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CLEARVIEW LIBRARY DISTRICT

Planning for the Future

Most of us have experienced a book that keeps us thinking long after we've put it down. At the Clearview Library District, we are grappling with some important questions, that just like a great book, are keeping us up at night.

The Library, like other services in our area, is planning for how to best serve the influx of residents into Windsor, Severance, and West Greeley. For us, that means looking at how we serve 23,000 residents in a facility originally built to serve 10,000; how we keep up with the demands of circulating 386,932 items, more than twice the number of items we circulated just 10 years ago; and how we accommodate the 770% increase in attendance at children's programs in that same timeframe.

What is the solution to this dilemma? We are considering a mill levy increase to pay for the construction and operation of a

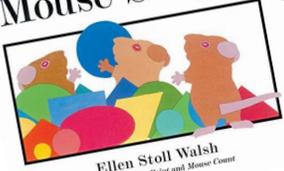
larger, more central library facility that will better serve the growing communities around us. So far, we have held two meetings to get input from the community about the components and design of a new library. An additional meeting will take place at the Library on July 10 at 5:30 P.M.

The design conversations have focused on a 35,000-square-foot library facility that would house state-of-the-art technology, a multipurpose community meeting room, a dedicated quiet space, collaboration spaces, a phenomenal children's area, and outdoor spaces for everyone. Current construction estimates put the cost of a new 35,000-square-foot facility at around \$25 million, and the cost to homeowners at an estimated \$5 a month for a \$300,000 residential property. [Click here](#) to read answers to frequently asked questions about the new library project.

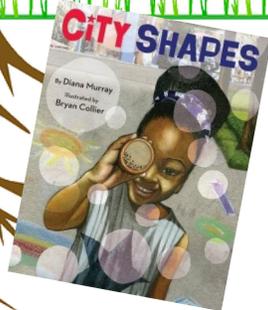
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Growing Readers

Mouse Shapes



Ellen Stoll Walsh
Creator of *Home Diner* and *Mouse Count*



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As other public services in our area expand to meet the local building boom and record enrollment in our schools, we believe it is just as important for our community's library facility to be a comfortable and inviting place for people of all ages. We are proud to look to the future and create opportunities that will spark the diverse interests of our patrons and offer both expected and unexpected ways to explore, learn, and discover far into the future.

Our intent is to add the greatest value for the greatest number of citizens and community organizations in our area, which is why we have invited you to be a part of the design and construction process and will continue to do so. This will be your library, and we want to ensure that it meets your needs and expectations. Please join us for the next community meeting on July 10 at 5:30 P.M., or reach out to us to share your perspective at:

connect@clearviewlibrary.org.

The library board will decide in August whether to refer a question to the ballot this November. If voters approve the funding in November 2017, the library will open in 2019.

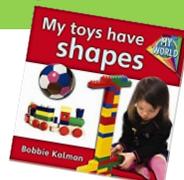
When learning to read a child must know the letters of the alphabet. But how do we assist in building letter identification skills?

Learning to tell one letter from another involves being able to see the differences in letter shapes. Let's learn shapes!



Explore objects with your baby or toddler. Talk about what you see. "This ball is blue and round. The box is a square and blue."

Let them touch the objects. Use words like "rectangular prism" with your preschooler. Play I Spy with the shapes you see around you.



July Outreach Events

Weekly Programs

Stories in Severance at Severance Town Hall: Tuesdays, 10:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.

Books, songs, bubbles, crafts, and more! This program is for little ones, ages 0-6, and their grown-ups. No registration is required.

Fun Fridays at Severance Town Hall: Fridays, 4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Full STEAM ahead! LEGOS, Playmags, crafts, science, and more. There is something for everyone! All ages are welcome and no registration is required.

The Bookmobile at Severance Town Hall: Tuesdays, 9:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. & Fridays, 4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Come check out books, movies, playaways, audio books, make a craft, and play a game!

Pop-Up Library at the Concerts in the Park and Farmer's Market at Boardwalk Park: Thursday nights, 5:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Special Events



Rec & Tech at Lakeview Park in Severance: Tuesday, July 11th & August 1st, 6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Join us at Lakeview Park to play with our large collection of tech toys. Fly a drone, compete in a lawn game, make a craft, explore gems with a local geologist, and have a snack! All ages are welcome. Children under 12 need to bring a grown-up. No registration is required.



Fire Station Fun at Severance Fire Station: Thursday, July 13th, 10:30-11:00 a.m.

Play, craft, and read with friends at the fire station. Ages 2-5 and their grow-ups. No registration is required.



Tumbling in Severance at Severance Town Hall: Tuesday, July 18th, 11:15 a.m. - 11:45 a.m.

Giggle those wiggles out and have fun moving to music with A Dance Place! Ages 2-5 with their grow-ups. No registration is required.



Family BINGO Night at Severance Town Hall: Friday, July 21st, 6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Bring a sack dinner. Play BINGO, win prizes, and eat snacks with friends and family. Everyone is welcome and no registration is required. This is a free event.



Under the Sea at Severance Town Hall: Thursday, July 27th, 10:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

Celebrate ocean life with sea-themed crafts and activities in Severance. Ages 2-5 and their grown-ups. No registration is required.



July Adult Programming

[Tuesday, July 11th, 6:30 — 7:30 p.m.](#)

Painted Rock Cactus Craft

Decorate a flower pot and “plant” some painted rock cactus! We’ll show you how to create this cute and easy craft. No green thumb needed.

Registration is required.



[Tuesday, July 18th, 6:30 - 7:30 p.m.](#)

Lessons Learned from Sick Tree Day

Join Allison O’Connor from the Windsor Tree Board as she discusses the common problems and observations of what’s currently affecting the trees in Windsor’s community.



[Thursday, July 13th, 6:30 - 7:30 p.m.](#)

Alternative Investments



Are you getting started in investing or wondering about alternative investment options? This class will provide information on socially

responsible investing, venture capital, hedge funds, REITs, precious metals, and collectibles.

[Tuesday, July 25th, 6:30 - 7:30 p.m.](#)

An Evening with an Astronaut

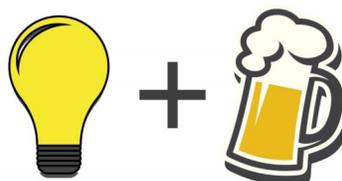
Shuttle Commander Loren Shriver will share his experiences with the Hubble Telescope and other NASA projects. All ages welcome. Children must be accompanied by an adult.



[Thursday, July 13th, 6:00 - 7:30 p.m.](#)

Pub Trivia @ High Hops

Put on your thinking cap and team up with your friends for our monthly pub trivia night at High Hops Brewery (second Thursday each month). Sign up in person at the brewery starting at 5:30 p.m. or register your team of 5 or fewer players in advance online at clearviewlibrary.org.



Events for YOU(th)!

Jack and Kitty

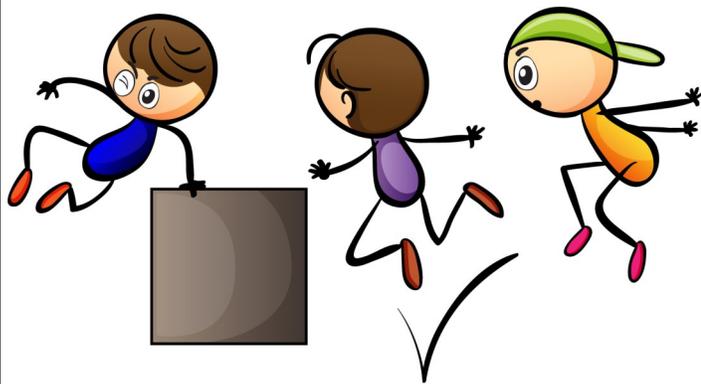
July 5th @ 10:00 am

Music and stories!

No storytimes this day.

Ages 2-5 and their grown-ups.

See our online calendar for other events such as Bedtime Yoga, Block Party, and weekly storytimes!



Build Your Own Obstacle Course!

July 19th

@6:30-7:30 pm

Ages 9+. No registration required.

See our online calendar for other events like Color Blast Lock In and Cowboy Concert!

Teen Cupcake Decorating Competition

Wed., July 12th @ 6-7:30 pm

Register on our website.

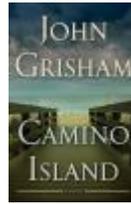
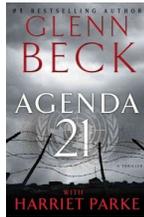
See our online calendar for other events like the S'mores and Bonfire Hangout, DIY Fandom Fashion Show, and GLOW Steal Bingo!



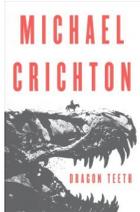
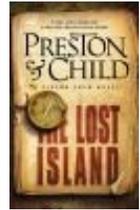
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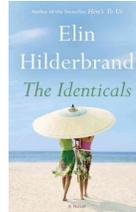
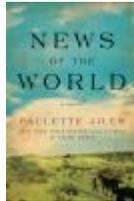
The Handmaid's Tale by Margaret Atwood, you might like *Agenda 21* by Glenn Beck.



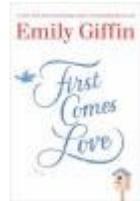
Camino Island by John Grisham, you might like *The Lost Island* by Douglas Preston.



Dragon Teeth by Michael Crichton, you might like *News of the World* by Paulette Giles.



The Identicals by Elin Hilderbrand, you might like *First Comes Love* by Emily Giffin.



Staff Spotlight on Katie

Hometown: Fort Collins, CO

Interests: Video Games, Hiking, Reading, Traveling, Swimming.

Favorite Book: *Soulless* by Gail Carriger and the *Harry Potter* series.

Favorite Quote: "This is my favorite book in all the world, though I have never read it." -- William Goldman, *The Princess Bride*

Job at the Library: Customer Service Specialist



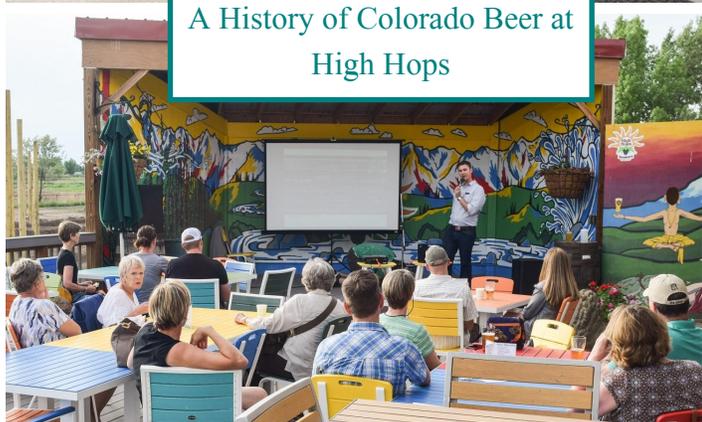
June Event Photos



A History of Colorado Beer at High Hops



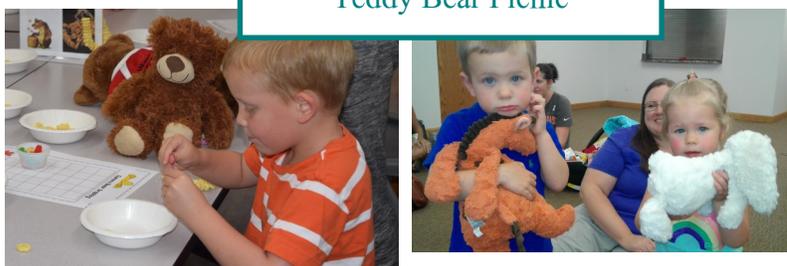
Windsor Grind Skateboard & Scooter Competition



Tales of Adventure with Wands and Wishes!



Teddy Bear Picnic



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