

Newsletter from the Best Friends

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Best Friends Welcome You

Hours of Operation

Monday 10am-5pm Tuesday 10am-7:30pm Wednesday 10am-5pm Thursday 10am-7:30pm Friday 10am-5pm Saturday 9am-2pm

Change the World

The Best Friends of the Ripley Library proudly present a new program that reaches out to everyone, whether you volunteer to help change the world or are a recipient of our efforts. We ask everyone to play a part.

What exactly is the Change the World program? It's a program that through our thoughts and actions, we all join together to make the world a better place. Part of this would entail the kickoff of the **Human Experience**, a monthly gathering where we will share an invited guest's life and open the floor to a question & answer period. We will also launch a Rice & Bean drive in the month of May, with the proceeds going to the Ripley Food Pantry.

Not always able to make it to the library? You can change the world in so many other ways. Every month, there will be four possibilities listed here that you can do on your own. This world may have a lot of problems, but it only takes one person to make a change. Let it begin with you.

- 1) Donate your time volunteer at a church, hospital, library or somewhere that could use your help
- 2) Pick up some trash if you see it laying around, take the time to pick it up and throw it away.
- 3) Try being nice to everyone you meet for one whole day.
- 4) Text less/Call more -though texting is quicker, take the time to let others hear your voice.





Best Friends Fund Meeting: Saturday, May 21 @ 11a.m.

Library Board of Directors Election

Is coming up in June. Would you like a say in how the library is run? Apply to become a candidate for the Library Board. Contact the library at 716-736-3913 or stop by to get more information.



Craft & Story with Lori

Calling all 5 to 8 year old children—Come to the library every Thursday from 3:35 until 5p.m. Lori Fisher makes reading fun! Children will enjoy a story, work on crafts and have a snack. Register today! (Transportation to and from the library is the parents' responsibility.)

Parents! Donations of the following craft items would be greatly appreciated!

egg cartons glue sticks

paper towel center rolls glitter

plastic or silk flowers

Pringles cans

paper plates

Elmer's glue doilies

bathroom tissue center rolls

Marion Pell Day



In remembrance of Marion Pell, help us celebrate by donating a book to the Ripley Library. Join us at the library for a cupcake and punch on May 7th from 9a.m. until 2p.m.

Ripley Public Library is Open for Business

Mon. Wed. Fri. 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Tue. Thu. 10 a.m.-7:30 p.m. Sat. 9 a.m-2:00 p.m.



Change the World Rice & Beans

The Best Friends Group is sponsoring a Rice and Bean Drive the entire month of May, proceeds going to the Ripley Food Pantry.

Next time you're at the grocery store, pick up an extra bag, box or can of beans or rice and bring it to the library. These items don't go bad and it will help those in need. There will be a container near the circulation area. It's just one simple step to help Change the World.

Armchair Travels

Try the virtual tours on our web page, ripleylibrary.org. Once on our website, scroll to the bottom of the page and under Resources, select Virtual Tours/Parks/Cams. We are expanding our already impressive collection with many more sites to explore, including virtual road trips, museums, national parks and introducing 360 degree tours. It's a wonderful collection to explore by yourself or invite the entire family! Examples of tours:

Boston Children's Museum Old Faithful Devil's Tower

Dubai Museums Route 66 San Diego Zoo

New England Aquarium

Writer's Group Mondays @ 1p.m.

This group is for all levels of writers—never written but want to, beginners, experienced, and published authors. Create, learn, explore with this great group of people.

We are currently working on a memoir written by Sharon McIntosh and we're excited to share this book with you when it is printed. Watch for a release date!

Hold in your hands the book in your heart.





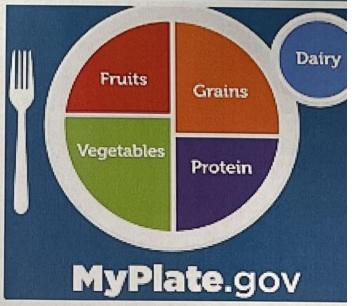
SAVE TIME. SAVE MONEY. EAT HEALTHY.
SOUTHWESTERN REGION

SAVE TIME, SAVE MONEY EAT HEALTHY

STOP IN FOR NUTRITION TIPS AND TRICKS. AS ALWAYS HEALTHY SAMPLES WILL BE AVAILABLE.

JOIN NUTRITIONIST MOLLY ON MAY 12TH, 2022 AT 11:00AM









Now Showing On the Big Screen

Friday Night movies!
May 27, 6p.m.

Join us for family friendly movies the last Friday of every month at 6p.m.

Popcorn, snacks & drinks will be sold at Intermission.

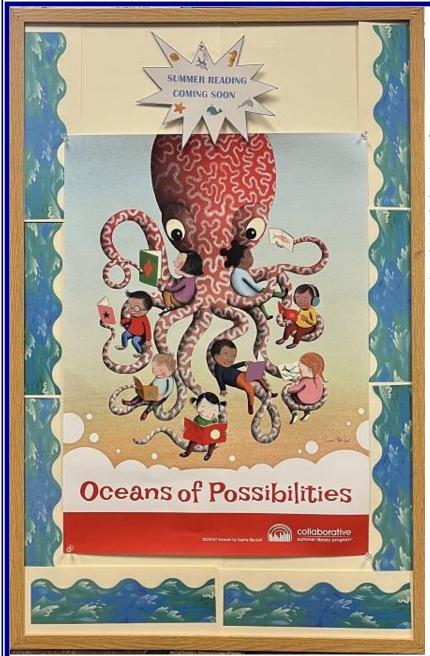
Kids are welcome to bring sleeping bags or blankets and wear their jammies to enjoy an evening out with the entire family!

Community Table

The Ripley Public Library welcomes community groups who would like to set up a table in our lobby to promote their business or group. Examples: VFW Poppy sales, Girl Scout cookie sales, as well as distribution of pamphlets or information about your group or activity. The library staff will not be responsible for the manning of these tables, and the table cannot be left unattended. A representative for the table must be present for items to be displayed.



Reservations must be made to establish specific dates and times. There is no cost, it's just our way of giving back to the community. 716-736-3913



SUMMER READING PROGRAM

The Summer reading program will be upon us sooner than you know! If you have any of the following items, we'd love to have you donate them for the program!

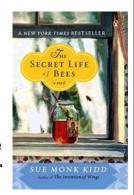
shoe boxes curly ribbon crepe paper rolls old crayons clothes pins snack items

THANKS FOR YOUR HELP!

Noble Book Club

Sunday, May 1st at 1 p.m. join us at Noble Winery on Hardscrabble Road, Westfield for Noble Book Club as we discuss Sue Monk Kidd's book *The Secret Life of Bees*.

This group will meet the first Sunday of every month at the winery, discussing many classics as well as a few contemporaries. We don't mind if you "wine" a bit. Call the library at 716-736-3913 for more information or to sign up.



AMONG FRIENDS

Beginning in May, the Best Friends are introducing a new program called Change the World. There will be many ideas and events that will encompass this plan. The Human Experience will include discussions with people from all walks of life followed by a question and answer session with the audience. We will also begin projects that reach out to our community including a bean and rice collection in May and a winter coat drive later in the year. And we're just getting started.

We are a group of dedicated people who continue to grow, with new members joining us every day. Please, won't you consider giving back a small amount of your time and effort to the library and the community by becoming a Friend. There are so many ways you can help. Call 716-736-3913 for more details.

Upcoming Events

The month of May starts out with a Bean and Rice Drive running the entire month of May followed by the Noble Book Club at the Noble Winery at 1 pm where we'll discuss The Secret Life of Bees by Sue Monk Kidd. Next in store, we will celebrate Marion Pell Day with cupcakes and punch. Snap Ed will teach us how to save time, money and eat healthy followed by another class from Snap Ed two weeks later on how to Stretch Your Dollar. Bake sales are back! Family Movie Night will show Lego Movie - The Second Part. Capping off the month will be a program illustrating how the Bookworm is created every month.

May 1-31 Beans and Rice Drive

May 1 Noble Book Club @ 1 pm

May 7 Marion Pell Day 9-2pm

May 12 Snap Ed New York (Save time money and eat healthy)

May 14 Spring Bake Sale

May 26 Snap Ed New York (Stretch your dollar)

May 27 Movie Night (Lego Movie The Second Part)

May 28 Creating the Bookworm @ 11am

For a sneak peak, June will welcome our first Human Experience Speaker, along with a Local Author Night, and we will launch this year's Summer Reading Program. So much to see and do at your library!

From the Director's Desk By Rhonda Thompson

We have had the showers in the form of both rain and snow, now it is time for the flowers! I am usually concerned about how quickly the months fly by, but with the inclement weather we have had for April, I am quite happy to say Good Bye April and HELLO May. Now we know we are over the hump for winter time and happy fun weather is here.

Even though Mother Nature was fighting with Old Man Winter, that did not stop us here at the library. I hope you all had a chance to get out here and have some fun at all the activities we had going on in April. May is going to be busy too, so be sure to stop in and get your share of the fun.

May 1st is our Noble Book Club held at Noble Winery at 1pm. This is always a good time. You really should check us out. We have our regular knitting and sewing groups who welcome all who want to come. Our program director has been very busy getting speakers to come in so set your calendars for May 12th and 26th at 11 am. Come on in and take part of the information these folks will have for you.

If you didn't take in movie night last month, try to make it this month. We are watching <u>The Lego Movie, the</u>

<u>Second Part</u> and it is sure to be a lot of fun for kids and grown-ups alike. Wear

your jammies and bring a sleeping bag or blanket. Then we are also having a Spring Bake Sale on the 14th. We could always use some donated baked goods and please stop out to support the library while getting yourself some special goodies.

Have you ever wondered what went into developing our newsletter? Would you like to learn about Publisher so you can make posters, invitations and flyers too? Well our expert Publisher user is giving a presentation on May 28th to do just that. Come on out, don't be shy and learn how to navigate around this very useful software. It is available on all of the library computers. Now is your chance to become a little more computer savvy.

Our new program <u>Craft and Story</u> with <u>Lori</u> is off to a great start and the kids are having a great time with us here.

We have also been busy scheduling and planning programming for the Summer Reading Program which begins on June 27^{th} and ends July 30^{th} . If you have children at home, be sure to sign them up so they can take part in our activities here.

We have a great deal going on at the Ripley Public Library and we want you to come join us for these fun times. Come make some memories.

See you at the library,



The Ripley Public Library offers many classes and events, and YOU have taken advantage of them in numbers! We appreciate your response and will continue to bring you as many quality programs as we can.

Would you like to show your support for the Ripley Public Library in a tangible way? A \$5 per month donation will give you space for a personal message or business card in The Bookworm, letting people know you are helping to make our library great!

DONATIONS!

As you know, the Ripley Library has been undergoing some major changes over the past two years. More is needed, however. The goal is to make our library a true community center with meeting rooms, private office rental spaces, and banquet facilities. Grants supply most of the monies needed for these projects, but matching funds are required as well.

We are currently raising money for much needed new bookshelves.

That's where you come in! Please consider making a donation to make this happen!

Please help!

Library Cards—Your Passport to Adventure

If you need a library card, come see us and we will Thank you for your support! help get you into the IN crowd.



What You Missed... in April

Poetry Night found 5 contributors reading either their own poems, or those of their favorite poets.



Sip & Paint Night had a full house with artists with little or no experience who created a wonderful painting.

Libby Class where the one-tap reading app was explained. Libby is a program that lets you borrow books digitally through your local library.





Movie Night with Clifford the Big Red Dog was a lot of fun! Be sure to see The Lego Movie in May.

Vendor/Craft/Plant Sale ended April 30th with a



large variety of crafts and products to choose from, as well as a variety of plants for

both your garden and home. Funds from this event will be used to purchase much needed new bookshelves.







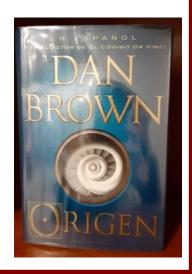
Don't miss out on the activities and events in May!

LIBROS NUEVOS EN ESPANOL NEW BOOKS IN SPANISH Spanish Language Books Now Available

The Ripley Library has now begun to purchase books in Spanish for our local Hispanic population. While books have always been available through the Chautauqua-

Cattaraugus Library System (CCLS) the library will now have its own collection of titles. Currently in the collection are the following:

Dan Brown/Origens
John Steinbeck/Viajes Con Charley
Patterson/ Besa a Las Mujeres
Reid/ Los Siete Maridos de Evelyn Hugo
Wright/ El Dia Del Fin Del Mundo
Follet/ Nunca



Ripley Public Library Has Become a Safe Place Location

What is a Safe Place Location, you might ask. A Safe Place works with the Safe House out of Jamestown and is part of Chautauqua Opportunities, Inc. This is a program for runaway or homeless youth under the age of 18. If this youth needs help, all they do is enter the facility displaying the yellow sign that reads SAFE PLACE. They let someone in charge know they need help. The person in charge will contact the Safe Place Agency and someone will come out. This counselor will talk with the youth, provide shelter and transportation if necessary.

Stop into the Library for more information or pick up a brochure.





Saving

Washington/Memorial

ADULT NONFICTION

Bocchicchio/15 Minutes to **Fitness** Duhigg/The Power of Habit Geve/The Boy Who Drew Auschwitz Gray/Sweet Like Jasmine Jha/How to Raise a Feminist Son Reese/The End of Animal **Farming** Schumacher/Mighty Fitz Yang/One Mighty and Irre-

LARGE PRINT

sistible Tide

Adams/A Partnership with Death Boggs/The Raven's Honor Coonts/The Armageddon Dinh/After Disasters

PAPERBACKS

Coben/Hold Tight Smits/A Message for Julia Wiggs/Miranda

YOUNG ADULT

Day/The Possibility of Somewhere Dhillon/Sunny G's Series of Niven/Holding Up the Uni-Valdes/Spin Me Right

JUNIOR BOOKS

Chapman/The Tribe

Gutman/My Weird School Series: Books 1-21 Lamana/Upside Down in the Middle of Nowhere Mohammed/Luna and the Pet Dragon National Geographic/Just Joking 3 National Geographic/Weird but True Nickel/Night of the Homework Zombies Petroff/Bedeviled Thiessen/Friends Forever

EASY READERS

Aleksandrova/Mother's Love Bennett/Not Norman: A Goldfish Story Bunting/Flower Garden Mayer/A Green, Green Garden McFarland/Widget McNamara/Apples: A to Z Parish/Play Ball, Amelia Bedelia Wing/The Night Before Mother's Day

MOVIES

Clifford the Big Red Dog

Mowledge is free at the library. Just bring your own container.

Noble Book Club

1st Sunday of every month at Noble Winery, Hardscrabble Road, Westfield, NY

Knitting & Crochet Group meets Tuesdays, noon until 3:30.



All levels welcome.



Sewing Group meets Thursdays, noon until 3p.m.

Quilters and sewers of all levels are welcome.



Ripley Writer's Group



716-736-3913

Mondays at 1p.m.

Hold in your hands the book in your heart.

New Activities & Classes

Is there an activity or class you'd like to see offered at the library? Can you teach a class or give a talk about a topic? Let the library know if there is something new you'd like to add to the many programs and classes already offered. 716-736-3913

Join a Board Meeting

If you are interested in virtually joining a Ripley Public Library Board meeting, please contact the director, Rhonda Thompson, 716-736-3913 with your email address and you can be sent a link to the meeting. Or you can email her at director@ripleylibrary.org Leave a message. We will return your call.

https://www.ripleylibrary.org

Don't forget to check out the Ripley Public Library website for up-to-date news and photos, as well as a complete list of books. Thousands of books are available from our library. Books from the Chautauqua— Cattaraugus Library System (CCLS) can be ordered and picked up at the Ripley Library as well.

Ripley Public Library Mission Statement

The mission of the Ripley Public Library is to promote life-long learning for all community residents, providing unrestricted free access to all printed and recorded material from its own collection as well as that of the Chautau-qua-Cattaraugus Library System. The Library will endeavor to create a community center that provides so much more than information for all of those who ask questions and seek answers.

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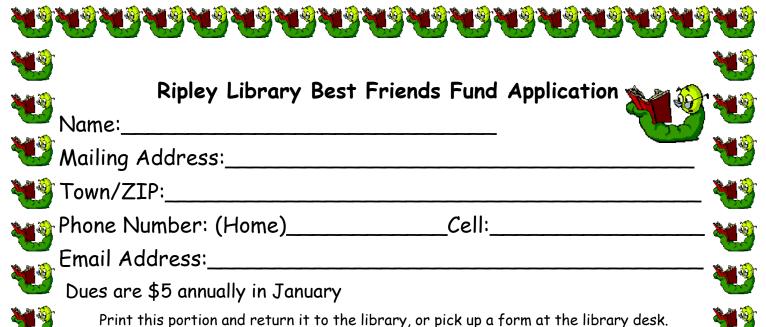
There are many things to be proud of in Ripley, and YOUR beautiful library is one of those things. Please call 716.736.3913 for more info or contact Nancy McIntosh/Robyn Albright.

"Many hands make light work"

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A sample Bookworm and About Town was mailed to all Ripley residents. If you do not already subscribe to these newsletters, we hope you will send your email to thebookworm14775.com to sign up for these monthly informative emails. Spread the word! This is the only printed news source in town!



BEST FRIENDS

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Email Newsletter

We rely on email to get our newsletter out. We would like to increase our list of recipients but we need your help to do so. Please tell your friends, relatives and neighbors about The Bookworm and the fun things we're doing at the library. Each month you will also receive the email, About Town. For a monthly copy, send your email address to:

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If you would like to opt out of our mailing, please let us know at thebookworm14775@gmail.com

*Also now available—The Bookworm and About Town on the library website https://www.ripleylibrary.org

Library Board of Directors Election coming up in June!

If you'd like to be a candidate contact the library in person, or call 716-736-3913.



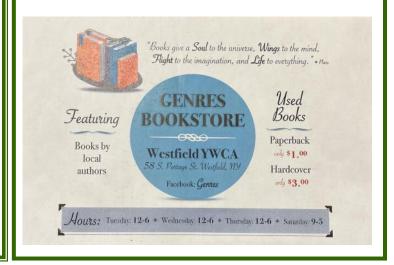
Please note: all letters and/or emails to the Library and staff MUST be signed. Those without a signature will not be recognized. Names will be omitted, to protect privacy, if published.

Notes & Things

Ripley Public Library Board of Directors Meetings for 2022

May 28 June 25 July 23 August 27 September 24 October 22 November 26 December 17 Meetings are open to the public, in person or via Zoom, and will be held at 12:30pm. Dates and times subject to change.

Have you visited the local bookstore in Westfield? Hundreds of books, all genres, and local authors!



May 2022

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Thu

Fri

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Sun

1 Noble Book Club 1pm	2 Beans & Rice Drive; Writer's Group 1pm	3 Beans & Rice; Knitting noon-3:30pm	4 Beans & Rice	5 Beans & Rice; Sewing noon-3pm; Story & Craft 3:35 -5pm	6 Beans & Rice	7 Beans & Rice; Marion Pell Day 9-2pm
8	9 Beans & Rice; Writer's Group 1pm	10 Beans & Rice; Knitting noon-3:30pm	11 Beans& Rice	12 Beans & Rice; Eat Healthy 11am; Sewing noon-3:30pm; Story & Craft 3:35-5pm	13 Beans & Rice	14 Beans & Rice; Spring Bake Sale 9-2pm
15	16 Beans & Rice; Writer's Group 1pm	17 Beans & Rice; Knitting noon-3:30pm	18 Beans & Rice	19 Beans & Rice; Sewing noon-3:30pm; Story & Craft 3:35-5pm	20 Beans & Rice	21 Beans & Rice; BFF Meeting 11am
22	23 Beans & Rice; Writer's Group 1pm	24 Beans & Rice; Knitting noon-3:30pm	25 Beans & Rice	26 Beans & Rice; Stretch your Dollar 11am; Sewing noon 3:30pm; Story & Craft 3:35-5pm;	27 Beans & Rice; Movie Night 6pm	28 Beans & Rice; Creating the Bookworm 11am; Board of Directors Mtg 12:30pm
29	30 CLOSED Memorial Day	31 Beans & Rice; Knitting noon-3:30pm				