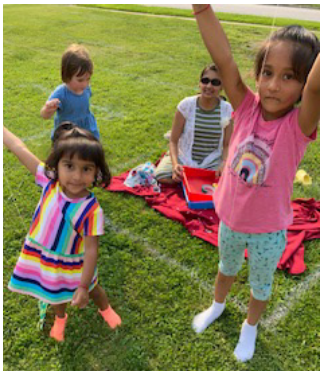
WPL NEWSLETTER

AUGUST 2021

WPL'S SUMMER ABUNDANCE!



Hey! WPL wants to hear from YOU as we plan for the future!
From August 7th -14th complete our community survey online at wpl.lib.in.us or in person at the Thomas or Hageman Branch.
Participants will receive a prize and a chance to win four Railcats tickets!

GET INSPIRED AND WIN!

Looking to learn a new language, find reliable health information, prepare for a citizenship or military exam, or get homework help from grade school to grad school? INSPIRE is here for you! INSPIRE is Indiana's free online library, providing Hoosiers with access to trusted informational resources and tools for your lifelong learning, all at the click of a mouse.

In INSPIRE, elementary school students will find colorful pictures and easy browsing in school subject categories; middle school students will find popular magazines, biographies, and encyclopedias; and high school students will find INSPIRE to be a one-stop shop for the arts, sciences, and current events. College, graduate, and other adult students will find a wealth of resources in INSPIRE, as well as test-prep tools for entrance and vocational exams, and Recursos Para Hispanohablantes!

But wait, there's more! Anyone at any age, student or not, can use INSPIRE to find endless information and resources. You'll find Rosetta Stone; the eBook Public Library Collection for borrowing ebooks; plus popular publications like Consumer Reports, the Chicago Tribune, and NOLO Legal Guides. Don't miss Indiana Memory, a digital repository filled with antique Indiana photos, records, and historical newspapers from Hoosier State Chronicles. Check out INSPIRE at inspire.in.gov today!

We love INSPIRE so much, we planned a Get INSPIRED webhunt all month long in August. It's easy to play--just go to any service desk to pick up an entry form, sign up for INSPIRE, and find the answers to six questions by using INSPIRE. Once you've found the answers, bring the form back to us and you'll be entered into a giveaway to win cool INSPIRE swag! Need help signing up for INSPIRE, or navigating it? Our staff are happy to show you how to harness the power of INSPIRE for your world. Get INSPIRED today!

INSPIRE
Lifelong learning library for Hoosiers

Do you have what it takes to complete the INSPIRE Online Library Challenge?

INSPIRE is Indiana's enormous online library, free to all Indiana residents.
Discover a wealth of resources at your fingertips and be entered to win one of 10 gift baskets!

Beginning August 15:

- Stop by either branch to pick up your INSPIRE Online Library Challenge question sheet
- Create an INSPIRE username and password (it's easy, we'll show you!)
- Explore INSPIRE resources to answer the Challenge questions
- Return your completed Challenge question sheet to either branch
- Be entered into the drawing to win one of 10 gift baskets!

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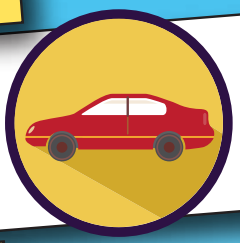
CURBSIDE PICKUP

1. Use your Library card to place holds (online or by phone) for up to 5 DVDs and 10 other items per card, based on the following item limits: 5 DVDs, 10 Music CDs, 5 New Books, 2 Electronic Games, 10 General Books.

2. After you receive notice that your holds are ready, drive to your branch during Curbside Pickup hours. Pull into a specially-numbered parking space.



3. Call the Library phone number posted on the numbered parking space sign and staff will check-out and bring your holds to your parking space.

4. NEW! TWO options for pickup! Staff will place your holds on the table attached to your parking space for you to get, OR, pop your trunk and staff will place your holds inside the trunk and will then close it for you.

5. Enjoy your Library materials!

Curbside Pickup hours:
Monday-Friday 1pm-6pm at Thomas Branch & Hageman Branch
Saturday 11:30am-4:30pm at Thomas Branch; Saturday 1:30pm-4:30pm at Hageman Branch
Sunday 1:30pm-4:30pm at Thomas Branch

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Keyboarding Bootcamp ZOOM

For children in Kindergarten - 4th grade

Monday, August 9 • 4 -5 PM

Get ready for the school year with Miss Justine as we learn how to type on a computer keyboard. We will learn correct hand posture, positioning and placement while we play games. Build typing confidence for this upcoming academic year, and discover online resources to practice your skills.

Registration for this program/kit opens August 2

This program will take place virtually via **ZOOM.**
Register for this program/kit online or call 219-926-7696 to reserve your spot. Pick up your kit at **THOMAS** between August 2 -9.

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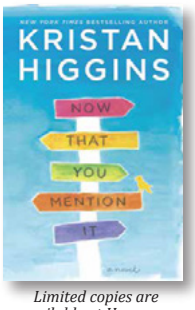
FRIDAY, AUGUST 20 • 6:30-7:30 PM
Thomas Centennial Park, Chesterton
FEATURING
Lee Murdock
We are thrilled to welcome back the premier interpreter of songs and tales about the Great Lakes, Lee Murdock!
Attendees are encouraged to bring a picnic, lawn chairs, or blanket for personal comfort and enjoyment.
The Chesterton-Porter Rotary Club will offer free popcorn. The rain date for this event will be August 27.
FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL 219- 926-7696 • WPL.LIB.IN.US

ADULT
DIY
CRAFT NIGHT
Paper Flowers
Summer days may be coming to an end, but the beautiful flowers of the season don't have to! Join us as we create a variety of flowers using just crepe paper and floral wire and tape.
Tuesday, August 31 • 6:30 PM
LIBRARY LOT at 2nd St & Indiana Ave, Chesterton
Registration opens August 24.
• Program is located outside, bring your own blanket or chairs.
• Masks are encouraged to be worn at all times.
• Social distancing is required. • Registration is required.
REGISTER ONLINE AT WPL.LIB.IN.US OR CALL 219- 926-7696 TO RESERVE YOUR SPOT

BI-FOCAL BOOKIES

Now that You Mention It
by Kristan Higgins

One step forward. Two steps back. The Tufts scholarship that put Nora Stuart on the path to becoming a Boston medical specialist was a step forward. Being hit by a car and then overhearing her boyfriend hit on another doctor when she thought she was dying? Two major steps back.



Limited copies are available at Hageman.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 10
1-2 PM
Hageman Lawn

- Program is located outside, bring your own blanket or chairs.
- Masks are encouraged to be worn at all times.
- Social distancing is required. • Registration is required.

Register for this program online or call 219-926-9080 to reserve your spot starting AUGUST 3.

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Craft Kit: REUSEABLE LUNCH SACKS

Craft Kit PICK UP

Looking to take your brown bag lunches to the next level? Ditch that disposable bag and make a reusable one instead. This kit includes everything you need to hand sew a reversible lunch sack using oil cloth.

Registration for this Craft Kit opens
August 11.

Adults 18 and up, reserve your kit online or call the Thomas Branch at 219-926-7696.
This kit is picked up at **THOMAS** from August 18 through August 25.

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Craft Kit: OCTAGON Wall Art

Lucky number....8?
Construct an elegant piece of minimalist wall art using the most basic of materials.

Craft Kit PICK UP

Registration for this Craft Kit opens
August 20.

Adults 18 and up, reserve your kit online or call the Thomas Branch at 219-926-7696.
This kit is picked up at **THOMAS** from August 27 - September 3.

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Adult Craft Afternoon

Painted Succulent Planter

Let your inner Jackson Pollock shine when you join us to make your own unique confetti planter for your new succulent.

Thursday, August 26
1 - 2 PM
HAGEMAN BRANCH LAWN
Reserve your spot starting August 19.

- Program is located outside, bring your own blanket or chairs.
- Masks are encouraged to be worn at all times.
- Social distancing is required. • Registration is required.

Register for this program online or call 219-926-9080 to reserve your spot.

CRAFT KIT FOR TWEENS IN GRADES 5 - 8

Wish for luck, wish for love, and wish for an abundance of happiness. Use this kit to create your own wish pin to keep your wishes close to you so that they might come true.

Registration for this Kit opens JULY 29

This kit is picked up at THOMAS from August 5 -12.
Reserve your kit online or call the Thomas Branch at 219-926-7696.

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CRAFT KIT FOR TEENS IN GRADES 9 - 12

Registration for this Craft Kit opens August 16.

This kit is picked up at HAGEMAN from August 23 - 30.
Reserve your kit online or call the Hageman Branch at 219-926-9080.

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CRAFT KIT FOR TWEENS IN GRADES 5 - 8

Use math to make art! Spirographs are geometric drawing devices. Grab one of these kits today and see what designs you can make.

Registration for this Kit opens AUGUST 31

This kit is picked up at HAGEMAN from September 7 - 14.
Reserve your kit online or call the Hageman Branch at 219-926-9080.

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Teens and Tweens-
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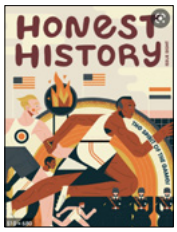
to get the scoop on programs, services, monthly book challenges and book reviews just for you!

NEW MAGAZINES FOR KIDS

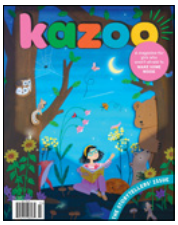
We've added a boatload of new magazines for children this month! Stop by the Thomas or Hageman Branch to find a new favorite.

Aquila is "the ultimate intelligent read for inquisitive kids." Full of exuberant articles and challenging puzzles that will get the whole family involved, every issue covers science, history, and general knowledge. For ages 8 to 12.

ChopChop is an award-winning kids and family magazine that's filled with delicious recipes, essential how-tos, STEAM activities, fun food facts, interactive games, and more. The magazine teaches kids to feed themselves and have fun in the process, while working on other essential life skills, including relationship building, nutrition awareness, and language literacy. It's designed for all ages to enjoy together.



Honest History aims to encourage children to conduct their own research and uncover stories of their own, supported by data and accompanied by a sense of adventure. It's a place for kids to explore the past and re-discover stories of people, just like them, who changed the world. For ages 6-12.



Kazoo is an award-winning, ad-free, indie magazine for girls that celebrates them for being strong, smart, fierce and true to themselves. *Kazoo* provides hours of fun, covering science, art, history, critical thinking and more. For ages 5 to 12.

Mighty Kind celebrates the role of kindness and compassion as a foundation for anti-bias learning and in bringing the world closer together. Full of fun facts about the world we share, stories about kids doing good and actionable ideas for service and volunteer work, *Mighty Kind* is a resource to inspire a generation of kids who care. For ages 6-12 and their caregivers.

Scoop inspires and nurtures a love of reading and writing. Each issue is packed full of stories, articles, games and activities all based on a unique theme that ignites curiosity: explore Heroes, Spies & Mystery, The Human Body, and much more! For ages 7 and up.

Stone Soup is the literary magazine and website 100% written and illustrated by kids. Now in its 48th year, *Stone Soup* has been inspiring children to read, write, and create their own artworks for publication since 1973. For kids up to age 13.

Craft Kit: Taco Needlepoint

For children ages 6-9

Learn the art of needlepoint with a vibrant taco design.

Registration for this Pick-up Craft Kit opens July 31.

Reserve your kit online or call the Thomas Branch at 219-926-7696.

This kit is picked up at **THOMAS** from August 7 - 14.

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CRAFTERNOONS PICK-UP CRAFT KIT at the Hageman Branch

COLORFUL SEA MONSTER

This craft kit is for ages 2-5. It includes supplies to make two colorful octopi. The kit also includes an information sheet about sea creatures.

Registration opens JULY 31.

Call the Hageman Branch at 219-926-9080 to reserve your Craft Kit, or register online. This kit is picked up at the HAGEMAN BRANCH from AUGUST 7 - 12.

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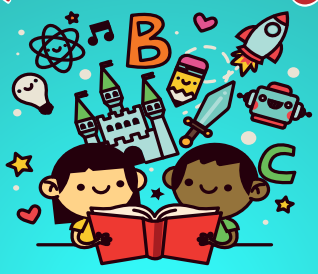
Tinker & Create!



OUTDOOR PROGRAM FOR AGES 4-6 HAGEMAN LAWN

Color Changing Chameleons

Monday, August 16
4:30 - 5:30 PM

Scientists believe that chameleons change color to reflect their moods. Learn more about this popular reptile while making a chameleon craft.

- Program is located outside, bring your own blanket or chairs.
- Masks are encouraged to be worn by everyone.
- Social distancing is required between family groups at all times.
- Registration required

Reserve your spot online or by calling 219-926-9080 starting August 9.

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Craft Kit: The Three Little Pigs

Get ready to huff and puff and blow your house down!

For children ages 3-5

This kit will help children discover the STEAM in one of their favorite fairy tales. Learn about force and motion while constructing the perfect house that is strong enough not to be blown down. A list of additional recommended resources will also be included.

Registration for this Pick-up Craft Kit opens August 14.

Reserve your kit online or call the Thomas Branch at 219-926-7696.

This kit is picked up at **THOMAS** from August 21-28.

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CRAZY ABOUT COMICS!

OUTDOOR PROGRAM

For ages 6-9, with an adult present

In honor of National Free Comic Book Day, we are celebrating all things comics! Make comic book buttons, create your own comic strips, and even get a free comic book to take home.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 17 • 4:30 - 5:30 PM

LIBRARY LOT

at 2nd St & Indiana Ave, Chesterton

- Program is located outside, bring your own blanket or chairs.
- Masks are encouraged to be worn at all times.
- Social distancing is required. • Registration is required.

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Outdoor Music at the Museum

The Flashbacks are back! Bring a chair and a snack and enjoy some live music outside on the lawn of the Westchester Township History Museum. The Flashbacks specialize in folk music of the last 500 years, the kind of music people sang in their homes.

There are no rain dates. If it rains, consider attending the next scheduled performance.

Thursday, August 5 & 19
2 - 3 PM
The Brown Mansion

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Westchester Township History Museum on YouTube

Check out our WPL YouTube channel and find a collection of videos from the Museum featuring Westchester history, notable Duneland residents, and facts about the dunes and lakeshore.

Duneland Ghost Towns Series

Everyday is Earth Day Series

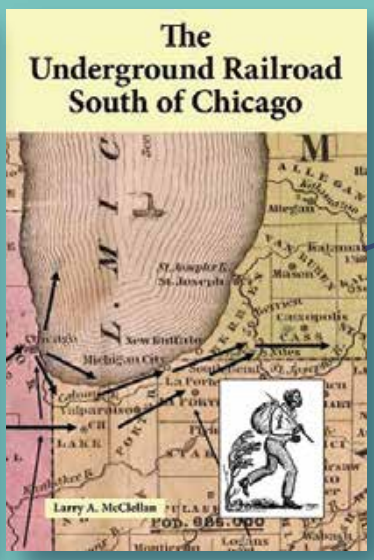
Duneland's Swedish Immigrants Series

Becoming Westchester Township Series

Westchester Township History Museum

EXHIBIT OPEN THROUGH 2021.
All visits must be scheduled by reservation; call 219-983-9715.
Check with the museum for the most current mask requirements.
Social distancing is required at all times.

ZOOM PRESENTATION:
The Underground Railroad in Northwest Indiana



In the decades before the Civil War, hundreds of freedom seekers travelled through Northwest Indiana, from those who walked to those carried by trains.

Join Dr. Larry McClellan, Emeritus Professor of Sociology and Community Studies at Governor's State University, for an exploration of Northwest Indiana's role in the movement of fugitive slaves/freedom seekers and the Underground Railroad. Dr. McClellan has written extensively on the Underground Railroad in Illinois and Northwest Indiana.

Wednesday, September 1
6:30 - 7:30 PM

This program will take place virtually via ZOOM.

Registration for this program opens Wednesday, August 4.

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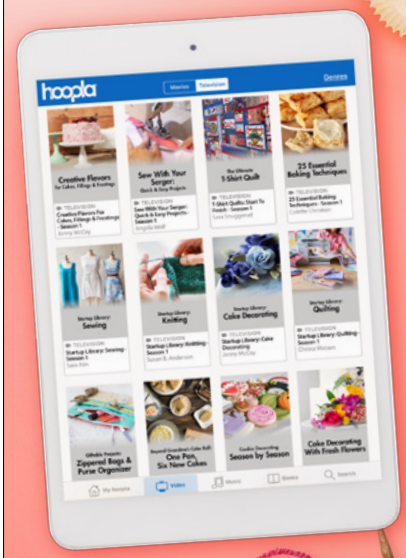

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- Knitting
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- Sewing

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Hoopla Bonus Borrows are back in August!

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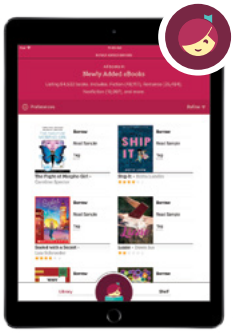

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NEW MOVIE & TELEVISION SERIES RELEASES

TV Series Title: *Life Below Zero: Next Generation* // **Rating:** TV-14
Synopsis: In *Life Below Zero: Next Generation,* the all-new cast members have tried contemporary life and rejected it in favor of a life of freedom in the brutal Alaskan wilderness.

Movie Title: *Sublet* // **Rating:** NR
Synopsis: A New York Times travel writer comes to Tel Aviv after suffering a tragedy. The energy of the city and his relationship with a younger man brings him back to life.

Movie Title: *Spiral* // **Rating:** R
Synopsis: A criminal mastermind unleashes a twisted form of justice in this terrifying new chapter from the book of *Saw.* Working in the shadow of his father, an esteemed police veteran, brash Detective Ezekiel 'Zeke' Banks and his rookie partner take charge of a grisly investigation into murders that are eerily reminiscent of the city's gruesome past. Unwittingly trapped in a deepening mystery, Zeke finds himself at the center of the killer's morbid game.