

Fred & Harriett Taylor Memorial Library

Library Update • September—October 2020

The 2020 Chronicles—Where we are now

From the Director

Thank you to our library community for the patience and support you have offered us during these difficult and uncertain times. After following all the guidelines to ensure the safety and health of our patrons, volunteers, and staff, we are happy to say we have been able to increase our services as we experience the changes driven by the covid crisis, and we will continue to do so as permitted. Your safety and ours are paramount.

We wish we could tell you exactly how long we will be sticking with the current options and what the future weeks and months will look like, but things change daily and we can't give you those timelines as we just don't know them.

In the meantime, rest assured we are keeping up with all the recommendations and are working hard to offer you safe service! Thank you so much for your understanding, flexibility, and continued love for our Library. Sally Jacoby Murphy

We are open for limited browsing during our open hours:

Monday 10-6 - Tuesday 2-6 - Wednesday 10-6 Thursday 2-6 - Friday 10-5 - Saturday 10-2

The Rules: Enter at the William Street front entrance. There is a sign-in station, hand sanitizer and masks, if you forgot yours. Wearing a mask is required. We ask that you wear gloves, which we will provide, to handle the library materials. Sneeze shields are in place at the circulation desk. You will be exiting on the Shethar Street side. The parking lot is easily accessible from both sides of the building.

<u>Inside the Library</u>: Right now hanging out for any reason, such as reading, using your own or the library's laptops, using the copier yourself, using the restrooms, spending time in the Children's play area is not allowed. As these features become available, we will let you know by posting it on the website and on facebook.

Outside the Library: Our WIFI is available 24/7 and accessible on the patio and in the parking lot. The network and password are posted on the front and back doors.

Interlibrary loan within our system is available. Log onto STARCat and place a hold to your account, or call us at 569-2045 with your requests. Out-of-system loans are not available as of yet.

Curbside Service is still an option. Please let us know if you prefer to pick your materials up at the door. You may place holds on line, or call us with your requests. When we have them ready, we will check them out to you, let you know they are here. You can knock on the front door on William Street and will hand you your materials.

The Book Sale Rooms are now open EVERY Saturday from 10-2

SPECIALS

October 10 — BOGO (Buy one, get one of equal price) November 7 — Bag of Paperbacks for \$5 (We provide the bag.)

Safety precautions are in place and wearing a mask is required. Enter at the lower end of the building ... browse the extensive selections. More coming in weekly.

Monthly — Special Selections of Free Books

Go to our website hammondsportlibrary.org and explore

For books and DVDs, go to **STARCat** our online CATALOG and sign into your account.

Have your library card number and pin ready. Call us if you need assistance.

Digital Options

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Enjoy free Wi-Fi 24/7 Network is HPL Password is FHTMLibrary Includes patio & parking lot areas.



Little Bookworms Story Time Facebook Live —Wednesdays at 9

For newborns to five year olds & their caregivers

Virtual Story Walks

Walk around the grounds and read a children's picture book story, starting at the front door on William Street. So far we've done **Peter Rabbit, City Dog, Country Frog, Pigeon Finds a Hot Dog!** and coming soon — **Curious George Goes to a Costume Party.** Look for the story pages on the outside of the building, the trees and park benches!

Revisit the SUMMER READING PROGRAM—Share Your Story Sally presented Summer Reading & Activities on FACEBOOK Live <u>Watch any videos you missed</u> at your convenience on Facebook.

Watch Facebook LIVE every Thursday at noon with Sally Jacoby Murphy ... who will be presenting an activity or craft.

The videos will be available to view at your leisure.



Take Home De-Stress Kits — include an easy craft ... for all ages.

Ask at the front desk for our latest one.

Hammondsport Book Club is meeting at 6:45 pm on October 19, 2020 at the Hammondsport Fire Hall — with social distancing. Face masks will be worn and chairs will be spread 6 feet apart.

The book for October's discussion is <u>Eleanor Oliphant is Completely Fine</u>, by Gail Honeyman. Copies are available to checkout at the library. *The book club is open to everyone.*



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