

THE WHOLE STORY



THE HUNTELY AREA PUBLIC LIBRARY NEWSLETTER

JANUARY / FEBRUARY 2022



The Library will close from Friday, December 31, 2021 up to January 24, 2022. Stop in and explore the all-new Huntley Area Public Library at 9 a.m. on Monday, January 24, 2022. Learn more on page 5.

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HUNTLEY AREA PUBLIC LIBRARY

EXPLORE ENDLESS OPPORTUNITIES

HUNTLEY AREA PUBLIC LIBRARY

11000 Ruth Road • Huntley, IL 60142

Phone: 847.669.5386

PHONE EXTENSIONS

Dial 847.669.5386

Children's Area: Press 4

Circulation Desk: Press 1

Information Desk: Press 3

Library2Go (Homebound Delivery): Press 3

TEXT A LIBRARIAN

Send your texts to 844.901.2275 or
844.901.2ASK

ONLINE

Main: www.huntleylibrary.org

Local History: lh.huntleylibrary.org

Friends: www.huntleylibraryfriends.org

SOCIAL MEDIA

Facebook: facebook.com/HuntleyLibrary

Twitter: twitter.com/HuntleyLibrary

Instagram: instagram.com/huntleyareapl

YouTube: youtube.com/huntleylibrary

EMAIL

Information: reference@huntleylibrary.org

Circulation: circulation@huntleylibrary.org

Youth Services: youthehuntleylibrary.org

HOURS/CLOSINGS

Monday-Thursday: 9 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Friday-Saturday: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Sunday: 12 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Closed for Construction:

Friday, December 31, 2021 up to Monday,
January 24, 2022

BOARD OF LIBRARY TRUSTEES

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ACCOMMODATIONS

Any person needing accommodations for a disability in accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act in order to access library meetings, services, programs, or activities can contact a member of the library staff five days prior to the event in writing or by telephone at 847.669.5386 & press 3.



Did you know that your library card is good throughout McHenry County and beyond? For Library Lovers' Month in February, McHenry County libraries are collaborating to introduce you to our county libraries! Register at your home library where you'll get started with a map of participating McHenry County libraries and a lanyard. Each library that you visit will give you a unique button to add to your collection. Explorers who complete all visits will be entered to win one of multiple gift baskets valued at \$50 each. **Register in person at the Huntley Area Public Library's Information or Children's Library Desk.**

Participating Libraries:



Huntley Area Public Library

11000 Ruth Road, Huntley, IL 60142

Algonquin Area Public Library

2600 Harnish Drive, Algonquin, IL 60102

Cary Area Public Library

1606 Three Oaks Road, Cary, IL 60013

Crystal Lake Public Library

126 Paddock Street, Crystal Lake, IL 60014

Harvard Diggins Public Library

900 East McKinley Street, Harvard, IL 60035

Johnsburg Public Library

3000 N. Johnsburg Road, Johnsburg, IL 60051

Marengo-Union Library

19714 East Grant Highway, Marengo, IL 60152

Nippersink Public Library

5418 Hill Road, Richmond, IL 60071

River East Public Library

815 W. IL-120, McHenry, IL 60051

Wauconda Area Public Library

801 N. Main Street, Wauconda, IL 60084

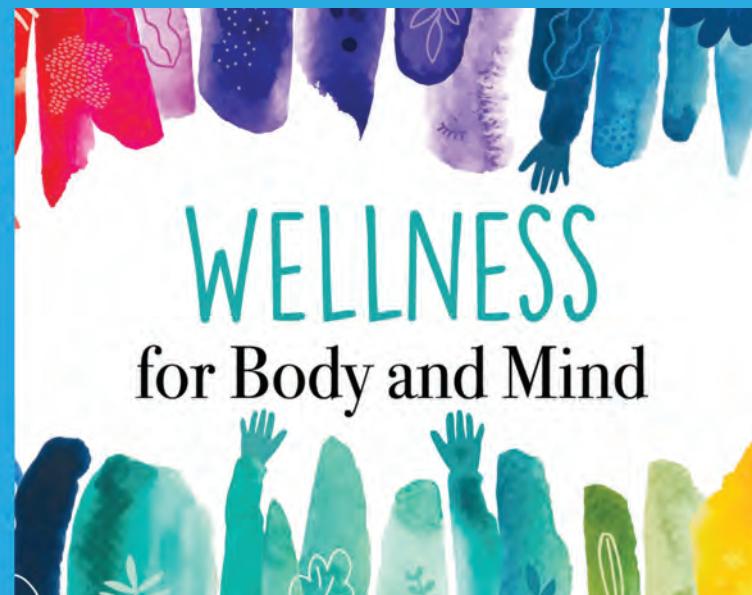
Woodstock Public Library

414 W. Judd Street, Woodstock, IL 60098



Bonus Borrows
Return in February!

Hundreds of titles available
without using your
monthly Instant borrows.



NEW YEAR, NEW YOU. EXPLORE NOW: WWW.HOOPLADIGITAL.COM

adult events

Register for library programs online. Visit www.hunleylibrary.org/events to explore all events. Use this handy color key to identify and sort programs via age groups.

● 10 & Up ● 55+ ● Adults ● All Ages ● Children ● Family ● Teen ● Tween

LOCAL VOICES

Football Pioneer

Saturday, February 19

10 to 11:30 a.m.

For ages 13 and up

Location: Program Room 3

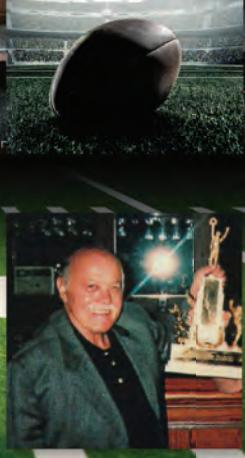
Jack Wirth is a man who lived his dream-- a football fan who became a scout for the Denver Broncos and was an agent for 32 years. Come hear how hard work and determination got him his start, some of the players he recruited, and why he was known as one of the most honest agents in the NFL. Mr. Wirth's book, *Football Pioneer*, will be for sale at the event. Cost is \$15- cash or check accepted.

Registration is required and begins January 4.

FOOTBALL PIONEER

Scout Agent Jack Wirth

JACK E. WIRTH & RICHARD LIND



LOCATION: PROGRAM ROOM 3

YOUR TURN

GAME NIGHT FOR ADULTS

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 1
6 TO 7:30 P.M.

Come take your turn (live and in-person) at game night for adults featuring a variety of trivia, word, and board games.



55+ Healthy Habits for a Healthier Life

Monday, February 21 | 10 a.m.

For ages 55+

Location: Program Room 1

Katie Maloney, a Health Education Specialist with over 20 years of experience in the health field, will share her expertise by providing tips for living your best life, both physically and mentally. Learn general lifestyle adjustments to improve stress, diet, fitness, and sleep habits. Healthy habits can improve your physical, mental, and emotional well-being. Registration is required and begins January 4.



February Drop-In Craft

Tuesday, February 1 | 10 a.m. to Noon

Thursday, February 3 | 5 to 7 p.m.

Friday, February 4 | 1 to 3 p.m.

For all ages

Location: Creative Studio

Create your own unique Valentine's Day gift for someone special. Use your imagination and artistic eye to make this one-of-a-kind heart shaped wreath using fabric squares. While supplies last. All ages. Children under 10 years of age must be accompanied by an adult.

computer classes

Introduction to Excel 2019

Wednesday, February 9 | 2 to 4 p.m.

For adults

Location: Tech Lab

Topics include navigating the ribbon, creating spreadsheets using formulas, and functions, tables, and basic Excel formatting. Prerequisites: Basic computer skills



Intermediate Excel 2019

Wednesday, February 16 | 2 to 4 p.m.

For adults

Location: Tech Lab

Topics include creating charts, formulas, and functions, spreadsheets, working with databases, and creating Excel templates.

Prerequisites: Basic computer and Excel skills required

Advanced Excel 2019

Wednesday, February 23 | 2 to 4 p.m.

For adults

Location: Tech Lab

Topics include setting up/working with pivot tables and charts, V lookups, and advanced formulas.

Prerequisites: Basic computer and Excel skills required



BOOK CLUBS

The Last Friday Book Club

Friday, February 25 | 10 a.m.

Location: Program Room 2

An adult book club that meets on the last Friday of the month. For more information and book club titles, contact: Linda Hays, 847.669.1265.

The Last Monday Book Club

Monday, February 28 | 1:30 p.m.

Location: Program Room 2

An adult book club that meets on the last Monday of the month. For more information and book club titles, contact: Joanne Nitti, 847.515.7582.





2022 HAPL WINTER CHALLENGE
Now through February 28, 2022

ADULTS AGES 18 & UP

Participate for chances to win one of our grand prizes - a gift card to a local business. Choose either:
Online Reading Program: Sign up at huntleylibrary.beanstack.com to earn badges and grand prize tickets by reading and completing library related activities.
Paper Log Program: Download your paper log from the library's website or pick one up at the Information Desk and read for grand prize tickets.

TEENS AGES 12-18

Participate in the Teen Winter Challenge for chances to win our grand prizes - gift cards to area businesses. There are Snow Many Things you can do to complete the challenge (including reading!). Those who finish the challenge will also receive a prize.

Sign up for the challenge online at huntleylibrary.beanstack.com or pick up a paper activity log at the Information Desk.

CHILDREN AGES 0-12

Snow many spaces and services to explore at your library! Register for the Winter Challenge at the Children's Desk or at huntleylibrary.beanstack.com. Either way, track your reading and activities for your chance to win a book, family game, or Chicago Wolves prize!

There's still so much to do! How much have you done? Did you finish the challenge? There is still time to participate. Visit huntleylibrary.beanstack.com and see how much you can do before February 28th!

Library Van Gets a Makeover

New library, new logo, it only makes sense that we give the library van a makeover to match.

The library van is used to deliver materials to patrons who participate in the Library2Go service. It is also used to deliver and pickup items from assisted living facilities including Deer Path, Alden, and Heritage Woods.

Honk if you see it around town!



LOOK FOR IT AROUND TOWN!

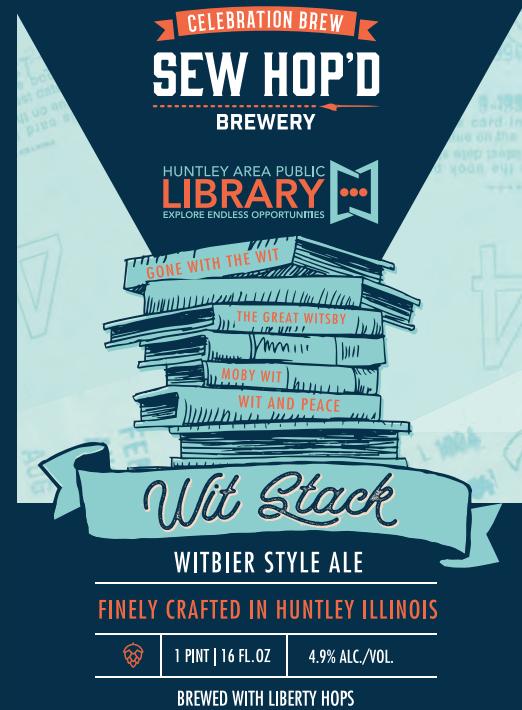
Add a Little Wit to Your Winter Reading

What do you get when a library partners with a local brewery?

Gone with the Wit? Wit and Peace? Moby Wit?

Working with partners in our community is at the top of our list when it comes to exploring new ideas. Just like the endless opportunities the library provides to all, we love exploring new ideas. Thanks to one of our local community partners, Sew Hop'd, the library is breaking ground in a new arena just as the new library is opening its doors. We are proud to announce the latest Sew Hop'd Celebration Brew -- Wit Stack. This limited edition, Huntley crafted Belgian Witbier Style Ale will soon be available for purchase at Sew Hop'd! Next time you sit down to read a classic like the Grapes of Wit or the Lion, the Wit and the Wardrobe, enjoy it with a cold one.

Your FRESH new library is opening January 24, 2022. Thank you for helping to make it a reality. Now it's time to celebrate! We cannot thank Sew Hop'd enough for helping us bring the party to the Huntley Area people to recognize the completion of the building program. Visit Sew Hop'd at 1 Union Special Plaza Suite 113, Huntley, IL 60142 and enjoy some of the finest brews, not just in Huntley, but award winners throughout the country.



LIBRARY: YES!

It has been nearly two years since the 2019 election that had the Huntley Area Public Library's expansion question on the ballot. Many of us that work at the library can remember sitting on the edge of our seats waiting for results. To have nearly 67% of the voters support a bigger and better library was a truly amazing experience.

Now, as the project is ending we wanted to let you, the entire Huntley Area Community, know one more time, just how much your support is appreciated. February is Library Lovers' Month and we're going to celebrate just a few days early. When our doors open on January 24, 2022 and you can explore the entire library for the first time, be sure to stop by the Check-out Desk and ask for a small token of our appreciation. You will receive an Eclipse Plastic Ring for your cellphone. Use it to hold your phone when reading an eBook or using the library app to check out your items. You may also use it to prop up your device when watching your favorite digital content from hoopladigital or other streaming services.

We encourage you to stop in to see your new library. Explore the Study Rooms, the Creative Studio, the Recording Studio, the Collaboration Room, the Conference Room, the Quiet Room, the Local History Room, the Teen Area, the Children's Room, and Drive-Thru window. If you have time, ask for a tour, we're happy to show you around. See you on January 24, 2022.



teen events

Please see our Events Calendar at hunleylibrary.org/events to view all details for current & upcoming programs.
For YouTube programs, visit www.youtube.com/HuntleyLibrary unless a specific link is provided.

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Snow Much to Do Teen Winter Challenge

Now through February 28, 2022

For teens ages 12-18

Participate in the Teen Winter Challenge for chances to win our grand prizes - gift cards to area businesses. There are Snow Many Things you can do to complete the challenge (including reading!). Those who finish the challenge will also receive a prize. Sign up for the challenge online at hunleylibrary.beanstack.com or pick up a paper activity log at the Information Desk.



Puzzle Challenge

Month of January

For teens in grades 6-12

Celebrate National Puzzle Day (January 29) this month! Solve our selected online puzzle and share a screenshot of the completed puzzle and your time for a chance to win a puzzling prize. One winner will be selected from the entries received. Winner will be contacted in February. Visit hunleylibrary.org/puzzle for more information and instructions.

Teen Take Home: Bullet Journals

Month of February (while supplies last)

For teens in grades 6-12

Pick up a kit and get started organizing your days, weeks, months, life! Bullet journals can be art journals, and lists, and notes, as well as calendars. Kits include a journal, pen, as well as some ideas for getting started. Available at the Information Desk starting February 1, while supplies last (1 kit/teen).



Take Home: Alien Bookmarks

Month of February (while supplies last)

For all ages

Pick up a kit to create your own alien bookmark (and celebrate Extraterrestrial Culture Day, Tuesday, February 8, 2022). Available at the Information Desk starting February 1, while supplies last (1 kit/person).

Teen Crafternoon - Kaleidostones (Program room 1)

Saturday, February 19 | 2 to 4 p.m.

For teens in grades 6-12

Create a unique painted stone with an intricate mandala-like design, using acrylics. Registration is required and begins January 4.

Volunteers

ongoing

For teens in grades 6-12

We are offering some virtual and some in-person volunteer opportunities for youth in grades 6-12. Volunteer projects may include surveys, book reviews, crafts, collection projects, cleaning, assistance with library events, and more. If you are interested in volunteering, please fill out a Volunteers application form at hunleylibrary.org/volunteers. Paper copies are also available at the Information Desk.



COLLEGE PREP (FOR TEENS & ADULTS)

College 101 (live zoom session)

Tuesday, February 8 | 6 p.m.

College doesn't always mean living away from home and attending a 4-year university. Learn about different post-secondary options and life after high school. A representative from the Illinois Student Assistance Commission will discuss different types of colleges, how to research them, and the importance of college visits and finding a good match. This program will not be recorded.

College Application Process (live zoom session)

Tuesday, February 22 | 6 p.m.

Applying to college can be daunting, but the Illinois Student Assistance Commission can help make it easier. Attendees will learn the ins and outs of the college application process, including the typical components of applications, timeline, and logistics. You'll also get some tips on writing personal statements and essays, as well as basic financial aid information.

This program will not be recorded.

Read It and Rate It

ongoing/monthly

For teens in grades 6-12

Write and share your book reviews for a chance to win the monthly prize drawing (\$10 Amazon gift card). Fill out a Read It and Rate It form and submit it before the end of the month. Paper forms are available at the library's Information Desk, or online at hunleylibrary.org/riri.



HAPL Teen BookMatch

ongoing

For teens in grades 6-12 (and adults who enjoy teen books!)

Matchmaker, matchmaker, make me a match... If you're looking for book or author recommendations, try out our teen book matching service. Fill out the online form and our YA librarian will create a list of up to 5 book recommendations just for you. Try it at hunleylibrary.org/bookmatch.

kids events

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30 Book Challenge (an ongoing Beanstack Program)

For Ages 6-12

Our 30 Book Challenge for Kids is now ongoing! Sign up anytime online at hunleylibrary.beanstack.com, then read 30 books from various genres. Read at your own pace to complete the Challenge and be entered into a drawing to be held each May. All finishers win a coupon prize plus a chance to win a \$100 Amazon Gift Card! Pick up your matching pins at the Children's Desk for each Genre Badge you earn. Get started today and collect them all!

Little Bookworms Ongoing Reading Challenge

For ages infant through Pre-K

This program encourages all families and caregivers to read 1,000 books (or more) with their young children before they enter Kindergarten! Pick up a paper log in the Children's Library.



Children's Snow Much to Do Reading Challenge

Through February 28, 2022

For ages 0-12

Complete fun winter and reading activities for a chance to win our prize drawing for books, board games, and Wolves tickets & backpacks. If you've used our Beanstack tracking before, you are preregistered for Winter Reading and are ready to begin. If you're new to Beanstack, register now at hunleylibrary.beanstack.com to participate in the Snow Much to Do Challenge for ages 0-12. Download the Beanstack Tracker Mobile App at hunleylibrary.org/apps to track your progress. For those who prefer paper logs, we have those too, just ask at the Children's Desk.

Animal Crackers Book Club: Bluestems Part 2

Begins Monday, January 3

For ages 7 and up

Join us for more books and fun in this 30-minute event. We'll share more titles from the 2022 Bluestem list in this video. Catch Parts 1 & 2 on demand by visiting www.youtube.com/HuntleyLibrary.



Meet a Book Character!

Your child will become friends with a real book character as they read, tell engaging stories, and play games together--on your schedule, from your own home! These fully interactive recorded events are part of a 12-month Book Character Series provided by Huntley Area Public Library with performances by Parties with Character.

- **Meet Tinker Bell!**
Begins Monday, January 3 (watch on-demand through 4/30/22)
- **Meet Barbie!**
Begins Tuesday, February 1 (watch on-demand through 4/30/22)

Provided by the Huntley Area Public Library. Performance by Parties with Character. Recordings of other storybook characters are available at <https://bit.ly/31Lvplk>. A new one will be added each month through April 2022.

Library Scavenger Hunt for Children

January 24 - February 28

For ages 0-12

Search for familiar character friends while exploring your FRESH, NEW library! Pick up a building map and Scavenger Hunt guide at the Children's Desk.

Monthly Grab & Go

3D Snowman

Begins Monday, January 24 while supplies last

Geared for ages 3 and up

Build a 3D Snowman craft!

Valentine Card

Begins Tuesday, February 1 while supplies last

Geared for ages 3 and up

Make a beautiful Valentine card for someone special!



The Much-Anticipated Puzzle & Game Exchange

(Note date changes due to construction schedule)

- Accepting Puzzles & Games: February 1-8 at the Children's Desk
- Exchange: February 9-12 in the Children's Library
- Sale begins: February 13 in Program Rooms 2 & 3

Trade your no-longer-used puzzles and games for "new" ones! None with missing pieces, please. For each puzzle you drop off in the Children's Room beginning February 1, you will receive a coupon good for a puzzle or game at the Exchange beginning February 9. Leftover puzzles may be purchased beginning February 13 at the Friends Library Lovers' Book Sale.



Library Lovers' Expedition

February 1-28

All ages

See page 2 for complete details.

Family Story Time

Tuesdays or Wednesdays 10 to 10:30 a.m.

February 1, 2, 8, 9, 15, 16, 22, 23

For ages 0-6

These in-person sessions are packed full of books, songs, and activities designed to be enjoyed by young children. Children and their grownups are encouraged to actively engage and participate during the program. Choose Tuesday or Wednesday each week. **Weekly Registration required.**

Chess Club

Friday, February 4 | 4 to 5 p.m.

For ages 8-12

Chess players of any skill level meet to play and strategize. Beginners are welcome. Adult family members are also invited to play. **Registration required.**

Pajamarama

Tuesday, February 8, 6:30-7:00 pm

For families of 2-6 year-olds

Wear your pajamas or comfy slippers and join Miss Michelle for stories, fingerplays, and songs before bedtime. **Registration required.**



Family Movie Night featuring Ron's Gone Wrong

Wednesday, February 23, 6 to 7:45 p.m.

For families

In a not-too-distant future where kids each have individualized bot friends, see what happens when one 11-year-old's bot doesn't work as expected.

Registration required.

Library District Box Holder

Socialize with us:



The mission of the Huntley Area Public Library Friends Foundation is to raise funds to support and promote the many resources available at the Huntley Library.

Thank You!

Thank you for supporting the Friends fundraising efforts at the end of 2021. Your generosity and continued support of the Friends is greatly appreciated!

- First Look Fundraiser: \$1,200
- #GivingTuesday: \$3,500
- Fall Basket Fundraiser raises \$4,500!

Thanks to the many Friends who donated money and items for the baskets and thank you to everyone who bought raffle tickets.

A special thanks to these businesses who donated items for the baskets:

- Morkes Chocolates
- Huntley Park District
- Meijer

General Meetings

January General Meeting - Cancelled
Friday, January 21 | 11:00 a.m. - 12 Noon

February General Meeting
Friday, February 18 | 11:00 a.m. - 12 Noon
Library Program Room 1

Romance Genre: A Crash Course in True Love

A discussion with the library's Reference Librarian Susan Riddle-Mojica. Enjoy a taste of chocolate and choose a free romance book!



Renew Your membership for 2022. Everyone Needs a FRIEND!

Complete the membership application form available at the library or visit our website at: www.huntleylibraryfriends.org.

Individuals, \$10; Family Membership, \$15; Book Lovers, \$50; Lifetime Membership, \$100; Corporate Lifetime Membership, \$250

AMAZON SMILE

When you can't find what you want by shopping locally, please consider supporting the Friends Foundation by shopping AmazonSmile. AmazonSmile Foundation will donate .5% of the purchase price to the Friends.



Visit Amazon Smile at the web address below. Select the Huntley Area Public Library Friends Foundation as the charity to support. AmazonSmile Foundation will donate .5% of the purchase price to the Friends. You may shop using AmazonSmile and use your Amazon Prime membership.

<http://smile.amazon.com/ch/27-1276087>

Corner Books

A great selection of gently used books for sale. Paperbacks start at \$1, Hardcover books start at \$2. This fundraiser benefits the Friends year-round and helps us fulfil our mission to support the Huntley Area Public Library.

Learn More about the Friends

www.huntleylibraryfriends.org

Information about book sales, meeting dates, fundraisers, membership forms, donation forms, and more can be found on our website.

THE FRIENDS FOUNDATION PRESENTS *Library Lovers' Book Sale*

Saturday, February 12 | 9 a.m. to 4:45 p.m.

Sunday, February 13 | Noon to 4:45 p.m.

Sunday Only: \$5/bag, we provide the bag

Shop the Friends first book sale in the new library Program Rooms 2 and 3.

Friends Members Only Sale: Friday, February 11 | 2 to 4 p.m.

If you aren't a Friend and would like to become a member, visit the library for a membership form or download a membership form at www.huntleylibraryfriends.org.

