
FRIENDS OF THORNTOWN PUBLIC LIBRARY

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Festival Parade Success

The judges *fell in love* with our floats this year! Congratulations to both the library and the museum for winning awards on their festival parade floats! Thorntown Public Library won 1st Place Theme and the Heritage Museum won Judges Award.



Haunted Library

Enter ... **IF YOU DARE!** The Thorntown Public Library is thrilled to invite you to face your greatest fears by participating in this year's Haunted Library event. We will be transforming our large meeting room into something that will rattle your bones and send shivers down your spine! Our ghostly chambers will be open for visitors free of charge on **Halloween Night from 6:00-8:30pm.**

Children who do not wish to visit the haunted portion of the library may pick up treats in the Youth Department.



Museum Halloween



The Thorntown Heritage Museum welcomes all ghouls and gals to come and watch the fantastic magician Marcus Lehmann perform on the front porch on Halloween night. The Heritage Museum is located at 124 West Main Street. Marc will begin at 6:30 p.m. and perform until 8:00 p.m. Museum volunteers will be there to hand out treat bags for costumed visitors.

Community Blood Drive - Oct. 8th

Our friends from Versiti will be in town for a community blood drive on Wednesday, October 8, from 2:00pm–5:45pm. Walk ins are always welcome, but donors are encouraged to sign up for a spot in advance:

https://donateblood.versiti.org/donor/schedules/drive_schedule/11616794

In about an hour's time, your lifesaving GIFT will provide up to 3 transfusions.

- Someone in the United States needs blood every 2 seconds
- 30% of our blood supply is used for cancer treatments
- 62% of us are eligible to donate, yet only 3% are current donors
- 520 Hoosier volunteers are needed 7 days a week to meet the needs of local hospitals and their patients



COMMUNITY
BINGO

OCT. 10TH
6 - 7:30PM

FREE
TO PLAY

PRIZES &
SNACKS

ALL
AGES

Medicare 101 - Saturday, Oct. 11 1:30-2:30

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.

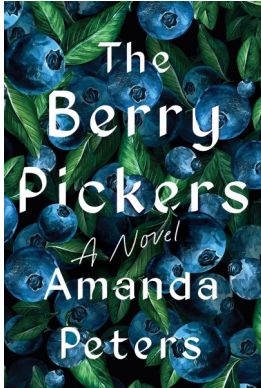
(The Medicare Annual Enrollment Period is October 15th - December 7th, each year).

This program will be repeated on **Thursday, Nov. 6th at 1:00 p.m.**

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

October 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 October 13 at 1:30 the book club will meet in the Guinn Room to discuss *The Berry Pickers* by Amanda Peters.



July 1962. A Mi'kmaq family from Nova Scotia arrives in Maine to pick blueberries for the summer. Weeks later, four-year-old Ruthie, the family's youngest child, vanishes. She is last seen by her six-year-old brother, Joe, sitting on a favorite rock at the edge of a berry field. Joe will remain distraught by his sister's disappearance for years to come.

In Maine, a young girl named Norma grows up as the only child of an affluent family. Her father is emotionally distant, her mother frustratingly overprotective. Norma is often troubled by recurring dreams and visions that seem more like memories than imagination. As she grows older, Norma slowly comes to realize there is something her parents aren't telling her. Unwilling to abandon her intuition, she will spend decades trying to uncover this family secret.

Volunteers Needed for Gravestone Cleaning

Thorntown Heritage Museum and Thorntown Public Library are partnering with The James Hill Daughters of the American Revolution to clean and rededicate two patriot gravestones in Cox Cemetery. We will also be learning about the 20 patriots who are buried in Boone County. Volunteers are needed October 15 from 1-4 p.m. You can sign up for an hour time slot, or come for the whole time. Volunteers do not need to have prior knowledge of grave cleaning to participate. You are encouraged to bring a gallon of water, a chair to sit on if desired, and wear clothes you don't mind getting dirty. Cleaning tools, gloves and snacks will be provided. All ages are welcome. Sign up at the Genealogy desk or email kwamsley@thorntownpl.org to participate.



A Gourd-geous Autumn

Autumn is a time to admire colorful leaves, but it is also a great time to see the versatility of gourds. Small ones may be used as table decorations while large ones can be lawn decorations and bird houses. New participants are welcome to the Sugar Creek Gourd Patch. It will meet upstairs in the library Guinn Room from 2-4:00 on Tuesdays, Oct. 7, Oct. 21, Nov. 4, and Nov. 18. Making gourd turkeys with corn husk tails and seed art is on the agenda for October. In November, we'll work on wreaths. The Indiana Gourd Society's annual state show will be in the library's meeting rooms on Saturday, October 18, with no admission charge. Setup will begin at 7:00 a.m. and the show will be 10-4:00 p.m. This will be a great time to see hundreds of gourds and a wide range of decorating techniques. Both decorated and undecorated gourds may be purchased, and there will be time to make a gourd craft.

Heritage Museum News

The Sugar Creek Historical Society would like to invite the community to join them for their annual meeting on October 16th in the library's Guinn Room. Museum Coordinator Kirsten Wamsley will be sharing Native American history and its connection to Thorntown, as well as walking guests through the temporary history exhibit "Who is a Hoosier". The museum is now closed for the season, but tours are available by appointment by calling 765-436-7348.

October Euchre Night

Thanks to everyone who came to last month's Euchre Night. \$233 was raised for the Sugar Creek Historical Society. The next Euchre Night will be Saturday, October 25th in the TPL meeting rooms. Sign up before Friday, Oct. 24th. October's proceeds will go towards Thorntown Utility Assistance. Sign-in begins at 5:30 p.m., and play starts at 6:00. 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 to 8 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".



High Points: Denise Parks

Low Points: Sue Gillan

Library Hosts Traveling History Exhibit

"Who is a Hoosier? A Traveling Exhibit" from the Indiana Historical Society highlights how immigration and migration impacted the beginning of the state of Indiana. The exhibit will be on display September 29 - October 29 in the Guinn Room. The exhibit uses maps, informational graphics and photographs from the IHS collection and other state institutions to bring the personal stories to life. The exhibit is made possible by Kroger. This is free to check out during the library's open hours.

New Materials @ TPL

ADULT NONFICTION

The Ultimate Guide to Weight Training for Wrestling - Price - 613.711 PRI

Taste of Home Holiday & Celebrations 2025 - 641.568 TAS

Taste of Home Best Shared Recipes 2026 - 641.69 TAS

Your Baby Doesn't Come With a Book - Golshevsky - 649.122 GOL

Effective Fundraising for Nonprofits - Bray -

658.1522 BRA

Team of Rivals - Goodwin - 921 LIN

ADULT FICTION

The Elements - Boyne - FIC BOY

Don't Say a Word - Brennan - FIC BRE, Angelhart #2

The Paradise Petition - Brown - FIC BRO

Cowboy Santa - Curtis - FIC CUR, Cowboy

New Materials @ TPL

Academy #6

The Iron Storm - Cussler - FIC CUS, Isaac Bell #15

Seven Year Itch - Daws - FIC DAW, Mountain Men Matchmaker #2

Too Old for This - Downing - FIC DOW

Deadly Storms - Feehan - FIC FEE, Sunrise Lake #3

The Conditions of Will - Hastings - FIC HAS

Problematic Summer Romance - Hazelwood - FIC HAZ, Not in Love #2

Rules for Ruin - Matthews - FIC MAT, Crinoline Academy #1

Billion Dollar Ransom - Patterson - FIC PAT

If We Were Villains - Rio - FIC RIO

Lover Forbidden - Ward - FIC WAR, Black Dagger Brotherhood #23

Forget Me Not - Willingham - FIC WIL

CHRISTIAN FICTION

Once Upon a Christmas Carol - Carlson - CH FIC CAR

Where Secrets Lie - Coble - CH FIC COB, Tupelo Grove #2

Perilous Tides - Goddard - CH FIC GOD, Hidden Bay #2

The Christmas House - Lewis - CH FIC LEW

Designed with Love - Peterson - CH FIC PET, Hope of Cheyenne #2

Dawn of the Grace - Smith - CH FIC SMI

No Leaves in Autumn - Wangard - CH FIC WAN, Unsung Stories of WWII #2

Freedom's Distant Frontier - Williams - CH FIC WIL, Wagon Train Matches #7

DVD/TV

Elio - PG - DVD FIC ELI

Freaky Tales - R - DVD FIC FRE

John Wick: Ballerina - R - DVD FIC JOH

Jurassic World Rebirth - PG13 - DVD FIC JUR

Karate Kid Legends - PG13 - DVD FIC KAR

The King of Kings - PG - DVD FIC KIN

Lilo & Stitch - PG - DVD FIC LIL

Megan 2.0 - PG13 - DVD FIC MEG

Sovereign - R - DVD FIC SOV

Superman - PG13 - DVD FIC SUP

The Surfer - R - DVD FIC SUR

The Chosen - TVPG - TV DVD CHO, #5

The Last of Us - TVMA - TV DVD LAS #2

Professor T, Seasons 1-3 - TVMA - TV DVD PRO

When Calls the Heart #12 - NR - TV DVD WHE

Yellowstone 1923 - TV14 - TV DVD YEL 1923, #2

YOUNG ADULT

Darkroom - Alexander - YA FIC ALE

Dead Girl's Diary - Alexander - YA FIC ALE

Identikill - Alexander - YA FIC ALE, Identikill #1

Codebreaker - Martel - YA FIC MAR

Immortal Consequences - Marie - YA FIC MAR, Blackwood Academy #1

Wild Reverence - Ross - YA FIC ROS

Ruthless Vows - Ross - YA FIC ROS, Letters of Enchantment #2

Chainsaw Man - YA GN FIC FUJ, # 11&12

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

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

October Events



Thu. Oct. 2	Toddler & Preschool Storytime 3:30 Adventure Storytime 3:30
Tue. Oct. 7	Sugar Creek Gourd Patch 2-4 Teen Advisory Group 4:00
Wed. Oct. 8	Versiti Blood Drive 2-5:45
Thu. Oct. 9	Toddler & Preschool Storytime 3:30 Adventure Storytime 3:30
Fri. Oct. 10	Community Bingo 6-7:30
Sat. Oct. 11	Medicare 101 1:30
Mon. Oct. 13	2nd Monday Book Discussion (Guinn Room) 1:30 Library Board Meeting (Guinn Room) 6-7
Tue. Oct. 14	Lego Club (Easy Room) 3:30
Wed. Oct. 15	Patriot Grave Cleaning (Cox Cemetery) 1-4
Thu. Oct. 16	Combined Storytimes 3:30
Tue. Oct. 21	Sugar Creek Gourd Patch 2-4 Makerspace 3:30
Thu. Oct. 23	Toddler & Preschool Storytime 3:30 Adventure Storytime 3:30
Fri. Oct. 25	Euchre Night 5:30
Tue. Oct. 28	Play with Me! 10:30
Thu. Oct. 30	Toddler & Preschool Storytime 3:30
Fri. Oct. 31	Happy Halloween Haunted Library 6-8:30 Halloween at Museum 6-8p

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

**The Thorntown
 Heritage Museum
 is open by
 appointment 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

October 2025



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Cultural Meal Day 		1 Beef Stroganoff w/ Egg Noodles Italian Cut Green Beans Diced Carrots Wheat Roll Fresh Orange Milk	2 Scrambled Eggs Pork Sausage Roasted Potatoes Wheat Bread Spiced Peaches Milk	3 Chicken & Noodles Rosemary Roasted Potatoes Broccoli Wheat Roll Diced Pears Milk
6 Grilled Hamburger Mac & Cheese Festive Green Beans Diced Pears Wheat Bun Milk	7 Cheese Lasagna w/ Veggie Marinara Capri Veggies Lima Beans Wheat Roll Diced Pineapple Milk	8 Braised Beef Over Egg Noodles Collard Greens Diced Carrots Wheat Roll Applesauce Milk	9 Orange Chicken White Rice Pilaf Broccoli Tropical Fruit Cup Milk 	10 Swedish Meatballs Broccoli Diced Carrots Brown Rice Wheat Bread Mixed Fruit Milk
13 Meal Site Closed For Staff Training	14 Oven Fried Chicken Whipped Sweet Potatoes Collard Greens Orange Juice Milk	15 Bagel w/Egg, Pork Sausage & Cheese Sliced Apples Roasted Sweet Potatoes Milk	16 Chicken Adobo White Rice Pilaf Lima Beans Diced Pineapple Milk	17 Potato Pollock Peas and Corn Turnip Greens Wheat Bread Tropical Fruit Milk
20 Chicken Parmesan Parmesan Cheese Apples w/Cherries & Almonds Roasted Potatoes Wheat Bread Diced Mangos Milk	21 Teriyaki Chicken & Noodles Stir Fry Veggies Fresh Orange Milk	22 Sloppy Joe WG Bun Roasted Sweet Potatoes Brussel Sprouts w/ Onion Diced Pineapple Milk	2 Sliced Turkey over Southwest Pasta Broccoli Peas Chocolate Pudding Milk	254 Beef Stew Corn Turnip Greens Wheat Bread Diced Peaches Milk
27 Meatloaf w/Gravy Brussels sprouts Mashed Potatoes Mandarin Oranges Birthday Treat Milk	28 Indiana Style Chili Mac California Veggie Blend Applesauce Corn Bread Milk	29 Smoked Pork Sausage w/Peppers & Onions Peas Roasted Potatoes Wheat Roll Strawberry Applesauce Milk	30 Chicken & White Bean Chili Brussel Sprouts Corn Corn Bread Mixed Fruit Milk	31 Ginger BBQ Chicken Whipped Sweet Potatoes Collard Greens Wheat Bread Diced Pears Milk

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



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**HAUNTED
LIBRARY**
HALLOWEEN NIGHT
6:00 - 8:30



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.**

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