
FRIENDS OF THORNTOWN PUBLIC LIBRARY

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November Closings

The library will close at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, November 11 for a program.

The library will close at 2:00 p.m. on Wednesday November 26th and remain closed on the 27th and 28th for Thanksgiving. TPL will reopen on Saturday, November 29th at 10:00 a.m.

TPL to Receive a \$10,000 Gift in Celebration of US's 250th Anniversary



Thorntown Public Library will be one of the Carnegie Libraries across America that will each receive a \$10,000 gift to commemorate the 250th anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence through a special initiative by Carnegie Corporation of New York. Libraries may use the funds however they wish to celebrate the 250th anniversary, further their mission, and benefit their community.

Scottish immigrant Andrew Carnegie funded the construction of 1,681 free public libraries in the United States between 1886 and 1917. As part of the Carnegie Libraries 250 special initiative, his philanthropic foundation reached out to each library and established that about 1,280 still operate and acknowledge their link to Carnegie, making them eligible for the celebratory gift. Approximately 750 of them continue to use their original buildings, while others have moved to new locations.



Cattington Bear

Congratulations to Chance! This fur-tastic feline strutted his stuff in Lebanon Reporter's Howl-o-ween pet costume contest and snagged the crown! Channeling his inner Paddington, Chance stole hearts and votes alike. When asked for a victory speech, the dapper kitty simply replied, "meow." Thanks to all his fans for the pawsome support!

A Native American Cultural Experience

Immerse yourself in Native American Culture for Native American Heritage Month. On November 5th, Drs. Paul-René and Andrea Tamburro will provide an interactive and hands-on program highlighting Woodland Indian arts and culture including copper and silver work, traditional stories, and music and dance. The program is designed to offer new knowledge to all ages. The program is free and will take place in the library meeting rooms from 6-8 p.m. Drs. Paul-René (Nulhegan Abenaki) & Andrea Tamburro (Shawnee & enrolled Nulhegan Abenaki) are Indigenous educators, social workers & artists.

Teen Glow-in-the-Dark Scavenger Hunt

All teens are invited to the library on Tuesday, November 11 at 6:30 p.m. to participate in a Glow in the Dark Scavenger Hunt. Explore the library in the dark and hunt for hidden glowing items with your blacklight! Prizes will be awarded to those who find the most. You won't want to miss it!



Medicare 101 - Thursday Nov. 6th 1:00-2:00

Significant changes are coming to Medicare in 2026! Do you know what they are? Come to a **FREE** educational presentation at the library to find out, and to get the answers you need to your other Medicare questions, as well!

This program is for anyone already on Medicare, anyone approaching Medicare age (turning 65), any spouses and/or children of those on Medicare who help make these types of decisions, and anyone under 65 who is on disability and is or will be receiving Medicare benefits as well.

Information covered will include:

- How can some qualify to have a lower Part B premium, or "Extra Help" paying for their prescriptions and/or Part D premiums?
- How and when can or should I enroll in Medicare?
- What are "Special Enrollment Periods" and why do some qualify to have these all year long?
- What does Medicare cover, what doesn't it cover, and what might be your potential out-of-pocket exposure?
- What to consider when choosing Supplements, Medicare Advantage plans and Part D Prescription Coverage, as well as cost saving strategies for the years ahead.

(The Medicare Annual Enrollment Period is October 15th - December 7th, each year).

Presented by LifeSmart Senior Services - not affiliated with or endorsed by the government or federal Medicare program.

COMMUNITY
BINGO

NOV. 14TH
6 - 7:30PM

FREE
TO PLAY

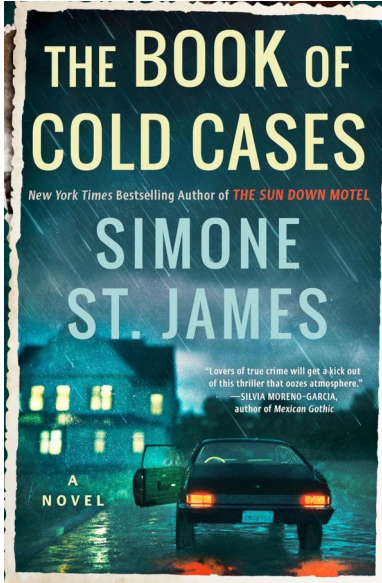
PRIZES &
SNACKS

ALL
AGES

November Book Discussion

Book discussion meets on the second Monday of each month and is open to all adult readers, even those who haven't completed the reading. On November 10th at 1:30 the book club will meet in the Room 116 to discuss ***The Book of Cold Cases*** by Simone St. James.

In 1977, Claire Lake, Oregon, was shaken by the Lady Killer Murders: Two men, seemingly



randomly, were murdered with the same gun, with strange notes left behind. Beth Greer was the perfect suspect—a rich, eccentric twenty-three-year-old woman, seen fleeing one of the crimes. But she was acquitted, and she retreated to the isolation of her mansion.

Oregon, 2017. Shea Collins is a receptionist, but by night, she runs a true crime website, the Book of Cold Cases—a passion fueled by the attempted abduction she escaped as a child. When she meets Beth by chance, Shea asks her for an interview. To Shea's surprise, Beth says yes.

They meet regularly at Beth's mansion, though Shea is never comfortable there. Items move when she's not looking, and she could swear she's seen a girl outside the window. The allure of learning the truth about the case from the smart, charming Beth is too much to resist, but even as they grow closer, Shea senses something isn't right. Is she making friends with a manipulative murderer, or are there other dangers lurking in the darkness of the Greer house?

November Euchre Night

Thanks to everyone who came to last month's Euchre Night. \$387 was raised for Thorntown Utility Assistance. The next Euchre Night will be Saturday, Nov. 22nd in the TPL meeting



High Points: Cathy Ford

Low Points: Jared Keever

rooms. Sign up before Friday, Nov. 21st. November's proceeds will go towards Thorntown Church Association's outreach programs. **NEW TIME!** Sign-in begins at **4:30 p.m.**, and play starts at **5:00 p.m.** Please register by visiting or calling the library. You can also register online through the library calendar. There is a \$10 buy-in fee to be collected when you arrive. Please brush up on your euchre skills if it has been a while since you have played and plan to stay to the end.

We will play 7 games, which will be approximately 3 hours. Single players are welcome. Please bring a food or snack to share and dollar bills for the "Kitty".

Welcome to the Gourd Patch

Autumn is not only a great time to admire colorful leaves, but a great time to see the versatility of gourds. The Sugar Creek Gourd Patch meets upstairs in the library's Guinn Room on the first and third Tuesdays of the month from 2-4:00 p.m. New participants are welcome. On November 4th & 18th, wreaths for various seasons will be the focus, and 12" wire forms will be on hand. December meetings are on the 2nd & 16th. Other projects to work on include holiday snowmen, name tags, spinner gourd turkeys, and thunder drum gourd necklaces. Colored pencils and markers will be on hand. Participants are also welcome to work on individual projects. Contact Karen at the library for more information.

Tech Tuesdays

Are you plagued with technology woes? Do you need help getting started with ereading, or is your tablet giving you fits? Do you need help navigating Word, starting an email account, or using Google Drive?



Schedule an appointment with Alec or Christine during Tech Tuesdays. They'll investigate your concern, make a plan, and offer help from 11-2 and 4-8 on Tuesdays. Help requests can be submitted via email (info@thorntownpl.org) or by calling the library.

*Tech Tuesday help is limited to troubleshooting devices and some software. If you require repairs or assistance from an IT professional, reach out to your device's manufacturer or another company for advice and assistance.

Christmas Under the Sea

Join us "*Under the Sea*" for our annual family Christmas event on Monday, December 8th from 6-8 p.m. Visit with Santa & Mrs. Claus and have your picture taken. Magician Marc Lehmann will entertain while you wait in line. Silly Safaris will also be here with a live reindeer! All kids will receive a Christmas craft and a book to take home. Snacks and drinks will be provided. All activities are free! This evening of family fun is completely **free** and open to the public. Registration is not required. We hope to see you all December 8th!



New Materials @ TPL

ADULT NONFICTION

Mere Christianity - Lewis - 230 LEW

Silent No Longer - Stack - 305.9 STA

The Tragedy of True Crime - Lennon - 364.152 LEN

SAT Premium Prep 2026 - Kaplan - 378.1662 KAP

GED Study Guide 2025-2026 - 378.1662 MOM

The Ultimate Scholarship Book - Tanabe - 378.3 TAN

Somebody is Walking on Your Grave - Enriquez - 393 ENR

The Sheet Pan - 641.82 AME

The Calligrapher's Bible - Harris - 744.42 HAR

Jane Austen's Bookshelf - Romney - 823.7 ROM

The Small and the Mighty - McMahon - 920.073 MCM

Softly, As I Leave You - Presley - 921 PRE

New Materials @ TPL

ADULT FICTION

Twice - Albom - FIC ALB
 Snow Place Like Home - Baker - FIC BAK
 High Season - Bishop - FIC BIS
 The Secret of Secrets - Brown - FIC BRO, Robert Langdon #6
 Her Alaskan Summer - Carpenter - FIC CAR
 Dominion - Citchens - FIC CIT
 Matchmaking for Psychopaths - Coryell - FIC COR
 The Belles - Dunham - FIC DUN
 Denied Access - Flynn - FIC FLY, Mitch Rapp #24
 Circle of Days - Follett - FIC FOL
 The Autumn Springs Retirement Home Massacre - Fracassi - FIC FRA
 The Ordeals - Greenlaw - FIC GRE
 The Window - Grisham - FIC GRI
 The Everlasting - Harrow - FIC HAR
 Mate - Hazelwood - FIC HAZ, Bride #2
 King Sorrow - Hill - FIC HIL
 The Academy - Hilderbrand - FIC HIL, Academy #1
 We'll Prescribe You a Cat - Ishida - FIC ISH
 We are Always Tender with Our Dead - LaRocca - FIC LAR, Burnt Sparrow #1
 What Not to do on Vacation - Magee - FIC MAG
 Cinder House - Marske - FIC MAR
 The Intruder - McFadden - FIC MCF
 To Light the Way Forward - Naigle - FIC NAI, Shell Collector #2
 The Irish Goodbye - O'Neill - FIC ONE
 The Picasso Heist - Patterson - FIC PAT
 Buckeye - Ryan - FIC RYA
 Small Town Hero - Miller - FIC SMA
 Silver Alert - Smith - FIC SMI
 Remain - Sparks - FIC SPA
 The Portrait - Steel - FIC STE
 Southern by Design - Walz - FIC WAL

The Lies They Told - Wiseman - FIC WIS
 Gone Before Goodbye - Witherspoon - FIC WIT

MYSTERY FICTION

The Proving Ground - Connelly - MYS FIC CON, Mickey Haller #8
 Sharp Force - Cornwell - MYS FIC COR, Scarpetta #29
 The Grave Artist - Deaver - MYS FIC DEA, Sanchez & Heron #2
 Eleanor and the Cold War - Yardley - MYS FIC YAR

DVD/TV

The Bad Guys 2 - PG - DVD FIC BAD
 F1 - PG13 - DVD FIC F1
 The Fantastic 4, First Steps - PG13 - DVD FIC FAN
 The Home - R - DVD FIC HOM
 I Know What You Did Last Summer - R - DVD FIC I
 The Last Rodeo - PG - DVD FIC LAS
 The Life of Chuck - R - DVD FIC LIF
 Mission Impossible, The Final Reckoning - PG13 - DVD FIC MIS
 Nobody 2 - R - DVD FIC NOB
 Sketch - PG - DVD FIC SKE
 Terra Willy - PG - DVD FIC TER
 28 Years Later - R - DVD FIC TWE
 Weapons - R - DVD FIC WEA
 Alfred Hitchcock Presents - NR - TV DVD ALF, #1
 Criminal Minds - TV14 - TV DVD CRI, #1-3

VIDEOGAMES

Crypt Custodian - E - VG NIN CRY
 Nicktoons & the Dice of Destiny - E - VG NIN NIC
 Pac-Man World Re-Pac 2 - E - VG NIN PAC
 Pokémon Z-A Legends - E - VG NIN POK
 Super Mario Galaxy + Super Mario Galaxy 2 - E - VG NIN SUP

Our Overdrive library is always open! <https://idl.overdrive.com>

To register for Wowbrary visit: <https://bit.ly/3mOPOc2>

November Events

Mon. Nov. 3	Taste of Home 6-7
Tue. Nov. 4	Sugar Creek Gourd Patch 2-4
Wed. Nov. 5	Native American Art program 6:00
Thu. Nov. 6	CICOA Produce Day Medicare 101 1:00 Toddler & Preschool Storytime 3:30 Adventure Storytime 3:30
Mon. Nov. 10	2nd Monday Book Discussion 1:30 Library Board 6-7
Tue. Nov. 11	Lego Club 3:30 Friends Board 4-5 TPL will close at 6:00 Teen Glow Scavenger Hunt 6:30
Thu. Nov. 13	Toddler & Preschool Storytime 3:30 Adventure Storytime 3:30
Fri. Nov 14	Community Bingo 6-7:30
Tue. Nov. 18	Sugar Creek Gourd Patch 2-4 Makerspace 3:30
Thu. Nov. 20	CICOA Produce Day Toddler & Preschool Storytime 3:30 Adventure Storytime 3:30 Sugar Creek Historical Society 7-8 @ TPL
Sat. Nov. 22	Euchre Night 4:30
Tue. Nov. 25	Play With Me! 10:30
Wed. Nov. 26	TPL will close at 2:00
Thu. Nov. 27	Library Closed Happy Thanksgiving!
Fri. Nov. 28	Library Closed

Library Hours:
Mon. & Fri. 9-6
Tue. - Thur. 9-8
Saturday 10-4
Sunday Closed

**The Thorntown
Heritage Museum
is open by appoint-
ment only. Call the
library to schedule
a visit.**



CICOA luncheons served at 11:30 Monday through Friday!
Questions about programs? Call the library at (765) 436-7348

November



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
3 Oven Fried Chicken Whipped Sweet Potatoes Collard Greens Orange Juice Milk	4 Spaghetti/Meatballs Parmesan Cheese Italian Cut Green Beans California Veggies Mixed Fruit Milk	5 Cheesy Grits Veggie Scramble Country Apples Milk	6 BBQ Beef Green Beans Scalloped Potatoes WG Bun Diced Peaches Milk	7 Vegetarian Chili California Veggies Roasted Sweet Potatoes Corn Bread Tropical Fruit Milk
10 Grilled Hamburger Mac & Cheese Festive Green Beans Diced Pears WG Bun Milk	11 Cheesy Smothered Chopped Steak White Rice Pilaf Peas Wheat Bread Mandarin Oranges Milk	12 Turkey Ham & Beans Beets Carrots Corn Bread Mixed Fruit Milk	13 Almond Crusted Fish California Veggies Scalloped Potatoes Mixed Fruit Wheat Bread Milk	14 Pot Roast w/Gravy Broccoli Mashed Potatoes Wheat Bread Applesauce Milk
17 Unstuffed Peppers Baked Potato Green Beans w/ Almonds Cinnamon Applesauce Milk 	18 Bagel w/Pork Sausage, Egg & Cheese Roasted Sweet Potatoes Applesauce Milk	19 Meatloaf w/Gravy Mashed Potatoes Brussel Sprouts Mandarin Oranges Milk	20 Beef Stew Corn Turnip Greens Wheat Bread Diced Peaches Milk	21 Cheese Lasagna w/ Veggie Marinara Capri Veggies Lima Beans Wheat Roll Diced Pineapple Milk
24 Thanksgiving Meal! Sliced Turkey w/Gravy Maple Sweet Potatoes Green Beans Pumpkin Pie Diced Pears Milk	25 Herb Crusted Hake Roasted Potatoes Broccoli Wheat Bread Tropical Fruit Cup Milk	26 Italian Bowtie Pasta w/Beef Broccoli w/Red Peppers Green Beans Applesauce Milk	27 Happy Thanksgiving! Meal Site Closed	28 Meal Site Closed

CICOA Senior Lunch Program

Mon.-Fri. at 11:30, CICOA Aging and In-Home Solutions provides a healthy meal for adults ages 60+ in the library meeting rooms. Coffee and iced tea are available.

Reservations are submitted on Wednesdays at noon for the meals the following week. Donations for meals are accepted.



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Friends of Library & Sugar Creek Historical Society Memberships

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State ____ Zip _____ E-mail _____

Daytime Phone# _____ Evening Phone# _____ Delivery preference ☐ print ☐ email

All memberships expire December 31 annually.

SCHS (Museum)

- ☐ Member—\$10 (family or individual)
- ☐ Business/Organization—\$20
- ☐ Sponsor—\$25 & up
- ☐ Patron—\$50 & up
- ☐ Supporter—\$100 & up

Friends of Thorntown Public Library

- ☐ Friend—\$10 (family or individual)
- ☐ Business/Organization—\$20
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Make **Friends membership** checks payable to: **Friends of Thorntown Public Library, Inc.**

Make **SCHS membership** checks payable to: **Sugar Creek Historical Society, Inc.**