

NEWSLETTER

Open for Browsing!

Thank you for supporting the Library during these changing times. We appreciate your patience, flexibility and encouragement as we have navigated through the dizzying effects of the pandemic. Our region recently moved from Tier 3 to Tier 2 to Tier 1 to Phase 4 within a matter of days. We are doing our best to offer as many services as is safely possible within the recommended CDC, State and County Health Department guidelines. As of this printing, we are open for in-person browsing, computer usage, notary services, copies and faxing. No appointment necessary! Please remember to wear your mask and disinfect your hands when you come in the building. The DIY and seating areas remain closed. We are discussing how to safely host groups inside the library and hope we are able to do that soon.

The pandemic has given us the opportunity to experiment with different library hours. We have decided, starting February 1st, the library hours are as follows: Monday-Thursday 9am-7pm, Friday 9am-4pm and Saturday 9am-1pm. It is exciting! You will not have to remember if we are closed Tuesday or Thursday morning and you can come during lunchtime!

Please know that we have missed seeing you in the library. Stop by and enter into our Winter Learning Challenge give away (more information found on page 3).

We will continue to offer curbside pickup and the home delivery services. If you cannot drive to the library, please call 654-2330 and we will schedule a time to deliver to your house. Please take us up on this....we even have cool new magnets for our vehicles when we go out for delivery!

Cordova Community Conversations Podcast

The Cordova Library is starting a podcast! You may be wondering what in the world is a podcast. A podcast is a recorded conversation that can be played anytime—think of a radio interview but recorded.

The Cordova Library is one of 200 libraries in the nation and one of 11 libraries in Illinois that has been selected to participate in Libraries Transforming Communities: Focus on Small and Rural Libraries, an American Library Association (ALA) initiative that helps library workers better serve their small and rural communities. The competitive award comes with a \$3,000 grant that will help the library start a podcast.

Our focus of the podcast is to share current local news and delve into the history of Cordova. We hope to launch the podcast in February, so watch for our announcement on Facebook or our website.

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Cordova Library has an App!!

To download the App, go to Google Play or iTunes store and look for PrairieCat mobile app. Once downloaded to your device, find and choose Cordova District Library. Go to your account and add your library card number. The PIN is the last 4 digits of your library card number.

Now you can place holds, view holds and see your reading history. Also, all of our E-Resources are listed in the app. Any questions, please call the library for tech support.

February Promotion—Cordova **Library Mugs or Water Bottle**

Adults—check out 10 items during the month of February and receive our new Cordova Library coffee mug or water bottle.

Kids—check out 20 items during February and receive a water bottle.







Pi Day



Monday, March 15, 2021

Stop by for our annual Pi Day celebrating mathematical Pi by eating pie. This year, we will have individual pieces of pie boxed up ready for you to take home and enjoy.

Preschool Screening & Kindergarten Round Up Riverdale Elementary

Kindergarten Round-Up Open House

March 10th from 3:00-6:00 pm Call Riverdale Elementary 309-523-3186 to sign up.

Riverdale Pre-K Screening

March 11th

Riverdale is hosting a community-wide developmental screening for children 3-5 years-old. Children are eligible for the screening if they are at least 3 years old before April 11th, 2021. Call the Elementary to sign up.

Preschool Screening & Kindergarten Round Up **Erie Elementary**

Kindergarten Round Up

There is not a date set yet. Please contact Rose Morine, Elementary Administrative Assistant, at 309-659-2239 or rmorine@ecusd.info to place your name on the Kindergarten Round Up contact list.

Pre-K Screening for Children Ages 3+ March 17th and March 19th

Please contact Erin Eckberg, Pre-K Coordinator, at 309-659-2239 extension 1512 to schedule your child for screening.

February Take & Make

This month's take and make is a Valentine's Day project. We will provide a wood board, paint and buttons. There will be pink, white or

red buttons available. You will need to provide glue.



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Story Time Fridays 9-Noon

Story Time by Appointment is back! Sign up Online through our Sign Up Genius link. One family at a time comes into the library for individualized story time. We meet for a story for 10 minutes, then families move into the library for checkout, snacks and their Story Time in a Bag kit. Links are on our Facebook page and website.

Hotspots Available

We have mobile hotspots available for check out. A mobile hotspot is portable Wi-Fi you can use to access the Internet from any place within Sprint's mobile network. Hotspots are portable and allow you to connect up to ten devices. Adult Cordova Library Cardholders in good standing (no fines or missing items) are eligible to borrow the hotspots. Our hotspots have provided internet access for the following...

- To connect to a business video conference
- To enjoy while camping
- To enjoy while driving long distances
- To use during long sporting events
- To participate in remote learning
- To stream movies
- To use while traveling and staying at a hotel (some hotel wi-fi services capture and sell your usage information)

Consolidated Elections Tuesday, April 6th

On the ballot...Village Board, Library Board, Township Supervisor, and School Board.



Vote Early or In-Person on the Day

Winter Learning Challenge February 2021

Our Winter Learning Challenge will start on February 1st and run through February 28th. This challenge is for all ages. Check out our challenge...

Adults

The Winter Learning Challenge for adults include the following:

- For each book read, you will receive 1 ticket for the drawings.
- If you complete a Take & Make, you will receive 1 ticket.
- Complete a learning challenge of making a recipe using the spices provided and receive 1 ticket for the drawing.

Prizes available for adults: Kindle Fire Table HD8 & various gift cards

Kids

The Winter Learning Challenge for kids will include the following:

- For each book read, you will receive 1 ticket for the drawings.
- Show us a completed project from a Story Time in a Bag and receive 1 ticket.
- Participate in Riverdale Robotic Rams STEM week in February. Receive 1 ticket for each project shown to us.

Prizes available for kids: Kindle Fire Tablet & various gift cards

Special drawing...stop in and say Hi! and receive 1 ticket for a gift card drawing.

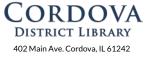
Hours of Operation

Monday through Thursday:

9:00am-7:00pm

Friday: 9:00am—4:00pm

Saturday: 9:00am-1:00pm









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Senior Luncheons are Back...sort of! Friday, February 12th from 11am-12pm

Cordova Township along with Cordova District Library are offering a box lunch to Cordova Seniors. If you are 55 and older and live in Cordova, you can call the Library to reserve your box lunch. The box lunch will consist of either a ham or turkey sandwich on a homemade snowflake roll, coleslaw, pasta salad and a Valentine's cookie!

We will distribute the box lunches on Friday, February 12th from 11am-Noon at the Cordova Civic Center. Pull up to the building entrance at the Civic Center and we will bring your lunches to your car.

Thank you to Harvest Bakery & More in Erie, IL for making our lunches!

Call 654-2330 to sign up!