Indiana Free Library SHELF LIFE

Letter from the Director: Going Green

Red means STOP, Green means GO and Yellow means Watch Out! This is what I learned in Kindergarten about stop lights. 2020 has given us all a different interpretation of those colors and one that we may not quickly forget.

At IFL Red was not really a stop order, but we closed up the building for safety and took our services and programming online. Many of you did find us there and joined us for "Stories from the Hen House" on Facebook and YouTube and then our previous monthly Book Clubs on Zoom. During Yellow, we began the process of offering Grab-N-Go services so that everyone could get access to library materials again. Some of you have even discovered that we lend board games to pass the time for our families.

Did you make the discovery looking for library news that we have a new website? Grant-funded by the Indiana Rotary, this website will improve your access to all things library! While the building was closed for safety, we worked very hard on putting together a new resource that would showcase our digital services and offer improved navigation, lots of photos so you can get to know us better, and a few new digital offerings for active but locked-down families looking for free resources to stay engaged.

We are so sorry for the changes that the pandemic brings to our area, especially joblessness! Your library is here for you and has resources to assist with your next job search.

Please consider FREE online classes from Gale Courses to empower you with new skills when you begin your next job search. These are FREE instructor-led, six-week, quality course that are often used by Community Colleges for credit. Did I mention they are FREE! Print a Certification attesting to your new skill upon completion to use with your resume or let your employer know that you were not idle while away. If you are not able to pass the final exam, you can always take it again because they are FREE!

Also the Learning Express Library offers a Job Accelerator tool that can help with building resumes, conducting interviews and a variety of career building moves for you. It includes great option for kids studying at home for homework helps and so many resources we don't have space to tell you about. But please explore and know that your library is hard at work building your community, and that means you.

There are still no fines being taken for library materials for the time we were closed or the time after we open. Books are wiped down and quarantined after they are returned, for your safety, for a minimum of five days before they are checked in. We have adopted safe CDC practices and will continue to do that so prevent the virus spread.

Please see details for our Grab-N-Go and we'll schedule your pick-up of library materials to keep you reading and your mind fresh while waiting to get back to whatever you are waiting for.

Summer Reading is beginning online, but does require registration this year so that we can prepare craft materials for you to pick up. It is so important to keep children active though homebound in these days.

The big question is, "When will the library be open again?" No news on that as yet. We know that libraries are a hub where people love to gather. For now, we are offering service for library materials and will shortly begin to allow limited computer use on a schedule.

We do hope that as the summer unfolds, you will feel safe to come back and find a good summer read, download from the cloudLibrary!

Stay safe and healthy! - Kate Geiger





Summer Reading programs this year are filled with stories of imagination! We have great ways for you to participate that keep everyone safe and still get involved with activities and fun all summer. Because our building is closed and we ask you to follow our programs online, we will be sending craft kits for families to pick up and join in. There will also be prizes for our young readers following in the Reading Log. Registration is required so we have enough crafts for everyone.

Please sign up by going to our website www.indianafreelibrary.org and look for 2020 Summer Reading under the "What We Do - Youth Programs" page. Find the age group for your program and click the appropriate button:

 Monday's are for the small ones, birth - 3 years of age and are named the Fablers.

• Tuesday's are for kids aged 4-6 and they are called the Bards. • Wednesday's are for our oldest Storytellers at ages 7-12.

Click on the program(s) of your choice and register. Register once for the summer (Not for each week's program), then come in and get your Participation Bags for the month of June at the ground floor entranceway.

July's activity bags will be available in the last week of June and the first week of July.

All instructions needed to participate will be in your bag. In addition to some creative crafts, you can log in to your reading time on the "Summer Reading Log" and be eligible for more summer prizes and surprises!

For paper-based participation, there is a paper reading log in your Participation Bag. Enter your name, Library Card number, and the rest of the information on the sheet and turn it back into the library by using the dropbox.

Our friendly staff will log in to your reading minutes for you! A fun Summer Reading Challenge is also in your Participation Bag. Look at the challenges and complete at least ten for additional prizes at the end of the summer! Turn this into the dropbox also. Make sure your name is on the Challenge.

You can pick up your Participation Bags in the Jimmy Stewart Museum Entrance starting Monday, June 8th at 11 AM. The bags will be on the shelf inside with your name and program title June 30: The Bremen Town Musicians on them. Please only one bag per participant and one person at a time in the lobby. Please be sure to pick up the right bag for your age group.

Pick up hours for Participation Bags are as follows: Monday 4 - 7 pm, Wednesday or Saturday 11 am - 3 pm.

MONDAY (BIRTH-3) AESOP'S FABLES

June 8: Town Mouse, Country Mouse

June 15: The Crow & the Pitcher

June 22: The Dog & the Shadow

June 29: The Fox and the Crow

July 6: The Hare & the Tortoise

July 13: The Lion and the Mouse

July 20: The Boy who Cried Wolf

July 27: The Astrologer



TUESDAY (AGES 4-6) **FAVORITE FAIRY AND FOLK** TALES

June 9: Kate and the Beanstalk

June 16: Three Billy Goats Gruff

June 23: The Emperor's New Clothes

July 7: Three Little Bears

July 14: Elves and the Shoemaker

July 21: The Three Little Pigs

July 28: Chicken Little

WEDNESDAY (AGES 7-12) AMERICAN FOLKLORE AND TALL TALES

June 10: Paul Bunyan (Star topic: Taurus)

June 17: Raven: A trickster Tale from the Pacific Northwest (Star: Corvus)

June 24: Sal Fink (Star: Andromeda and Cassiopeia)

July 1: Johnny Appleseed (Star: Johnny Appleseed of the sky-Mira)

July 8: The Naked Bear (Star: Ursa Major)

July 15: John Henry (Star:Regulus)

July 22: The Squonk (Star: Lupus)

July 29: How the Stars Fell into the Sky (Star: Find your Zodiac Constellation

Teen Summer Reading HOGWARTS: 101 STUDENT SCHEDULE

June 11th The Sorting Hat June 28th Herbology June 25th Arithmancy July 2nd Care of Magical Creatures July 9th Charms July 16th **Ancient Runes** July 23rd Quidditch July 30th Defense Against the Dark Arts (DADA)

Activities will be posted Thursdays by 11 a.m.



Zoom Book Clubs



We meet the third Monday of each month at 11 a.m. Email Val @ iflkidsfun@gmail.com to be added to the zoom invite list.

June 15th The Girl who Drank the Moon, *by Kimberly Barnhill* July 20th The Cerulean, *by Amy Ewing* August 20th One of Us is Lying, *by Karen M. McManus* September 21st

Black Wings Beating, by Alex London



We meet the first Tuesday of each month at 11 a.m. Email Val @ iflkidsfun@gmail.com to be added to the zoom invite list.

July 7th

The Glass Castle : A Memoir, *by Jeanntee Walls* August 4th

50 Children: One Ordinary American Couple's Extradorinary Rescue Mission into the heart of Nazi Germany, *by Steven Pressman*

September 1st

Not for Ourselves Alone: The Story of Elizabeth Cady Stanton & Susan B. Anthony, by Geoffrey Ward and Ken Burns We are offering FOUR of our popular book clubs on ZOOM while our physical location is closed. You can find full schedules on our new website www.indianafreelibrary.org



We meet the fourth Tuesday of each month at 11 a.m. Email Val @ iflkidsfun@gmail.com to be added to the zoom invite list.

June 23rd

The Worst Hard Time: The untold Story of Those who Survived the Great Ameriacn Dust bowl, *by Timothy Egan* **July 28**th

Shockwave: Countdown to Hiroshima, by Stephen Walker

August 25th

Polio : An American Story, by David Oshinsky



We meet the second Monday of each month at 7 p.m. Email Lauri @ iflteens@gmail.com to be added to the zoom invite list.

Check our website www.indianafreelibrary.org for IFL Book Club schedule. Books will be picked based on availability and suggestions from the group.





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When we can achieve that, updates will be provided at our NEW website :

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