

Library Link



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Note from the Director

This winter, library staff and board have been working on many new services and improvements to the library made possible from several grants that were mentioned in the winter edition.

The soundproofing tiles have been installed in the community room. We have noticed less echoing! We hope everyone enjoys a much quieter environment for their gatherings. Three trees were planted in early winter and we are looking forward to the day when they will provide shade for the library's yard. This spring, when the snow has melted, the outdoor benches will be installed for additional seating around the library and community room.

Many new items have been added to the library's collection. We are always adding to our book and movie collection. Recently, we added other "things" to our collection. Some of these things include a roaster, tents, playpen, and buster chair. Our digital collection is also growing. See Libby/Overdrive article on page 2 for more information.

Join us this year as we participate in One State/One Story. This year's theme is "World of Wonders." The chosen book is *World of Wonders: In Praise of Fireflies, Whale Sharks, and Other Astonishments* by Aimee Nezhukumatathil. We have several copies of this book, so stop by and check out one to enjoy. A book discussion will be held in late summer. See page 4 for programs and dates to go along with "World of Wonders." Not only will we be offering programs for "World of Wonders" but also adding many nature-oriented books to our collection. This has all been made possible through a grant from Indiana Humanities.

Everyone is invited to our open house on Saturday, April 9th from 11am-1pm to see the new offerings and improvements. This is your chance to enjoy some free food and interact with the library staff, board, and Friends of the Library.

Summer is coming soon! Mark your calendars for the summer reading program running June 1 – July 31. As activities are planned, they will be posted on social media.

Library Information

**105 North Ohio Street
PO Box 65
Remington, IN 47977
219-261-2543**

Facebook:

<https://www.facebook.com/Remington-Carpenter-Township-Public-Library-1113820539848266>

Instagram page:

https://www.instagram.com/remington_library/?hl=en

Library's website:

<https://rctpl.lib.in.us/>

Hours:

**Monday & Wednesday
10:00am—7:00pm
Tuesday & Friday
10:00am—5:00pm
Saturday
9:00am—1:00pm
Thursday & Sunday
Closed**

Library Closings:

**April 15 – Good Friday
May 30 – Memorial Day**



Exciting Developments

Overdrive/Libby

What is Overdrive? What is Libby? Overdrive is the company that holds the library's platform for electronic material. It is who we purchase eBooks, audiobooks, movies, magazines, and databases from. The original app was called Overdrive, which is now outdated. Anyone still using the Overdrive app should change over to the Libby app. Libby allows you to borrow eBooks, audiobooks, movies, magazines, and databases that were purchased from Overdrive. Download Libby (or visit www.libbyapp.com) and visit our electronic library 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. When using Libby, you never get a fine because you cannot lose the borrowed items (they are automatically returned by the system).



Recently, two databases were added to our collection: Craftsby and Great Courses. They are available through your Libby app. These two databases allow you to take classes; some are just a few lessons long, while others can be 30 lessons long. Craftsby offers lessons on beginner quilting, sewing, knitting, and cooking. This is a good way to learn a new craft. Great Courses offers classes on economics & finance, history, mathematics, professional & personal growth, travel, food & wine, hobby & leisure, music & fine arts, health, fitness & nutrition, literature & language, philosophy & religion, and science. Courses from Great Courses are in-depth enough that they can be used as high school courses for homeschoolers. These databases are available through the Libby app or www.libbyapp.com.

In the near future, we will merge with another Indiana Overdrive consortium. At this time, I don't know how it will affect our patrons other than having a greater amount of material available to them. Should you experience any problems when logging into your account on either Overdrive or Libby, please call the library and we will help you.

If you want to find out more about any of our services and upcoming events, feel free to access our Instagram, Facebook, and website pages. We update them regularly and there is a wealth of entertaining and educational information stored within them!

Programs



Remington Library

A Meal Using a... Slow Cooker

With PU Extension
Educator, Carmon

Mar. 21, 2021
6:30 pm EST

www.rctpl.lib.in.us

Please register for this program by calling the library at 219-261-2543. Thanks!



Photo Contest

Shutterbugs, are you ready for a thrilling challenge? The library is up to the task, and we want you—children and adults—to submit photographs of structures you can find around Remington. These structures may be manmade or created by animals and insects; the choice is yours! You can enter up to four photos. Photos with people will not be accepted. Please submit your entries in 300ppi, in a landscape format, using this email: calendar@rctpl.lib.in.us. Please provide your name, contact information, the name of your photograph's file, and the category in which you wish to enter it (adult or child). Winning pictures will be used in the library's 2023 calendar. Have fun!

Open House

Saturday, April 9 from 11am – 1pm

Programs

April Poetry Reading Sign-Up

December 22nd-March 31st
Ask librarians for more information

April Poetry Reading

April 9th

at

10am EST

*Birds of Summer fly
Gray sadness of winter falls
Deep within my heart*
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Oceans of Possibilities

Summer Reading Program

June 1 – July 31



One State/One Story World of Wonders

Native and Invasive Plant Workshop

April 25 at 7pm

Learn about native and invasive plants.
Take home a free plant for your garden.

Ocean Painting Class

June 20 at 6pm

Free class. Paint an ocean picture.

Book Discussion

Sept 10 at 10am

Discuss "World of Wonders" by Aimee Nezhukumatathil
while snacking on some delicious treats.

Registration Required!



Remington Carpetner
Township Public Library
219-261-2543



National Library Week

It is with great excitement that the Remington Library announces the impending onset of National Library Week, that special time of year when libraries and librarians are celebrated alike! This holiday will begin on April 4th and last until April 10th, and we plan on honoring it with the following activities.

During National Library Week the library will offer a few chances to win a \$50 gift card. Visit the library and social media pages (Facebook and Instagram) to find out how.

After listening to great poetry recitations during our 10am Poetry Reading on April 9th, you can enjoy some hotdogs and chips (while supply lasts), see what items are in the Library of Things, and learn about our digital collection during our 11am to 1pm open house. Other activities are planned for the event, as well. Feel free to come when you can; you do not have to attend the Poetry Reading in order to take part in the open house, but we hope you can attend both events.

Of course, that is not all we have to offer—far from it. In addition to these fun family-friendly events, our library has other services and items available for your use. For instance, the Library of Things has elements that appeal to all age groups and interests; it has everything from baking tins to a metal detector, to puzzles and games for the children and grandchildren! Also available for your convenience is a copy machine, fax machine, scanner, printer, and four operative computers—all for in-library use only. Additionally, our collection of movies continues to grow, and we constantly are obtaining new books for fans of every genre, too.

Children's Book Week

During Children's Book Week, May 2-8, the library will offer special activities, including a reading challenge and coloring contest. Make sure you remember to stop by the library and participate!

The reading of all good books is like conversation with the finest [people] of the past centuries. –
Descartes

Meet the Author:

Matt Haig

An author whose work revolves around overcoming depression and living life as best as one can, this novelist's work has been translated into more than forty languages, several audiobooks, and shall soon be projected onto the silver screen. He prefers to pen tales within the science fiction genre, often with an underlying theme of making trying decisions and learning to live with their consequences.



Although Haig exhibits a propensity for writing adult science fiction, he also has written a plethora of children's books, including the series known as *A Boy Called Christmas*. Currently, the library has one of his books available for patrons to peruse: *The Midnight Library*, a tale in which downcast Nora Seed is given a chance to relive innumerable versions of her life while correcting every error she ever made. She soon comes to realize, however, that not all mistakes were meant to be righted...and every action has its consequence.

Matt Haig was born on July 3, 1975, and has spent much of his life in London, Ibiza, and Leeds. Much of his work is based on his own life experiences and his discovering that life needs to be embraced, not cast away before its time.

Meet the Staff: Lynette Lane

After retiring from the local ambulance team, Lynette realized she was not ready to stay at home full-time. She decided she wanted a change from what she was used to, and so submitted her application. Now, Lynette has worked at the library for two years and four months; her favorite part of being a librarian is visiting with patrons. She also loves that she has more time to read.

Lynette's favorite books are those written by Diana Palmer and Linda Lael Miller, and her favorite movie is *Uncle Buck*. She loves to spend her free time reading, walking, shopping, and playing games with her grandchildren.

Memorials

In memory of Rick Harper, Mark and Chris Legler donated *Seventy Years of Farm Tractors: 1930-2000* by Brian Bell.