



June Library News

- Tuesdays 9:00- whenever, **Coffee and Conversation**
- Tuesdays and Thursdays, 9:00-9:45 **Geri-Fit**
- Saturdays, 10:00-11:00, **Summer Reading Program**
- Tuesday, June 30, 3:30-4:30, **Book Club** discussing *The Quiet Librarian*

Blink and we are going into summer! Now it is sunscreen and staying cool. Ironic as it wasn't that long ago that we were thinking warm, warm, warmer. School is out, and we are into a hectic pace to keep up with all the extra activities we dreamed about. Gardens are in and the weed fight is on. With the recent rains it is tough to keep up with the grass growth. Aren't those dandelions pretty!

Along with summer plans comes our Summer Reading Program beginning Saturday, June 6 at 10:00-11:00 AM. The program will continue for six consecutive Saturdays excluding Saturday, July 4. We will be using the State theme of Plant a Seed, Read. There will be prizes for youth and adults based upon the number of books read. Some activities include planting seeds, Gilberton Nature Center program July 8 at 3:00, a 3D Doodler Day, and some themes being farming and watermelon. Come join the fun and let's grow!

With summer in progress, our SILO book delivery will change. Books will continue to come in on Mondays but at a much later time so the ordered books will not be available until Tuesdays. Also we have noticed the delivery time frame is longer, about two weeks. The due dates have been adjusted to fit into this schedule.

Some new wall shelving has been installed so that we can highlight some book series. You might want to check that out. There will be a rotation as time progresses. Also, there are more graphic novels added to our young adult book tower. There is even one graphic novel that reads backwards and some classic books in the graphic novel format.

America's 250th Birthday Fun Facts: June 7, Richard Henry Lee of Virginia made a motion in the Continental Congress to declare the United Colonies independent states. June 11, the Continental Congress appointed a five man committee which included Thomas Jefferson, John Adams, and Benjamin Franklin to draft the Declaration of Independence. June 12, Virginia adopted a declaration of rights written by George Mason which influenced our existing US Bill of Rights. June 15, the state of Delaware declared itself independent of British and Pennsylvanian authority and became a separate state. June 28, South Carolina Patriots fought against a massive British assault on Sullivan's Island in the Charleston, South Carolina harbor saving it from British occupation.

Monthly Activities include:

Tuesdays from 9:00 to whenever Coffee and Conversation.

Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9:00-9:45 Geri-Fit with exercise and friendly chatter.

Saturdays from 10:00-11:00 Summer Reading Program

Tuesday, June 30, 3:30-4:30 Book Club discussing *The Quiet Librarian* by Allen Eskens.

“The Quiet Librarian by Allen Eskens is a historical thriller that follows Hana Babić, a timid, middle-aged librarian in Minnesota who is forced out of the shadows. When her best friend is murdered, Hana must confront her dark past as a deadly teenage resistance fighter in the Bosnian War.”

New books include these young adult graphic novels:

Unordinary by Uru-chan (Chelsey Han). “Nobody pays much attention to John—just a normal teenager at a high school where the social elite happen to possess unthinkable powers and abilities. John prefers it that way. The more he stays under the radar, and stays close to the Royal’s most powerful Ace, Seraphina, the safer he is in the halls of Wellston High.

But John has a secret past that threatens to bring down the school’s whole social order—and much more. And when the other students start to suspect John has something to hide, he becomes their latest target. Suddenly, John is pulled into a world of turf wars, betrayals, and deadly conspiracies.”

Speak by Laurie Halse Anderson. “Speak up for yourself—we want to know what you have to say.” From the first moment of her freshman year at Merryweather High, Melinda knows this is a big fat lie, part of the nonsense of high school. She is friendless—an outcast—because of something that happened over the summer. Now nobody will talk to her, let alone listen. So what’s the point of talking? Through her work on an art project, Melinda is finally able to face what really happened that night. But before she can make peace with the ghosts of the past, she has to confront the reality of the present—and stop someone who still wishes to do her harm. Only words can save her. She can’t stay silent. Not anymore.”

New Adult novels:

The Season of Second Chances by Diane Meier. “Coming-of-age can happen at any age. Joy Harkness had built a university career and a safe life in New York, protected and insulated from the intrusions and involvements of other people. When offered a position at Amherst College, she impulsively leaves the city, and along with generations of material belongings, she packs her equally heavy emotional baggage. A tumbledown Victorian house proves an unlikely choice for a woman whose family heirlooms have been boxed away for years. Nevertheless, this white elephant becomes the home that changes Joy forever. As the restoration begins to take shape, so does her outlook on life, and the choices she makes over paint chips, wallpaper samples, and floorboards are reflected in her connection to the co-workers who become friends and friendships that deepen. A brilliant, quirky, town fixture of a handyman guides the renovation of the house and sparks Joy’s interest to encourage his personal and professional growth. Amid the half-wanted attention of the campus’s single, middle-aged men, known as “the Coyotes,” and the legitimate dramas of her close-knit community, Joy learns that the key to the affection of family and friends is being worthy of it, and most important, that second chances are waiting to be discovered within us all.”

Storm Front by John Sandford. “Investigator Virgil Flowers must track down a stolen ancient stone with world-altering secrets, leading him into a dangerous international conspiracy involving a dying professor, multiple factions, and a race against time.”

Come in to see us and participate in our summer reading program. There is the possibility of a watermelon seed spitting contest! How far can you blow? Until next time... Keep Reading