



Welcome Fall!!

Pardon Our Future Mess



We are excited to announce our latest library improvement project. We are beginning the contracting process with Stichter Construction Company to build a new parking lot with additional spaces and a new retaining wall. The project is set to start in September and is scheduled for completion by October 31st. The library will remain open as much as possible during construction. Please check our website and Facebook page for updates. If you cannot access these online sources, please call ahead.

Why are we undertaking this project? We have experienced issues with water pooling, freezing, and creating hazards in our parking lot for some time. Additionally, we need extra parking during busy times. If you observe the retaining wall on the south side of the parking lot, you'll see how much it is bowing. The Village of Cordova has generously agreed to allow us to convert the grassy area between our parking lot and 4th Street—located on Village property—into 4-5 much-needed parking spaces. We extend our thanks to the Village Board Trustees for their help and support.

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CORDOVA DISTRICT LIBRARY



T-shirt sales
On sale
Sept. 1st-Sept. 15th

Cordova Library will be selling t-shirts and sweatshirts again this fall. This time, we will be ordering online through a custom store. You will have the option of paying to ship your purchases or pick up your merchandise at the Library. Delivery to the library will be the week of September 30th. We will have a link on our website to order or stop in the library with your credit card and we can help you purchase your items.

Science of Fire
Tuesday, October 8th @ 6pm
Cordova Fire Department

The Annual Science of Fire will be on October 8th at the Fire Department. This year, the Science of Fire will be held during Fire Prevention Week. All ages are invited to the fire department to learn about fire prevention and safety.

Also, come to see the new ladder truck!



Cordova Cares Summer Lunch Program

A HUGE Thank You to our community partners for another successful summer feeding kids in Cordova!! This summer we provided **2,020 lunches to 795 kids.**

The summer lunch program provided lunches twice a week for 11 weeks during the summer when kids are home from school. Thanks to our community sponsors, families in the community and our patrons for supporting this program.

Community Sponsors:

- Matcon
- Cordova Fire Protection District
- Village of Cordova
- Cordova Township
- Cordova Parks Department
- First Baptist Church of Cordova
- River Cities Rotary
- Toppert Jetting & the Sallows Family
- Multi-Township Assessment District
- Cordova District Library

In Our Community...

Cordova Fire Department Pancake Breakfast Sun., October 13th @ 7am



The annual Cordova Firefighter’s Association Pancake Breakfast. This year, they will be serving pancakes, sausage, eggs, coffee, orange juice. Breakfast is by donation.

Cordova Parks Department

We’re excited to invite you to Civic Center Park to experience our latest enhancements! We’ve upgraded the volleyball court and added a brand-new pavilion for your enjoyment. Whether you're looking to play, relax, or simply enjoy the outdoors, there’s something for everyone. Visit soon and make the most of your revitalized park!

Make it Monday

Monday, September 16th @ 1pm

Make your own stained glass succulent for your home. No need to cut glass—all pieces will be ready for you to design your own succulent. Sign up is limited, so call today to get on the list.



PTO Movie Night

Saturday, September 7th 6pm-9pm

Come celebrate being back to school at Riverdale with an outdoor movie with friends! We will be outside at the Elementary/high school.

Light concessions will be available. Bring lawn chairs, blankets and snacks to make yourself comfortable.



Movie time is at sundown - probably 7-7:30.

Story Time Fridays @ 10am In Cordova Library

Story Time is back in the Library for the fall! We will read stories, sing, dance and of course, play. Children of all ages are welcome to attend with guardian or babysitter.

Teen Corner

There are a lot of programs for teens this fall! These programs are for kiddos in Middle School and High School.

September

- ⇒ Glass Painting/Drawing on Wed., Sept. 4th @ 4:30-learn how to paint/draw in layers on a glass frame or jar.
- ⇒ Homecoming Week Prep Part 1: Planning on Wed., Sept. 11th @ 4:30-Plan outfit ideas and more for the homecoming week themes.
- ⇒ Slime and Snacks on Wed., Sept. 18th @ 1pm-Make slime and enjoy some snacks.
- ⇒ Teen Advisory on Mon., Sept. 23rd @4:30pm-Plan programs, give input and connect with our Youth Services staff member.
- ⇒ Homecoming Week Prep Part 2: Making on Wed., Sept. 25th @ 4:30-Make your outfits and more for the homecoming week themes. Must have attended Part 1.

October

- ⇒ Cookies & Cocoa on Wed., Oct. 9th @ 4:30-enjoy hot chocolate while eating/decorating cookies.
- ⇒ Mini Skeleton Customizing on Wed., Oct 16th @ 4:30-Decorate a mini skeleton to make it look like yourself, somebody you know, a famous person or other.
- ⇒ Carving/Painting Pumpkins on Fri., Oct 18th @ 1pm-Carve or Paint real pumpkins while enjoying snacks and drinks.
- ⇒ Teen Advisory on Mon., Oct. 21st @ 4:30pm-Plan programs, give input and connect with our Youth Services staff member
- ⇒ Costume Help on Wed., Oct 23rd @ 4:30-For those who need/want some help with their Halloween Costume **Sign up required.
- ⇒ Fall Fest @ Riverdale Schools on Thurs., Oct. 24th from 4pm-6pm.

Youth Services Contact: sfornero-green@cordovalibrary.com

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Cordova Library Book Club

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

Lessons in Chemistry
by Bonnie Garmus
October 1st @ 10am

A BEST BOOK OF THE YEAR: *The New York Times*, *Washington Post*, *NPR*, *Oprah Daily*, *Entertainment Weekly*, *Newsweek*

From Amazon: *Chemist Elizabeth Zott is not your average woman. In fact, Elizabeth Zott would be the first to point out that there is no such thing as an average woman. But it's the early 1960s and her all-male team at Hastings Research Institute takes a very unscientific view of equality. Except for one: Calvin Evans; the lonely, brilliant, Nobel-prize nominated grudge-holder who falls in love with—of all things—her mind.*

True chemistry results.

*But like science, life is unpredictable. Which is why a few years later Elizabeth Zott finds herself not only a single mother, but the reluctant star of America's most beloved cooking show *Supper at Six*. Elizabeth's unusual approach to cooking ("combine one tablespoon acetic acid with a pinch of sodium chloride") proves revolutionary. But as her following grows, not everyone is happy. Because as it turns out, Elizabeth Zott isn't just teaching women to cook. She's daring them to change the status quo.*

*Laugh-out-loud funny, shrewdly observant, and studded with a dazzling cast of supporting characters, *Lessons in Chemistry* is as original and vibrant as its protagonist.*

Homecoming Activities

Make a parade candy bucket
Week of Sept. 30th-Oct. 4th

Drop in to make your kiddo's personalized bucket to hold candy during the homecoming parade. We will have buckets, stickers and markers available all week.



Book Sale

September 9th-14th

Cordova Library will be having their semi-annual book sale starting September 9th. There will be fiction & non-fiction books, young adult books and DVDs available.

The main purpose for our book sale is to make room for new materials on our shelves. Therefore, we would prefer if you not bring back items from previous book sales. If you are wishing to donate materials to our sale, please bring them on Monday, September 9th.

As always, the book sale is by donation only. This time, donations are going to the Cordova Firefighter's Association. On Friday & Saturday, take as many books as you can!

Trick or Treat

Thursday, October 31st
Stop in the Library for some treats!



Crochet Group

NEW TIME!! Tuesdays @ 2pm

The crochet group will be moving their meeting time to 2pm on Tuesdays. Drop in anytime to work on projects or ask any questions.



Family Bingo

Friday, September 27th & Friday, October 25th**
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.

****may be canceled due to parking lot**

Hours of Operation:

Monday through Thursday: 9:00am—7:00pm

Friday: 9:00am—4:00pm

Saturday: 9:00am-1:00pm

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Cordova Park District & Cordova Library Lunch in the Civic Center Park Friday, September 13th @ Noon

Cordova residents are invited to join Cordova Parks Department as they introduce their new pavilion available to area residents. A catered lunch will be provided including pulled chicken & pork and various side dishes. Please call the Library to sign up. Must sign up by Wed., September 11th. Call 654-2330.

Cordova Cares—Cabinet

Our Cordova Cares Cabinet could use the following donations (new items only, please):

- Nike Crew socks in sizes Medium & Large in Black, White and Grey
- Athletic ankle and no show socks in Adult sizes or large boy sizes in preferably black, white or grey
- Laundry Pods
- Mechanical Pencils
- Lotion-body, face and hand in both scented and unscented varieties

Also needed: used graphing and scientific calculators for school.

Are You Interested in Being a Library Board Trustee?

We have two open board seats for the upcoming consolidated election on April 1, 2025. These positions are for six-year terms and are unpaid. If you are interested in running, please visit the Running for Office page on the Illinois State Board of Elections website (www.elections.il.gov – click on Running for Office) or contact Karen at the library (klonergan@cordovalibrary.com or 309-654-2330).

Candidates need to complete three forms: the Nonpartisan Petition, the Statement of Candidacy, and the Statement of Economic Interests. These completed forms must be filed with Karen Lonergan at the library between November 12 and November 18, 2024. Candidates will be listed on the ballot in the order their forms are received. You can find the forms on the Running for Office page of the Illinois State Board of Elections website or obtain copies from Karen.