your valentine. Pick up your kit from the Adult Circulation Desk while supplies last.



2/14 Create a **snowman** from a paperback book. Pick up your kit from the Lobby while supplies last.



Teen events

Lots of fun events for young adults this month! On February 1st, the Teen Advisory Group (TAG) will meet to discuss event planning, eat some snacks, and to do some crafts. This counts as 1 hour of community service! On February 8th, there will be a Super Smash Bros. Ultimate Video Game Tournament. The winner will receive a prize! Bring your own Switch controller if possible. On the 15th, there will be a Jeopardystyle Trivia event for teens! Question topics include to shows, movies, and mythology. The winner will receive a prize!



HOURS

Monday - 12PM-8PM Tuesday - 10AM-8PM Wednesday - 12PM-8PM Thursday - 10AM-8PM

Friday - 12PM-6PM

Saturday - 10AM-3PM The library is closed on Sunday

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Program Spotlight:

Abraham Lincoln, From Rail-splitter to President Friday, February 18th, 1 pm, Virtual



In this 45 minute interactive dramatic virtual program, Friday, February 18th at 1:00pm, actor-storyteller Lou Del Bianco portrays Lincoln as Civil War President. frontiersman and storyteller. Lincoln's values... honesty, love of family, thirst for sense iustice education. of shine through this perseverance dynamic new presentation. Registration with a valid email is required.

Program Spotlight:

Foundations in Equity Literacy Tuesday, February 15th, 6:30PM, Virtual

Join facilitators from CT's Alliance for Collaborative Equity (CTACE.org) to take the first steps in understanding how our society rewards and punishes citizens based on the color of their skin. This is the first of three programs that CT ACE will be bringing to the library over the next few months as a part of our **Equity Bootcamp** series. This is a virtual event. Register at douglaslibrary.org to receive the Zoom link. This program was made possible by a grant from the Hebron Greater Together Community Fund.





This month's "In the Spirit" book discussion is Wednesday, February 16th from 7-8:30 at the American Legion, located next door to the library. This month we will discuss "The One Hundred Years of Lennie and Margot" by Marianne Cronin. Copies of the book are available for checkout at the main floor circulation desk. Participants must be at least 21.

Program Spotlight:

Confused About Medicare? Wednesday February 16th 6:00pm

Not sure of the difference between original Medicare and Medicare Advantage? Let Mark Macrina, a licensed agent for Senior Health and Retirement Services, fill you in! Mark is a Marlborough native and he takes pride in helping his community. Open enrollment extends through March and Mark will cover changes for 2022 and specifics around the confusing donut hole. Learn about any additional opportunities currently available as well as existing FEMA benefits. This is an educational seminar, but if you'd like to schedule a complimentary consultation at any point in the future Mark would be happy to help.

Lots of fun **movies** this month on Friday afternoons! Join us at 1 PM each week to watch a flick and have some snacks in our Community Room. Reservations are not required.

Being the Ricardos Feb 4th R 120 min





King Richard Feb 11 PG-13 144 min

Ghostbusters:
Afterlife
Feb 25th

PG-13 120 min



Friends of the Library



Special interest categories for February include "Fall in Love with a Good Book", "Try a Memoir" and "From Book to Film/TV". Check out some favorites - you might even discover some you hadn't realized were originally books!

Treat yourself or someone special to a Valentine surprise from our gift selection. Perhaps pick up a recent release to keep you busy on these cold winter days. We have plenty of gift-quality children's books to bring home as well.

So, stop by and see what's new on our shelves - support the Friends of the Douglas Library today!