



WPL NEWSLETTER

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NOTEABLE DUNELAND WOMEN

In 1849, German feminist and author Louise Otto wrote, “The history of all times, and of today especially, teaches that...women will be forgotten if they forget to think about themselves.”

It has only been in this century that women have become recognized characters in Duneland’s local history. For too many years, the stories of our female pioneers, immigrants, business owners, farmers, and industrial workers have been forgotten. The Westchester Township History Museum has been working to put these women back into the local history conversation.

We will celebrate Women’s History Month with a new set of daily Facebook posts highlighting the lives of 31 local women that you may have never heard about. It is important to recognize and share these stories of women who lived and worked behind the scenes.

You can also celebrate Women’s History Month by participating in WPL’s Women’s History Month Scavenger Hunts. Visit the Thomas Branch, Hageman Branch, and the Westchester Township History Museum to complete the scavenger hunt challenge at each location. Find the stories of 10 inspirational women at each location for a chance to win an annual pass to the IN Dunes State Park!

We encourage you to recognize and share the stories of the women who have made an impact on you. Share a post on social media. Write a short biography about her for your family, friends, or community. Take a moment to remember her, and help put her story back in history.



Charlotte Reed (top left); Cecilia Hillstrom (top right); Agnes Morgan (middle); Ellena (Thomas) Haslett (bottom left); Elmatie Waugh (bottom right)



Women's History Month Scavenger Hunts



Celebrate Women's History Month with a scavenger hunt! Follow the clues to discover details about the historic, inspirational women of Duneland. We'll have indoor scavenger hunts set up all month at the Thomas Branch, Hageman Branch, and the History Museum.



- Just ask for a clue sheet at the front desk at each location.
- When you find all 10 clues hidden at each location, you will be entered into a drawing to win one of two available Indiana Dunes State Park Annual Passes.
- Visit all three locations for your greatest chance to win!
- One entry per location, per person.



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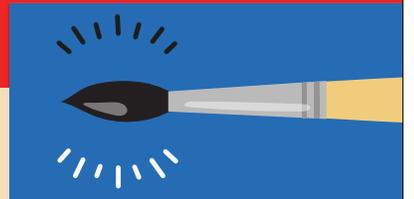


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NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK APRIL 3-9, 2022



TINY ART SHOW

CALLING ALL CREATIVES!

Celebrate National Library Week with WPL's Tiny Art Show. Register for a supply kit which includes paint, a brush, and a 4 inch square canvas. Transform your canvas with your creative vision, and return it to the Library by March 25, 2022 to be included in the Tiny Art Show.

The Tiny Art Show will be available for the public to **view from April 4 to May 4, 2022.**

Stop in and marvel at the talent of our community! The Tiny Art Show is open to all ages and abilities.

REGISTER TO PICK UP A KIT BEGINNING

FRIDAY, MARCH 4



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**SPRING
BOOK SALE**

**APRIL
SAT. 9 & SUN. 10
9 AM - 4 PM**

MEMBERS ONLY PREVIEW ON FRIDAY, APRIL 8, FROM 4 - 8 PM

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Join the Friends of the Westchester Public Library for their Spring Book Sale. Books and movies of all genres will be available at low prices.

Membership to the Friends of the Library may be purchased at the Thomas Circulation desk, or at the door the first night of the sale.

Proceeds from the sale are donated to WPL and help fund programs for all ages.



**WESTCHESTER
PUBLIC LIBRARY**

ZOOM CRAFT NIGHT FOR ADULTS



Loom Mug Rugs

*Weave between the lines...your mug wants a new rug!
Using cardboard, a popsicle stick, and some yarn,
learn how to create a coaster for your favorite drinks.
Your coffee table will thank you later. For adults ages 18 and up.*

Thursday, March 3

6:30 - 7:30 PM

- Registration opens FEBRUARY 23
- The supply kit is picked up at THOMAS from February 23 - March 2
 - This program will take place virtually via **zoom**

Register for this program online or call 219-926-7696 to reserve your spot.

LEARN LOCAL:



Spanish for Beginners

New to the Spanish language, or looking to reawaken your knowledge?
Join National Spanish Exam Director, Lisa Greenman to
learn basic Spanish words and phrases. For adults ages 18 and up.

Thursday, March 17
6:30-7:30 PM

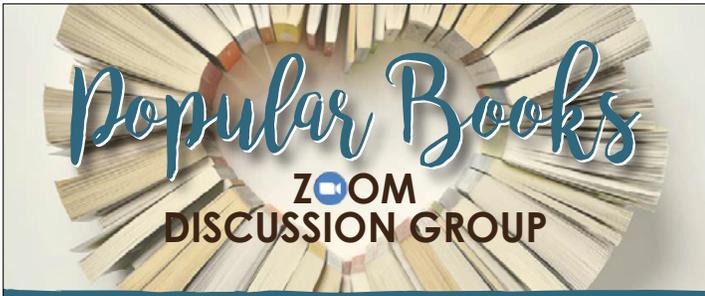
Pick up your kit of supplies at THOMAS from March 9 - 16.
This program will take place virtually via **zoom**.

Registration for this program opens **MARCH 9**.

Register for this program online or call 219-926-7696 to reserve your spot.

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Popular Books

**ZOOM
DISCUSSION GROUP**

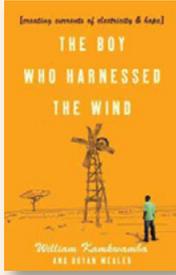
Monday, March 7 at 2 PM

The Boy Who Harnessed the Wind

By: William Kamkwamba

Join us for a discussion of William Kamkwamba's inspiring true story of hope, tenacity, and imagination.

After starving for five months on his family's farm, teenage Kamkwamba sets out to create a better life for himself and his family. He pursues the impossible dream of using "electric wind" to harness energy for the farm and the village, building a windmill from a motley collection of salvaged materials.



Copies of the book will be available for checkout at the Thomas Branch.

Next Month's Book

April 4: What This River Keeps

By: Greg Schwipps

This program will take place virtually via **zoom**.

Register for this program online or call 219-926-7696 to reserve your spot.

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BI-FOCAL BOOKIES

ZOOM EDITION

On Earth We're Briefly Gorgeous by Ocean Vuong

With stunning urgency and grace, Ocean Vuong writes of people caught between disparate worlds, and asks how we heal and rescue one another without forsaking who we are. The question of how to survive, and how to make of it a kind of joy, powers this important debut novel.



Limited copies are available at Hageman.

**TUESDAY, MARCH 8
1 - 2 PM**

This program will take place virtually via **zoom**.

Register for this program online or call 219-926-9080 to reserve your spot starting MARCH 1.

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BIRD WATCHERS

Club



DIY Bird Perch Kit

Prime bird watching season is just around the corner. Create your very own bird perch to get a close view.

For adults ages 18 and up.

Registration for this Kit opens **MARCH 2**

This kit is picked up at THOMAS from March 9 - 16. Reserve your kit online or call the Thomas Branch at 219-926-7696.

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ADULT CRAFT KIT:

IRISH SODA BREAD

Celebrate St. Patrick's Day by making a loaf of traditional Irish Soda Bread. This simple Irish classic is a staple in many households and a symbol of celebration leading up to Saint Patrick's Day. Traditionally, this tasty bread is served slathered with butter. This kit is for adults ages 18 and up.



Registration for this Craft Kit opens **March 5.**

Reserve your kit online or call the Hageman Branch at 219-926-9080. This kit is picked up at HAGEMAN from March 12 - 19.

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ZOOM CRAFT NIGHT FOR ADULTS **BROWN BAG** **BRAG BOOKS**



*Brag all about it! Show off your favorite memories AND your DIY skills.
We'll demonstrate how to make a scrapbook
using just lunch bags. For adults ages 18 and up.*

Tuesday, March 15

6:30 - 7:30 PM

- Registration opens MARCH 7
- The supply kit is picked up at THOMAS from March 7 - 14
 - This program will take place virtually via **zoom**

Register for this program online or call 219-926-7696 to reserve your spot.

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CRAFT KIT: SELF-WATERING PLANTER



Never forget to water your plants again!
This kit will provide everything you need to make your own self-watering pot. Your thumb's looking greener already.
For adults ages 18 and up.



Registration for this Craft Kit opens
MARCH 17

Reserve your kit online or call the Thomas Branch at 219-926-7696.
This kit is picked up at **THOMAS** from March 28 - April 4.

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CRAFT KIT *Inspirational Art*



This Craft Kit contains everything you need to create a stunning inspirational piece of wall art.
For adults 18 and up.



Registration for this Craft Kit opens
March 17

Reserve your kit online or call the Hageman Branch at 219-926-9080.
This kit is picked up at **HAGEMAN** from March 24 - April 1.

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ZOOM CLASS FOR ADULTS



Andy Warhol Pop Art

Friday,
March 25
1 - 2 PM

Join local artist and educator, Marsha Browne for a biography of the American artist, Andy Warhol, and his Pop Art. Then create a work of Pop Art in the style of his famous soup cans.

Registration opens March 18

- This kit is picked up at HAGEMAN from March 18 - 25.
- This program will take place virtually via **zoom**

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

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Culture Club



**For Tweens
in Grades 5 - 8**

Explore the world with us, one country (and one snack) at a time. The world is an exciting place full of amazing sights and food, and we want to share it with you!

VIA ZOOM

This month we will be learning about Japan! We will also eat snacks and play trivia! Join us to learn more about this amazing world we live in.

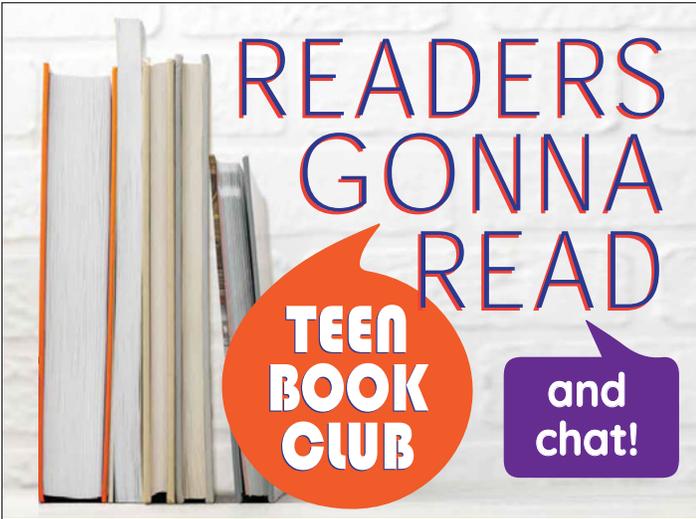


**Monday, March 14
6:00 - 7:00 PM**

The accompanying kit can be picked up
at **THOMAS** from March 7 - 14.

This event will take place via Zoom. **Camera use is optional.**
Reserve your spot online or call the Thomas Branch
at 219-926-7696 starting March 7.





READERS GONNA READ

**TEEN
BOOK
CLUB**

**and
chat!**

FOR TEENS IN GRADES 9 - 12

on **ZOOM**

**Thursday, March 10
6 - 7 PM**

This month's theme is: Strength in many forms.

Read something that you feel fits the theme and come prepared to share! We will also be discussing the meaning of strength and the many forms it can take.

Reserve your spot online or by calling 219-926-7696 starting **MARCH 3**.
This event will take place virtually, via Zoom. **Use of camera is optional.**

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CRAFT KIT *Flowers for Spring*

CRAFT KIT FOR TEENS IN GRADES 9 - 12

Celebrate the first day of Spring (March 20th!) by making some paper flowers.

**Registration for
this Kit opens
MARCH 11**



This kit is picked up at THOMAS from March 18 - 25.
Reserve your kit online or call the Thomas Branch at 219-926-7696.

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CRAFT KIT: MACRAME BIRD FEEDER

CRAFT KIT FOR TWEENS IN GRADES 5 - 8

March 20th is the first day of Spring! What better way to celebrate than to make a bird feeder to welcome the birds back? Sign up for this kit to make a simple hanging bird feeder.

**Registration for this kit opens
MARCH 14.**

This kit is picked up at HAGEMAN from March 21 - 28.
Reserve your kit online or call the Hageman Branch at 219-926-9080.

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The Kiplinger Letter (Print)

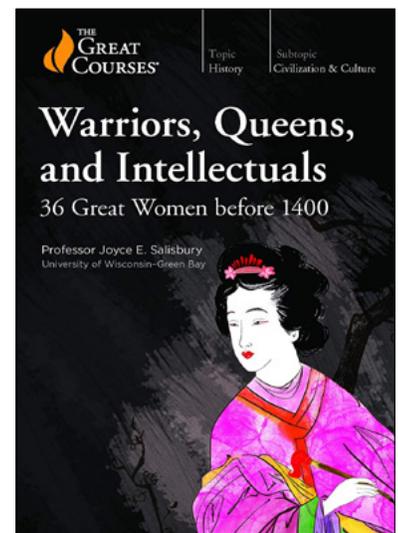
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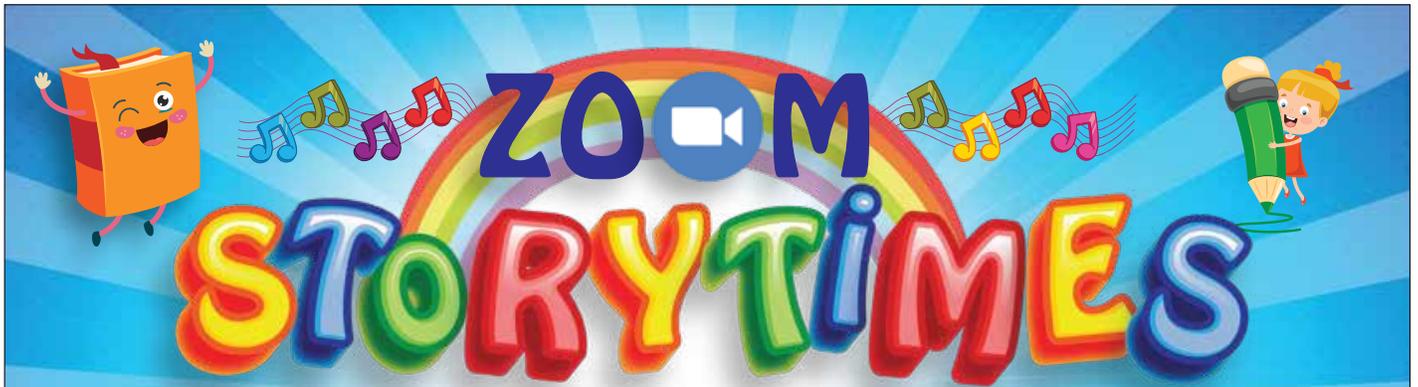
THE GREAT COURSES

Warriors, Queens, and Intellectuals: 36 Great Women Before 1400 (Book & DVD)

In *Warriors, Queens, and Intellectuals*, taught by Professor Emerita of Humanistic Studies Joyce E. Salisbury, you will experience another side of history. In these 36 lectures, women step out from the footnotes and sidebars of traditional history and into the spotlight, illuminating the dark corners of the pre-modern world along the way. From thwarted daughters and ambitious wives to fearless revolutionaries and brilliant philosophers, you will see how women have played diverse roles throughout history and why their influence is so vital to a fuller understanding of the world we live in today.

Beginning at the start of the Roman Empire and carrying you through to the end of the Middle Ages, Professor Salisbury will introduce you to dozens of influential women from all across the globe. She will show you contributions great and small, ordinary and astonishing. You will see how many of these women never intended to do more than live their lives in peaceful obscurity, while others wanted to—and often did—change the world. In unearthing these stories, we are not only able to rediscover the contributions of women—often lost to time and whose stories were written to fit prevailing prejudices—but we are also able to see our own history in new, more nuanced ways. These stories can give us a understanding of the past and how it has shaped the world we live in today.





Toddler Time

For children ages 2-3

Join Miss Cyndi and Grandma Ann for a very active, musical storytime session.

MONDAYS 10-10:30 AM

4/4 • 4/11 • 4/18 • 4/25

Registration for this program/Storytime pick-up kit opens **MARCH 28.**

Tickle Tales

For children ages 9 months - 2 years

Join Miss Ronnie for an interactive program filled with songs, stories, fingerplays, and nursery rhymes.

TUESDAYS 10-10:30 AM

4/5 • 4/12 • 4/19 • 4/26

Registration for this program opens **MARCH 29.**

Little Explorers: MATH ROCKS!

For children ages 4-6

Together, we will focus on our math skills while reading numerical stories and activities to learn arithmetic.

WEDNESDAYS 4-4:30 PM

4/6 • 4/13 • 4/20 • 4/27

Registration for this program/Storytime pick-up kit opens **MARCH 30.**

Your one-time registration will reserve your spot for the duration of this series.

Register for this program/Storytime Kit online or call to reserve your spot.

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CRAFTERNOONS

PICK-UP CRAFT KIT

at the Hageman Branch



POINTILLISM LEAF ART

This craft kit is for ages 2-5.

Experiment with the painting technique called Pointillism while making a painting of a leaf. A bio of Georges Seurat will be included in the kit.



Registration opens
FEBRUARY 26.

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 **MARCH 5 - 12.**

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Tinker & Create!



**CRAFT KIT FOR KIDS IN GRADES 1st-4th
AT HAGEMAN BRANCH**



Hexbug Habitat Engineering Challenge

Registration for this Craft Kit
begins on Monday, March 7

The challenge? Design and build a hexbug habitat with at least two levels, then send us a photo of your habitat. This kit contains items for building your habitat, or you can add your own items. 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 March 14 - 21.

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CRAFT KIT: RAINBOW

Wind Chime

FOR CHILDREN
AGES 3-5



Who needs rain to have a rainbow?

You can have a rainbow anytime, day or night with this easy breezy wind chime craft. You'll also create a rainbow of colors while completing a Skittles science experiment. The kit also includes a list of additional resources to learn more.

Registration for this Pick-up Craft Kit
opens **MARCH 12.**

Reserve your kit online or call the Thomas Branch at 219-926-7696.
This kit is picked up at **THOMAS** from **MARCH 19 - 26.**

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Cat's Cradle and More! String Games

for Grades 1st-4th

**March 17
4 PM**

Registration for this
zoom
program opens
March 10th.

Learn the Cat's Cradle, one of history's most popular children's games, during this Zoom program. We'll learn classic string games and string figures such as Witch's Broom and Parachute, which will be perfect for unplugged fun at home, on the road, or wherever you go.

Register for this program/kit online or call 219-926-7696 to reserve your spot. Pick up your kit at **THOMAS** March 10 - 17.

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Westchester Township History Museum on



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5. Enjoy your Library materials!

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Saturday 11:30am-4:30pm at Thomas Branch; Saturday 1:30pm-4:30pm at Hageman Branch
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NEW MOVIE & TELEVISION SERIES RELEASES

Movie Title: *Encanto* // **Rating:** PG

Synopsis: The Madrigals live hidden in the mountains of Colombia in a wondrous, charmed place called an Encanto. The magic of the Encanto has blessed every child in the family with a unique gift—every child except Mirabel. But when she discovers that the magic surrounding the Encanto is in danger, Mirabel decides that she might just be her exceptional family’s last hope.

Movie Title: *Marvel’s Eternals* // **Rating:** PG-13

Synopsis: Following the events of *Avengers: Endgame*, an unexpected tragedy forces a group of ancient aliens who have been living on Earth in secret for thousands of years out of the shadows to reunite against mankind’s most ancient enemy, the Deviants.

TV Series Title: *Gomorra: The Series Season 1* // **Rating:** TV-MA

Synopsis: Discover the gangster show phenomenon, based on Roberto Saviano’s best-selling book and the award-winning film. The first year captures the inside story of the Neapolitan crime organization the Camorra. It is shown through the eyes of *Ciro*, the obedient and self-confident right-hand man of the clan’s godfather.

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