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LIBRARY NEWS

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What's New?

Summer Reading

Summer Reading Program sign-up begins on Monday, **May 17**. The first day completed reading records can be turned in is **June 14**. This year's theme is "Tails and Tales." Readers and read-to-me's of all ages can participate. Stop by the library to register, or sign up at home on our website and print your own reading records and contest sheets. Join us for our "Summer Speaker Series" in June and the 26th Literature Festival in July. See what else is happening by opening our online calendar. Click the event to sign up for programs.

Knot Just Knitters

Knot Just Knitters (Formerly *Needles, Hooks & Books*) will meet at the library on May 8 and May 22 from 2:30-4:00 p.m. This is a social group for knitting and crocheting enthusiasts of all ages and experience levels. Bring your own project to work on and meet others with similar interests.

Youth Services Rewards Card

The library has a rewards card for kids up to age 12. For each program attended, the child's card will receive a punch. For every 10 card punches, the child will be rewarded with a new book!

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If you would like to receive this newsletter by email each month, visit our website and sign up under "Helpful Links."

LIBRARY HOURS:

9:00 a.m.– 8:00 p.m. Monday – Thursday
9:00 a.m.– 5:00 p.m. Friday and Saturday
1:30 p.m.– 4:30 p.m. Sunday

Phone: 402-844-2100
www.norfolkne.gov/library

Check It Out!

Books for Animal Lovers

Adult Nonfiction

All Creatures Great and Small by James Herriot

Trooper: The Bobcat Who Came in from the Wild by Forrest Bryant Johnson

How to Hold Animals by Toshimitsu Matsuhashi

A Most Remarkable Creature: The Hidden Life and Epic Journey of the World's Smartest Birds of Prey by Jonathan Meiburg

World of Wonders: In Praise of Fireflies, Whale Sharks, and Other Astonishments by Aimee Nezhukumatathil

Beloved Beasts: Fighting for Life in an Age of Extinction by Michelle Nijhuis

Tiny But Mighty: Kitten Lady's Guide to Saving the Most Vulnerable Felines by Hannah Shaw

A World on the Wing: The Global Odyssey of Migratory Birds by Scott Weidensaul

Juvenile Nonfiction

The Old Man and the Penguin: A True Story of True Friendship by Julie Abery

The Spirit of Springer: The Real-Life Rescue of an Orphaned Orca by Amanda Abler

Wildlife Watching: Spotting Animals on Outdoor Adventures by Raymond Bean

Handimals: Animals in Art and Nature by Guido Daniele and Silvia Lopez

Crossings: Extraordinary Structures for Extraordinary Animals by Katy S. Duffield

Anna & Samia: The True Story of Saving a Black Rhino by Paul Meisel

Picture Books

Scruff by Alice Bowsher

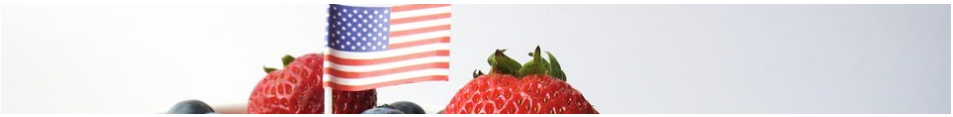
The Best Place in the World by Petr Horáček

A Family for Faru by Anitha Rao-Robinson

The Shadow Elephant by Nadine Robert

Little Fox by Edward van de Vendel

I Am Not a Penguin by Liz Wong



Upcoming Programs

Finding the American Dream

Monday
May 17
6:30 p.m.

Bill Clevlen is a national travel journalist and syndicated radio broadcaster who promotes road trips across America. He is the author of several travel books including the popular travel guide, *100 Things To Do in America Before You Die*.

His latest book, *Finding the American Dream: A Guided Tour of Places Where Americans Changed History* features a chapter on Norfolk's Johnny Carson and an invitation for tourists to visit Norfolk.

Clevlen will share some fun stories from his many road trips across America and highlight some of the more amusing and fascinating people he profiled for his new book.

He will stick around following the presentation for a question and answer session and to sell and autograph copies.

Library programs are free and offer something interesting for everyone!

"You will never do anything in this world without courage."
~ Aristotle

Basic Email Computer Classes

May 10—1:00-4:00 p.m.
May 24—5:00-8:00 p.m.

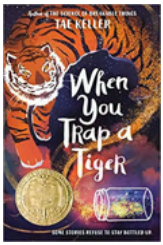
Norfolk Public Library and Northeast Community College are partnering once again for computer classes. These classes are designed for adults who have some experience with computers.

Basic Email classes will be offered twice in May in Meeting Room A at the library. Both classes will cover the same material and will be taught by a Northeast Community College instructor.

Classes are free to attend, but registration is required as class size is limited. Sign up by calling 402-844-2100 or use the online registration at: **www.norfolkne.gov/library** and click on the event calendar.

In addition to Basic Email, Microsoft Word classes will be offered June 14 and June 28.

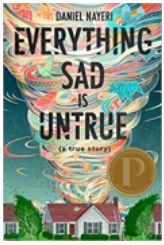
2021 Youth Book Awards



Newbery Medal
Children's Literature

When You Trap a Tiger

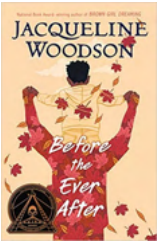
by Tae Keller



Printz Award
Young Adult Literature

Everything Sad Is Untrue

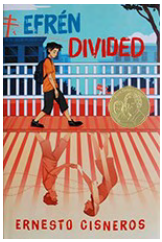
by Daniel Nayeri



Coretta Scott King Award
African American Author

Before the Ever After

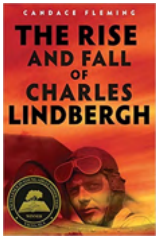
by Jacqueline Woodson



Pura Belpré Award
Latin American Author

Efrén Divided

by Ernesto Cisneros



Yalsa Award
Nonfiction Author

The Rise and Fall of Charles Lindbergh

by Candace Fleming

Stay Up-To-Date at the Norfolk Public Library This Summer

- Like us on Facebook
- Join our NPL – Kids Facebook group (virtual storytime happens here)
- Follow us on Instagram @nplreads
- Frequently check the library homepage and online events calendar for the latest news regarding current library services and programs
- **www.norfolkne.gov/library**

Craft & STEM Kits To-Go beginning May 7

We're cleaning house before summer. Help us out by picking up a craft or STEM kit, while supplies last. Kits are available at the front desk or the drive up window during open hours.

Youth Programs

STORYTIME TO-GO:

Storytime To-Go kits include 5 books, coloring pages and activities. Ask for one at our Service Desk or call 402-844-2100 to pick up at the drive-up service window or to have them put in a locker.

STORYTIME:

Thursdays at 1:30 p.m. and Fridays at 10:00 a.m. Storytime is a fun way to begin library visits and literary experiences. Join us in Meeting Room A at the library for stories, songs, movement, Spanish language experiences, storytelling, finger plays, poems, puppets and more. No registration is necessary. See our website for current COVID restrictions.

YOUNG ADULT BOOK CLUB:

Saturday, May 15, at 2:30 p.m. Meets in Meeting Room A at the library. Young adult book club is for any teenager who loves to read and talk about books. Group members select what books they want to read. Newcomers are always welcome. Contact Amber in the Youth Services Department if you would like to participate. This month's book is *The Naturals* by Jennifer Lynn Barnes.

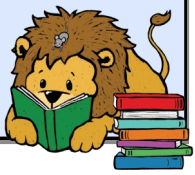
GOLDEN SOWER BOOK CLUB:

Monday, May 24, at 3:00 p.m. Meets in Meeting Room C at the library. This is a book club for ages 8-12 whose reading selections come from titles nominated for the Golden Sower Award, Nebraska's Children's Choice Literary Award, and all books are provided by the library. Newcomers are always welcome. See Amber in the Youth Services Department if you would like to participate. This month's book is *Holes* by Louis Sachar. The group will discuss the book and watch the movie.

1,000 BOOKS BEFORE KINDERGARTEN:

Reading 1,000 books to your child before kindergarten is a fun and rewarding way to instill an early love of reading. Any child from birth until kindergarten can participate. Completion will take from a few months to a few years, depending on how often you read. The program is designed to equip parents with the tools needed to instill a love of reading. Earn free books along the way! The concept is simple, but the rewards are priceless!

For more information on any of these programs, call Karen, Amber or Nikki at 402-844-2100 or stop by the library.



Classic Poetry

A Day of Sunshine

by Henry Wadsworth Longfellow

O gift of God! O perfect day:
Whereon shall no man work, but play;
Whereon it is enough for me,
Not to be doing, but to be!

Through every fibre of my brain,
Through every nerve, through every vein,
I feel the electric thrill, the touch
Of life, that seems almost too much.

I hear the wind among the trees
Playing celestial symphonies;
I see the branches downward bent,
Like keys of some great instrument.

And over me unrolls on high
The splendid scenery of the sky,
Where through a sapphire sea the sun
Sails like a golden galleon,

Towards yonder cloud-land in the West,
Towards yonder Islands of the Blest,
Whose steep sierra far uplifts
Its craggy summits white with drifts.

Blow, winds! and waft through all the rooms
The snow-flakes of the cherry-blooms!
Blow, winds! and bend within my reach
The fiery blossoms of the peach!

O Life and Love! O happy throng
Of thoughts, whose only speech is song!
O heart of man! canst thou not be
Blithe as the air is, and as free?

Monthly Programs

KNOT JUST KNITTERS: Saturdays, May 8 and 22, at 2:30 p.m. This is a social group for knitting and crocheting enthusiasts of all ages and experience levels. Bring a project to work on and enjoy learning from each other and making new friends. Newcomers are always welcome. Meets in Meeting Room A at the library.

TUESDAY NIGHT BOOK CLUB: May 25 at 6:30 p.m. For adults, please contact Jessica at 402-844-2100 or **jchamberlain@norfolkne.gov** for more information. Newcomers are always welcome. Meets in Meeting Room C at the library. This month's book is *The Splendid and the Vile: A Saga of Churchill, Family, and Defiance During the Blitz* by Erik Larson.

WEDNESDAY MORNING BOOK CLUB: May 26 at 10:00 a.m. For adults, please contact Karen at 402-844-2100 or **kdrevo@norfolkne.gov** for more information. Newcomers are always welcome. Meets in Meeting Room A at the library. This month's book is *If Only I Could Tell You* by Hannah Beckerman.

20s & 30s BOOK CLUB: May 27 at 6:30 p.m. This book club is designed for those in their 20s and 30s. Please contact Anneka at 402-844-2100 or **aramirez@norfolkne.gov** for more information. Newcomers are always welcome. Meets in Meeting Room A at the library. This month's book is *Once Upon a River* by Diane Setterfield.

LinkedIn Learning

LinkedIn Learning is now an active part of our Digital Library. This is an award-winning industry leader in online training with over 6,000 courses in technical, business, software and creative topics. LinkedIn Learning lets you work at your own pace.

With courses on financial literacy, social media, drawing and music theory, you will be able to grow and develop in your personal and professional pursuits.

Visit our Digital Library to log in 24/7 to LinkedIn Learning with your Norfolk Public Library card number and PIN.

Writing Lab

May 15 - 1:30 p.m

Attention writers! If you are looking for a fun and safe space to explore your craft, then join us in Meeting Room C for our monthly Writing Lab.

Both adults and teens of all writing experience levels are welcome to attend, and no registration is required.

Participants will have room to remain at least 6 feet apart. Masks are required and available upon request.

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Scheduled programs could change due to circumstances beyond our control.						1
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9 **LIBRARY CLOSED**	10 Basic Email Class @ 1:00 P.M. (Meeting Room A)	11	12	13 Storytime @ 1:30 P.M. (Meeting Room A)	14 Storytime @ 10:00 A.M. (Meeting Rooms A, B & C)	15 Writing Lab @ 1:30 P.M. (Meeting Room C) Young Adult Book Club @ 2:30 P.M. (Meeting Room A)
16	17 **SUMMER READING BEGINS** Finding the American Dream @ 6:30 P.M. (Meeting Rooms A, B & C)	18	19	20 Storytime @ 1:30 P.M. (Meeting Rooms A, B & C)	21 Storytime @ 10:00 A.M. (Meeting Rooms A, B & C)	22 Knot Just Knitters @ 2:30 P.M. (Meeting Room A)
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