







Fall @ the Cordova Library

Do You Qualify for Property Tax Relief?

If you want to find out if you qualify for property tax relief or you simply want someone to explain your property tax bill, make plans to attend this presentation by Charles Tague, Cordova Township Assessor, on Wednesday, September 11 at 1:00 p.m. Mr. Tague will help you better understand your property tax bill and outline all of the available property tax exemptions. It is possible that you are eligible for property tax relief. Please bring your tax bill and questions. Also, please sign up so we know how many people to expect. Sign up by phone (309-654-2330), email (cordovalibrary@gmail.com) or in person.

Book Sale

It's time for the Book Sale!! The sale will start on Monday, September 23rd at 9am. For a suggested donation of \$5 per bag, you will get a large assortment of donated items and materials discarded from the library's collection. The sale will continue through the following Monday. On Saturday, September 28th—we suggest a donation of \$1 per bag of books. On Monday, September 30th—the remaining books/materials will be free!

Monarch Butterflies

The Library has a limited number of Monarch Butterfly tags through Monarch Watch. This project tags Monarchs and will try to track them to Mexico. If found in Mexico with a tag, it will be reported back to the library in the spring. Stop in and get the information on tagging and see our butterfly habitat! So far, we have had 3 girls hatched and released.

Check out: Monarchwatch.org

Fraud Prevention by TBK Bank

Wednesday, September 18th @ 1pm Monday, October 14th @ 6pm

TBK Bank will provide a seminar on Fraud Prevention. This hour long presentation will focus on the different kinds of fraud and how to keep your information safe in the internet age.

Light refreshments will be provided.

Please call 654-2330

to register for this event.

CORDOVA LIBRARY QUILTERS

Cordova Library Quilters meet the 3rd Tuesday of the month at 1:00, September thru May. Please feel welcome to join us! We begin the meetings with inspirational show and tell.

The Quilters handle the monthly "Quilt of the Month" display in the library, featuring a local quilter's artwork.

September 17th—Sewing fleece hats for donation

October 15th—Hands on armchair sewing caddy plus a technique demo by Linda Klyman



Do Your Own Thing

Fridays
September 20th October 25th
10:00-3:00

Your chance to work on whatever you want! Sew, scrap, paint, mend, draw, etc. 15 tables available - sign up early! Potluck...bring a dish to share.

Collecting Plastic Lids & Plastic Bottle Caps

River Cities Rotary is now collecting lids and bottle caps to make benches for our community. The Cordova Library is a drop off site for lids and bottle caps that are labeled Recycle # 2, 4 or 5. Some examples are: drink bottle caps (soda, water, juice, sport drinks), laundry detergent caps, yogurt lids, peanut butter jar lids and coffee can lids. Check out our website at www.cordovalibrary.com for the complete list. Please make sure that lids and caps are washed thoroughly.

Cordova District Library

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Hours:

Mon & Wed 9-8:00 Tues & Thurs 1-8:00 Fri 9-5:00 Sat 9-1:00 www.cordovalibrary.com

Notary Services

Cordova Library offers Notary Services free of charge. Please remember that you need to sign your forms <u>in</u>
<u>front</u> of the Notary.

You are invited to join River Valley Writers group!

10:00-12:00 Wednesdays

- September 25th
 - October 23rd



Writing can be hard, but it doesn't have to be lonely.

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Library Delivery Available

Just had surgery? Can't drive to the Library? Want to see a friendly face? Cordova Library offers homebound delivery of materials. Call the Library at 654.2330 to check out the materials and schedule a delivery!

Crochet Group Tuesdays at 4pm

Bring your project to work on with friends. If you are interested in learning how to crochet, stop by and the ladies will help you get started. Questions, call the Library at 654-2330.

American Legion Meetings

Wednesday, Sept. 18th @ 7pm Wednesday, Oct. 16th @ 7pm



The American Legion is the nation's largest wartime veterans service organization, committed to mentoring youth and sponsorship of wholesome programs in our communities, advocating patriotism and honor, promoting strong national security, and continued devotion to our fellow service members and veterans.

History of Cordova Schools From The Spirit Survives!

Oral History of High School Days in an Illinois Village Along the Mississippi River 1887-1955

Through history, Cordova High School was held in the Cordova Grade School building built in 1863. It was a four room, two storied stone building housing both the grade and high schools. The upper floor contained the high school students with grade school on the lower floors. The high school was a two year school with students graduating from 1887 through 1918, some students left the area to complete their education. In 1918, the High School was extended to a three year high school.

In 1920, the upper floors of the building were declared unsafe. Representatives discussed building a new high school for the combined areas. In the meantime, the Methodist Church was rented to house the high school and the educational system was changed to offer a three-year program. An election in April 1920 approved building the new high school. Construction began in October 1921 with completion August, 1922. The new building was ready for occupancy for the 1922-1923 school year and began the four-year program. Mr. Alfred Bosley was the first principal.

In June 1923, Cordova Community High School became an accredited high school with the University of Illinois. Classes were held until 1955 when low enrollment, declining tax base and new guidelines from the state dictated the consolidation of schools. The district was broken up. Students went to Erie high School and Port Byron High School, which later became the Riverdale Community Unit School District.

Written by Florence Bennett

Library Book Club

The Cordova Library Book Club meets the first Tuesday of the month at 1:00. Let us order a book in for you to read and join us for discussion!

October 1st—They May Not Mean To, but They Do by Cathleen Schine

From Amazon: From one of America's greatest comic novelists, a hilarious new novel about aging, family, loneliness and love. The Bergman clan has always stuck together, growing as it incorporated in-laws, ex-in-laws, and same-sex spouses. But families don't just grow, they grow old, and the clan's matriarch, Joy, is not slipping into old age with the quiet grace her children, Molly and Daniel, would have wished. When Joy's beloved husband dies, Molly and Daniel have no shortage of solutions for their mother's loneliness and despair, but there is one challenge they did not count on: the reappearance of an ardent suitor from Joy's college days. And they didn't count on Joy herself, a mother suddenly as willful and rebellious as their own kids.

November 5th—Uncommon Type by Tom Hanks

From Amazon: A collection of 17 wonderful short stories showing that two-time Oscar winner Tom Hanks is as talented a writer as he is an actor. A gentle Eastern European immigrant arrives in New York City after his family and his life have been torn apart by his country's civil war. A man who loves to bowl rolls a perfect game - and then another and then another and then many more in a row until he winds up ESPN's newest celebrity, and he must decide if the combination of perfection and celebrity has ruined the thing he loves. An eccentric billionaire and his faithful executive assistant venture into America looking for acquisitions and discover a down and out motel, romance, and a bit of real life. These are just some of the tales Tom Hanks tells in this first collection of his short stories. They are surprising, intelligent, heartwarming, and, for the millions and millions of Tom Hanks fans, an absolute must-have!

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Make It Mondays

Want to try something new? Registration is required for the upcoming sessions:

Monday, September 30th—Fall/Pumpkin Decor Monday, October 28th—Thanksgiving Wreath

Cordova Crafternoons

Come to the Cordova Library to make handmade cards! Materials and examples will be provided every two months.

> Wednesday, October 2nd @ 1pm Wednesday, December 4th @ 1pm

Kalona, Iowa Luncheon & Shopping

Thursday, October 3rd @ 8:30am \$35 per person

Experience a culinary adventure in a country setting, a meal served family style in a conservative Mennonite home. Our lunch will include fried chicken, mashed potatoes, sides and a dessert. A program about the Amish and Mennonite way of life will accompany the meal. Then, we will explore the businesses of downtown Kalona. Seating is limited for this trip. Sign up by September 17th to attend.

Check out our website at www.cordovalibrary.com



Join Pam Geregova for:

Zumba! At Cordova Library
Thursday evenings
from 5:00-6:00
6.00 per session
Special 5 class punch card! Once you reach your paid 5
classes—get one free class!

CORDOVA LIBRARY SERVICES

Delivery to homebound
Free Wi-Fi
Photocopier (color)
Fax machine
Public computers
Meeting room available
Notary on staff
CD/DVD Disk clean/repair
Public Scanner
Materials including: audiobooks, large
print books, CD's, DVD'S, magazines
eMaterials: Kanopy (movies), eRead

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Cordova Firefighter's Pancake Breakfast

Sunday, October 13th 8:00am-Noon Cordova Fire Station

The Cordova Firefighters will be serving pancakes, sausage, eggs, hash browns, juice, milk and coffee at their annual pancake breakfast. Donations are appreciated to help fund community education on fire safety and equipment for the Firefighter's Association.

Library Card Sign Up

September is Library Card Sign Up Month!

New patrons that sign up for a library card will be placed in a drawing for a gift card.

Current patrons stopping in may place their name in for a gift card drawing.

Summer Reading Program Wrap Up

Thank you to our sponsors of A Universe of Stories Summer Reading Program. The Library was able to take kids to the Family Museum in Bettendorf and iFLY Indoor Skydiving in Naperville because of the following sponsors: Exelon, 3M Club, Matcon, River Cities Rotary, First Trust and Savings Bank and Blackhawk Bank & Trust.

Our Junior Explorers read a total of 365 books with Autumn Tessendorf getting a prize for reading the most books. The Explorers read a total of 37,322 minutes!! Addison Tiesman read 2,938 minutes to win a \$25 gift card. Thank you to all who participated in our summer reading adventure!

Stone Pendant Necklace Wednesday, October 9th at 1pm

Susan Magnuson will be leading a class on making your own stone pendant necklace. The materials will be provided but seating is limited to 12 people. This necklace will feature a stone pendant and a mixture of different kinds of beads.

Story Time Friday mornings 10:00-11:00

Join Chalyn for Story Time where we will be using movement for gross motor skills, stations for fine motor skills and of course stories!

Our Fall Session will run through December 20th!

Make Your Own Scrunchies Monday, October 14th 1-3pm

No school—-So come and sew your own hair scrunchies. We will have the materials and sewing machines to sew your own custom hair scrunchie.

Pop Up Handmade Cards Monday, September 16th @ 1pm

David Smith from Smith Galleries in Geneseo, IL will teach us how to make pop up cards. All materials will be provided for this class. Seating is limited, so sign up early.

Please Help - We Have a Good Problem

We live in a giving and generous community. Many people think of the library when they have books. craft supplies and plastic caps to donate. That is wonderful. The problem we're having is people are depositing donations in the outdoor book drop. Library materials are sometimes lost or damaged because of this practice. We sincerely appreciate your donations and will gratefully continue to accept them. At the same time, we need to take care of the library materials. So, please bring donations in during regular hours of operation and use the book drop for library materials only.

Thank you!

Community Conversations

Wednesday, October 16th @ 1pm

Have you ever wondered about the history of our area?

Join us for an informal discussion of the history and happenings of Cordova and surrounding area. If you have any Cordova memorabilia that you would like to share, please bring it with you. We love to see old photographs, newspapers or scrapbooks of times gone by!

Banned Book Week September 22nd-28th

Captain Underpants, The Hunger Games, Brave New World, and To Kill a Mockingbird...are all books that have been challenged!



stop in the cordova Library For a special Treat on Halloween...

we love to see the costumes!

CORDOVA TOWNSHIP PARK DISTRICT

Hope everyone had a great summer!

At the July meeting of the Park District the board accepted the resignation of Donn Larson and Beverly Larson. Mr. & Mrs. Larson have moved out of the Park District.

Donn Larson was one of the original members of the Park District and has served as president since 2011. Beverly Larson has served on the board since 2016. The Board would like to thank Mr. & Mrs. Larson for their contribution to the Park District.

John and Christine Filbert have agreed to fill the vacancies and were appointed at the July meeting. John and Chris are long time residents of Cordova Township. John served on the Cordova Fire Protection District and Chris was Township Road Commissioner.

The Board would like to take this opportunity to Thank the Fire Department for removing mud that accumulated on the walk path from the flood waters. Also, thanks to Two Rivers Lawn & Landscape for the extra work in cleaning the flood area.

Another Thank You to Tracy Downey and Jake Downey for planting and attending to flowers and plants throughout the park.

Next meeting of the Board is September 25th at 6:30 p.m. The board meetings are held at the Civic Center.

Genealogy @ Cordova Library

Interested in finding out about your family's history and where you came from?

Come to the Library to learn how to use Ancestry.com. Our library has the World Explorer subscription to Ancestry. This provides access to 15+ billion records from all 50 U.S. states, and 3+ billion worldwide records. Building your family tree is easy with Ancestry!

If your ancestor came though Ellis Island, there are amazingly detailed records from www.libertyellisfoundation.org. Photographs of the ships are included on this website.

Call to book an appointment with Chalyn to get started on your journey.

Fabric Workshops with Cheryl & Sue

Dye Workshop

A dye workshop is scheduled for Friday, October 18th, 2019 at 1:00. The following colors will be available to use. Please choose one color when signing up.

Autumn Blend
Prism
Change of Seasons
Flower Garden
Stones and Shells
Tutti Fruity
VanGogh
Succulent Garden

A supply list will be available when you sign up for this workshop. You can email cordovalibrary@gmail to sign up.

Quilt As You Go

A new workshop to use your dyed fabrics!

On Thursday, October 24th at 1:00, use your dyed fabrics (or other purchased fabrics) to make a quilted 9x13 hot pad.

A supply list will be available when you sign up for this workshop.

You can email cordovalibrary@gmail to sign up.

Cordova Library Friends Group

Our Cordova Library Friends are open to anyone who would like to help the library. Meeting Date:

Wednesday, November 6th @ 9am— Newsletter Folding

Line Dancing

If you like to move & groove to music, please join us for a Line Dance class at the Cordova District Library.

The class is held Tuesday evenings, 6:15-7:45 p.m. Instructor Cindy Baker has years of experience as a dancer, and teacher for beginning & advanced students. She also mixes up the music, so we get to dance to country, rock & roll, classical, hip hop - all kinds of tunes! Each 90 minute class is \$5.00 per person.

Please stop by the library to sign up.

Cordova Clean Up Days

Saturday, Oct 19th & Sunday, Oct. 20th

dumpsters located at the Civic Center

E-Waste Drop Off Saturday, October 19th Cordova Village Hall

What to do with Cordova Memorabilia??

Do you have historical items from our community? Are you unsure what to do with it? Please bring items into the library to see if we can add it to our collection. Our community archives include photos, scrapbooks, programs, dishes, etc. The Library is always looking to add to the collection!

Newsletter Request:

If you would like to receive this newsletter by email, please email the library at cordovalibrary@gmail.com.





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Coming Soon: We are Getting A New Roof!

We are excited to announce that we are getting a new roof. The Library Board conducted a sealed bid process and awarded the contract to the lowest bidder, Economy Roofing out of Bettendorf, Iowa. The current shingles will be replaced with a metal roof colored Mansard Brown.

We have an architectural rendering of the new roof on display at the library. The project is expected to begin towards the end of September. We plan to remain open during the roof replacement project. Sections of the parking lot may be restricted at times.