



## Lunch & Learn



**Four Shillings Short**  
**Wednesday, March 15th**  
Noon-Luncheon  
1pm-Concert "A Celebration of Ireland"

A CELEBRATION OF IRELAND takes the audience on a journey to the Emerald Isle with Traditional toe-tapping tunes, songs in Gaelic and English, folklore, history and Irish poetry. Four Shillings Short, the husband/wife duo of Aodh Og O'Tuama from Cork, Ireland and Christy Martin from California, have been touring in the US & Ireland since 1997.

Four Shillings Short are independent folk-artists who perform 100 concerts a year, have released 13 recordings and live as full time Troubadours traveling from town to town performing at music festivals, theatres & performing arts centers, folk societies, libraries, house concerts and schools.

Four Shillings Short music will be available for sale after the concert.

**Vintage Aprons with Tami Findlay**  
**Monday, April 17th**  
Noon-Luncheon  
1pm-Program

Tami Finley spent her 40 year career as a public librarian in Iowa and Illinois. During her tenure she planned many programs. She discovered a niche for programming about vintage aprons and The Art of the Apron was launched in June 2019. Finley has amassed a collection of over 200 aprons and brings their art and history to her programs along with



anecdotal stories. The versatile apron conjures up many memories and **you are encouraged to bring an apron and share your own story!**

When the pandemic hit and programming opportunities ceased Finley turned to another love and began creating greeting cards based on the patterns of vintage aprons. A selection of cards will be offered for sale at her program.

**Sign up is required for our Lunch & Learns.**

### *Boating Safety Class*

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Mississippi River Project will be partnering with Illinois Department of Natural Resources to put on a free boating safety class on **Saturday, April 29<sup>th</sup> at the Cordova Library from 9am – 5pm.** This class is recommended for people who are new to boating, families that enjoy weekend boating adventures, or seasoned boaters who would like to brush up on their safe boating knowledge.

This class will cover the basics of boating safety, equipment requirements, navigation, motorboat registration and titling, emergency measures and boating laws. Persons 12 and over completing the minimum eight hours of instruction and successfully completing the final examination will receive an Illinois DNR Boat Safety Certification which is honored in both Iowa and Illinois. Illinois residents born on or after January 1, 1998 are required to complete the course in order to obtain their safe boating card. This is a classroom based safety course and will not include any on-the-water experience. Pre-Registration is required. *Participants must be 12 years or older and those under 18 must be accompanied by an adult.*

**Embroidery Class**  
**Saturday, March 4th @ 10am**  
**&**  
**Saturday, April 1st @ 10am**

Mississippi River Valley Embroiderers Guild returns for more classes. During the March class, students will learn a fly stitch, feather stitch and if time, the leaf stitch.

The April class will focus on couching.

Please bring the doodle cloth and needles from previous stitching sessions. We will have supplies for those who need them.

Call 654-2330 to sign up for these classes.

**Attention-New Program Alert!!**

**Mocktail Mondays**

Monday, March 6th @ 6pm  
 Pour Painting

Monday, April 3rd @ 6pm  
 Alcohol Inks

During Mocktail Mondays, we will craft, enjoy a non-alcoholic drink and have great conversations. Registration is required.

**Family Bingo**

Friday, March 31st & Friday, April 28th  
 5pm-7pm

All ages are invited to join us for Family Bingo night. All supplies will be provided (if you have a lucky dauber-bring it!).

Bring your own food and non-alcoholic drinks.

Registration is required.



**Card Making**

Wednesday, March 8th @ 1pm  
 Wednesday, April 12th @ 1pm

Handmade card class is back! Sign up to use our supplies and make a stash of handmade cards. There will be examples to work from.

**Book Sale**

March 27th-April 1st



Our spring book sale will feature movies, audiobooks, adult fiction and non-fiction books. Due to lack of storage space, donations of books will be accepted starting on March 27th.

**Make it Mondays**

**March 20th @ 1pm**

March's class will be making Tin Can Wall Pocket Planters. **Class size is limited to 12 participants.**

**April 10th @ 1pm**

For April's class, we will sew an easy apron in anticipation of the Apron program on April 17th. **Class size is limited to 8 participants.**

**Cordova Library Book Club**

We meet on the first Tuesday of the month at 10:00 am.

**April 4th**

**The Kitchen Front by Jennifer Ryan**



**May 2nd**

**The Lost Man by Jane Harper**

**Kalona, Iowa**

**Luncheon & Shopping**

**Tuesday, April 25th @ 8:15 am**

**\$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 April 7th to attend.

**Cordova District Library**

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# In Our Community...

## Cordova Township

### Spring Cleanup

Cemetery Spring clean up dates are March 15-31<sup>st</sup>. All decorations to be retained should be removed prior to these dates. Graves can be appropriately decorated after April 1<sup>st</sup>.

### Annual Town Meeting April 11, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.

Please join us at the Cordova Township Civic Center for the Annual Town Meeting. This meeting gives our community an update on the finances of the Township as well as a voice to bring your ideas of what you would like to see in our community. All registered voters in the Township have the opportunity to vote on how the township will spend funds. Last date to request an agenda item is March 1<sup>st</sup>. Contact Pam Bruner at 309-654-2447 or 309-553-1307. We need your voice for change in our community! Join the conversation on April 11, 2023.

### Tax Assessor

Assessments on property are going up substantially in 2023 payable 2024 due to the Department of Revenue's 2019 cost schedules that we are currently using this year. Previous years we were using the 2012 cost schedules. As we all know, the cost of everything has gone up since 2012. What this means is your property value will go up. This does not mean your taxes are going up. Taxes only go up when the taxing bodies raise their levies. (Schools, County, Black Hawk College, Libraries, Townships, Fire Departments).

So that being said I am encouraging everybody to think about getting a appraisal done on their property. This will give everybody a peace of mind if their property assessment goes up. There are many exemptions that are available to some people. If you are turning 65 this year, please get a hold of the assessor's office at 309-654-2865 and we will get you signed up for the senior exemption, that is a \$5000 exemption that you do not pay taxes on.  
Charles Tague  
Township Assessor

### Hours of Operation:

**Monday through Thursday: 9:00am—7:00pm**  
**Friday: 9:00am—4:00pm**  
**Saturday: 9:00am-1:00pm**

## Pi Day Tuesday, March 14th

Celebrate your favorite mathematical holiday at the Library by enjoying pie! A variety of pies will be available to sample.



## Surface Design with Cheryl Tuesday, March 21st -Paint Transfer 9:00-12:00

In March, students will experiment with paint transfer using parchment paper and fusible web! This technique is fun and a great idea to add to your surface design bag of tricks. Materials will be supplied.



Wear an apron to protect your clothes.

## Tuesday, April 18th-Gelli Plate Printing 9:00-12:00



Prepare to be addicted! This technique is so much fun! During this workshop, we will explore using our gelli plates (if you don't have one, please let us know in advance). Bring your gelli plate and an assortment of plain fabrics.

Wearing an apron is a must for this messy class!

## Library is open on Good Friday Friday, April 7th from 9am-4pm

### Diane Murtha Quilt Class Thursday, April 20th @ 10am Cost: \$45 to Diane Quilt as You Go Hexies

Like the look of traditional English Paper Piecing but don't want to do all that hand sewing? Try this class! Everything is done by machine! Your project can be as big or small as you like. It still can be sewn by hand if you chose. Everyone loves this class!

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## Senior Luncheon Friday, May 5th @ 11am

Mark your calendar for Friday May 5<sup>th</sup> for the first Senior Lunch of 2023. We will be celebrating Cinco De Mayo again this year. Sign up by April 26<sup>th</sup> by making a reservation at Cordova Township  
Email: [clerk@cordovatownship.com](mailto:clerk@cordovatownship.com)  
Call: 309-654-2447 or  
Cordova Library Call: 309-654-2330



Free for Cordova Residents 55 and older. Area residents welcome to pay for their meal. Watch for the Township newsletter for more information.

**New this year for the Senior lunches we will have shred bins available for your discarded financial and personal documents that are no longer needed but you want to discard securely. Bins are locked and shredded by a reputable company.**

## DEA Drug Take Back Saturday, April 22nd from 10am-2pm Cordova Library

The Rock Island County Sheriff's Department will be at the Cordova Library for the Drug Enforcement Administration's National Take Back Event. This collaborative effort provides an opportunity to surrender expired, unwanted or unused pharmaceutical controlled substances and other medications.

On Collection Day:

- Bring controlled, non-controlled, and over the counter substances. Any solid dosage (tablets, capsules, etc.) in original containers will be accepted. It does not need to have labels removed. Small (pint size) bottles of cough syrups may be accepted if they are sealed in their original container.
- No needles, inhalers or other compressed air cylinders will be accepted.
- Drive into the Library's parking lot, drop off items from your car. No need to leave your vehicle!



**Art Camp #1 is June 26-June 30 and Art Camp #2 is July 10th-July 14th from 10-2pm. Sewing Camp is July 5th-6th from 10-Noon.**

**Sign up for Cordova residents will start on May 3, 2023 and May 11th for other area residents.**

**Paint the Road is June 3rd at Noon with a rain date of June 17th.**