



Library News

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Library Hours

9 a.m. - 8 p.m. Monday-Thursday

9 a.m. - 5 p.m. Friday & Saturday

1:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. Sunday

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CELEBRATE THE 5TH ANNIVERSARY OF OUR EXPANSION

Featuring illustrator Ard Hoyt

Celebrate the 5th Anniversary of the library expansion with nationally known illustrator and author Ard Hoyt! Join us for a special Celebrity Storytime with Ard on Saturday, June 3, at 10:30 a.m. Free book for ages 10 and under while supplies last!

Then at 1:30 p.m., Ard is leading an illustration workshop for ages 10 to adult. Free and open to aspiring artists/illustrators of all skill levels.

Seating is limited to 20 participants and registration is required. Sign up on our website event calendar.



WHAT'S NEW?

Our summer reading activities begin in earnest this month. Starting June 5, we will have three weekly storytimes, a movie day and Friday morning entertainment. New take-and-make crafts for all ages will be available every week. Special events like 4-H Summer STEM, Book Bingo and origami classes will enrich summer days.

We are marking the 5th anniversary of the library's expansion with a special guest on June 3. Ard Hoyt, a children's book illustrator and author, will be at the library to lead storytime, followed by an illustration workshop for aspiring artists.

Our Summer Speaker Series launches in June with two interesting topics - news editing and Hans Christian Andersen. We are offering a free stars & stripes themed laser cutter workshop as well.

Our ongoing programs, like our book clubs, Creative Coloring, and CHATS, round out a busy schedule. If you haven't signed up for the Summer Reading Program yet, it's time to get started! Sign up is simple - use the form on our website or see us at the service desk in the library.

SUMMER FAMILY ACTIVITIES

It's all happening at the library!

This summer features ongoing weekly events for the whole family. Best of all—they're free!

Get Crafty on Mondays in June with "Making Mondays" take-and-make kits for kids, teens and adults. Three kits available each week while supplies last.

Wednesday Movie Matinees feature child-friendly movies that the whole family can enjoy.

Fridays are all about fun! Friday Morning Fun offers free family entertainment like theatre, music, magic and animal encounters, suitable for all ages.

Storytime is supersized over the summer. Every Monday is Storytime at the Library for infants through age 8. "STEAM" Stories for kids ages 6-12 is also on Mondays. Thursdays are Storytime in the Park for infants through age 8. Enjoy an outdoor storytime at one of our city parks.

Special events are scheduled throughout the summer, like 4-H Summer STEM, Book Bingo and origami art class. Check our summer reading schedule or online calendar for details.

SERVICE MILESTONE

Long-time Youth Services librarian Karen Drevo is retiring this summer after 35 years with the Norfolk Public Library. She has made a difference in many young lives and shared the joys of reading with several generations. Did you know that our Summer Reading Program started in 1947? Karen has led the program for the last 36 years, a staggering 47% of its existence!



SUMMER SPEAKER SERIES

Two sessions in June

Join us for a series of interesting programs sponsored by Humanities Nebraska. All programs are at 6:30 p.m. in Meeting Room A. The speaker series are free and open to the public.

June 7 – You Be the Editor: Long-time newspaper editor Kent Warneke discusses the role of the editor in balancing the interests of thousands of readers who have a right to information. Audiences will gain insight into the decision-making process of determining what stories should be pursued, how stories are verified and the process of deciding what to publish.

June 21 – Tales from Hans Christian Andersen: The delightful stories of Hans Christian Andersen are brought to life in the imaginations of audience members as Lisa Kramme shares tales by this great Danish author.

CHATS: CONVERSATIONAL ENGLISH PRACTICE

June 19 at 5:30 p.m.

Learning English? Practice your conversation skills at the library. Conversational English skills, or "Chats," are held once a month. Each "Chat" is an hour of listening and speaking practice. We will begin with a 15-minute large group conversation. The rest of the hour will have small group conversations using games and other activities.

The program is free and open to anyone wishing to practice their skills. Basic knowledge of English is recommended. This program is planned in partnership with Northeast Community College.



LIBRARY CLOSED FOR FATHER'S DAY

June 18

We will be closed on Sunday, June 18, in observance of Father's Day. Our digital library is always open! Regular open hours will resume on Monday.

SAVE THE DATE

July 29

Join us for the 28th Annual Golden Sower Literature Festival on Saturday, July 29, featuring nominated authors Alice B. McGinty, Dusti Bowling and Makiia Lucier. Tickets are available in advance at the library or online. Admission is free for students who have completed their Summer Reading Program record.



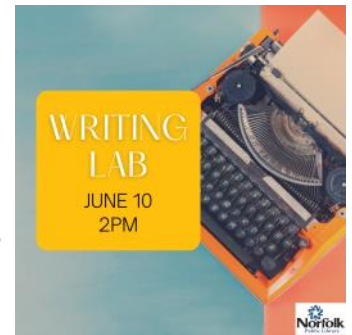
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WRITING LAB

June 10 at 2 p.m.

Our Writing Lab program is a fun and inspiring space for writers of all experience levels to explore their craft. All teen and adult writers and aspiring writers are welcome. Each month, different exercises or activities are explored to help boost creativity and confidence. No registration is necessary. Free! Writing Lab meets in Meeting Room C.



Like writing? Sign up for our Summer Reading Program essay contest. Write and submit a type-written original essay with a kindness/friendship theme. Entries are due Friday, July 7.

CLASSIC POETRY

SONNET

By Willa Cather

Alas, that June should come when thou didst go;
I think you passed each other on the way;
And seeing thee, the Summer loved thee so
That all her loveliness she gave away;
Her rare perfumes, in hawthorn boughs distilled,
Blushing, she in thy sweeter bosom left,
Thine arms with all her virgin roses filled,
Yet felt herself the richer for thy theft;
Beggared herself of morning for thine eyes,
Hung on the lips of every bird the tune,
Breathed on thy cheek her soft vermilion dyes,
And in thee set the singing heart of June.
And so, not only do I mourn thy flight,
But Summer comes despoiled of her delight.





ORIGAMI ART CLASSES

June 10

Learn the art of origami with Linda Stephen, author and illustrator of “The Day We Went to the Park.” For all experience levels. Two separate classes will be held. Meets in the Youth Activity Room. Free and open to the public. No registration is required.

Ages 8-12: 10:30-11:30 a.m.

Ages 13-adult: 1-2:30 p.m.



STARS & STRIPES LASER CUTTER WORKSHOP

June 22 at 3:30 p.m.

Make a patriotic star stand using Corel Draw and the Laser Cutter. All supplies are provided. No prior experience needed, but basic computer skills are helpful. For ages 12-adult. Space is limited, so registration is required. Sign up on our website event calendar. Free.

ALEX KAVA AT THE SPRING BOOK FAIR

The best-selling author visited Norfolk on April 29

Our first Spring Book Fair was a fun day of celebrating reading. We were joined by 17 regional authors for an author fair. The highlight of the day was a writing workshop and presentation by Alex Kava.

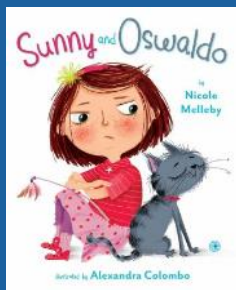
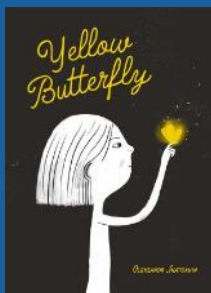


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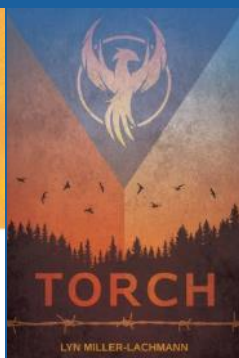
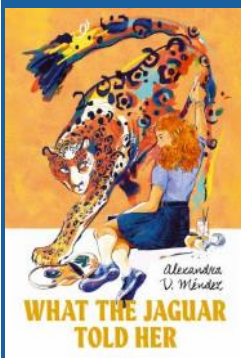
Recent Acquisitions

Stop in to see what else is new!

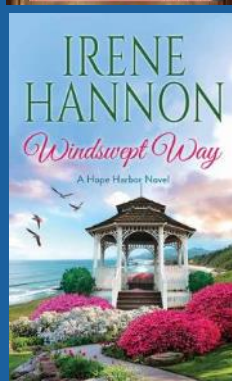
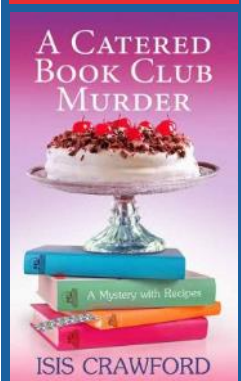
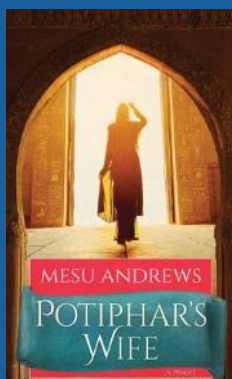
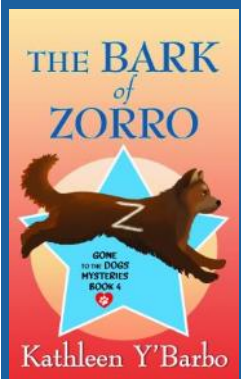
Childrens



Young Adult



Large Print



TECH TUTORING

We are here to help

Need a little help with your phone or computer? Book a free appointment with our Tech Tutors. Fill out a tech tutoring request at the service desk. Our techs will schedule an appointment with you.



FREE MONTHLY PROGRAMS

KNOT JUST KNITTERS: Saturdays, June 3 and 24, at 2:30 p.m. This is a fun and friendly group for knitters, crocheters, weavers and handwork enthusiasts. Bring a project to work on and enjoy learning from each other and making new friends. Newcomers are always welcome. Contact Jessie at 402-844-2100 for more information. Meets in the Activity Room.

CREATIVE COLORING FOR ADULTS: Enjoy an hour of relaxing coloring every Monday at 2:00 p.m. The library provides color pencils, coloring pages and books. This program is open to adults of all abilities. Newcomers are always welcome. Meets in Meeting Room A.

WRITING LAB: Saturday, June 10, at 2 p.m. For adults and teens, please contact Anneka at 402-844-2100 or aramirez@norfolkne.gov for more information. Newcomers are always welcome. This is a fun and safe space for writers to explore their craft.

TUESDAY NIGHT BOOK CLUB: June 27 at 6:30 p.m. For adults, contact Jessica at 402-844-2100 or jchamberlain@norfolkne.gov for more information. Newcomers are always welcome. June's book is *Wrong Place Wrong Time* by Gillian McAllister.

WEDNESDAY MORNING BOOK CLUB: June 28 at 10:00 a.m. For adults, contact Karen at 402-844-2100 or kdrevo@norfolkne.gov for more information. Newcomers are always welcome. Meets in the Activity Room. This month's book is *The Silent Patient* by Alex Michaelides.

20S & 30S BOOK CLUB: June 20 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. This month's book is *Black Cloud Rising* by David Wright Falade.

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WEDNESDAY MOVIE MATINEE

1:30 p.m. every Wednesday

Children seven and under must be accompanied by a responsible guardian at least 16 years old. No adults admitted unless accompanying a child.

June 7: *The Fox and the Hound*

June 14: *Charlotte's Web*

June 21: *Trolls*

June 28: *Homeward Bound*



FREE YOUTH PROGRAMS

STORYTIME: Infants through age 8 are invited to enjoy a fun combination of books, songs, Spanish language experiences, storytelling, finger plays, poems, puppets and creative early language and literacy activities. Storytime is a great introduction to library visits and literary experiences. Storytime is Mondays at 10 a.m. STEAM Storytime is Mondays at 11 a.m. Both meet in the Youth Activity Room. Storytime in the Park is Thursdays at 10 a.m. starting June 8. See our schedule for location details.

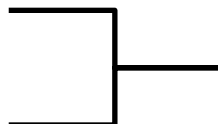
TEEN BOOK CLUB: Thursday, June 1, at 5:15 p.m. Teen Book Club is for any teenager who loves to read and talk about books. Group members select what books they want to read. Newcomers are always welcome. Contact Jessie in the Youth Services Department at 402-844-2100 or jroberts@norfolkne.gov for more information. This month's book is *Year of the Reaper* by Makiia Lucier. Makiia will be at our Golden Sower Literature Festival in July. Teen Book Club meets in the Youth Activity Room.

LEGO® TIME: LEGO Time will be back next fall! For those in kindergarten through 6th grade, this is a fun and creative opportunity to build imaginative, new projects using the library's LEGO® collection. Come see our new bricks, figures and accessories recently added to the collection. Meets in Meeting Room A.

GOLDEN SOWER BOOK CLUB: Monday, June 26, at 4:00 p.m. 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. All books are provided by the library, and newcomers are always welcome. Contact Jessie in the Youth Services Department at 402-844-2100 or jroberts@norfolkne.gov for more information. This month's book is *Across the Desert* by Dusti Bowling. Dusti will be at our Golden Sower Literature Festival in July. Golden Sower Book Club meets in the Youth Activity Room.

1000 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 may take from a few months to a few years, depending on how often you read. The most important predictor of school success is being read to at home during early childhood. Children earn a free book and prize for every 100 books read. Just one book a day equals more than 1,000 in three years. The concept is simple, but the rewards are priceless!

back and relax all you need is a book." - Dr. Seuss



SAVE THE DATE!

JUNE 2023

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
<p><i>Scheduled activities could change due to circumstances beyond our control.</i></p>				1 5:15pm Teen Book Club	2	3 10:30am Celebrity Storytime 1:30pm Illustration Workshop 2:30pm Knot Just Knitters
4	5 10am Storytime 11am STEAM Storytime 2pm Creative Coloring for Adults	6	7 1:30pm Kids' Movie Matinee 6:30pm Summer Speaker Series	8 10am Storytime at Central Park	9 10am Friday Fun	10 10:30am Origami Art ages 8-12 1pm Origami Art ages 13+ 2pm Writing Lab
11	12 10am Storytime 11am STEAM Storytime 2pm Creative Coloring for Adults	13	14 1:30pm Kids' Movie Matinee	15 10am Storytime at Skyview Park 1:30pm Tween Trivia Time	16 10am Friday Fun	17
18 CLOSED FOR FATHER'S DAY	19 10am 4-H Summer STEM 10am Storytime 11am STEAM Storytime 2pm Creative Coloring for Adults 5:30pm CHATS	20 10am 4-H Summer STEM 6:30pm 20/30 Book Club	21 10am 4-H Summer STEM 1:30pm Kids' Movie Matinee 6:30pm Summer Speaker Series	22 10am 4-H Summer STEM 10am Storytime at Central Park 3:30pm Laser Cutter workshop	23 10am Friday Fun	24 2:30pm Knot Just Knitters
25	26 10am Storytime 11am STEAM Storytime 2pm Creative Coloring for Adults 4pm Golden Sower Book Club	27 6:30pm Tuesday Night Book Club	28 10am Wednesday Morning Book Club 1:30pm Kids' Movie Matinee	29 10am Storytime at Ta Ha Zouka Park 1:30pm Book Bingo	30 10am Friday Fun	