

FEBRUARY, MARCH, APRIL 2020 NEWSLETTER

LOCATION

102 West Third Street

Phone: 815-625-1370

LIBRARY HOURS

Monday-Thursday 9:00 AM-8:00 PM

Friday-9:00 AM-5:00 PM

Saturday-8:00 AM-5:00 PM

LIBRARY BUILDING CLOSINGS

February 17, 2020-President's Day

Regular Programs

Children's Story Times, Monthly Lego Clubs,
Adult Book Club and Teen Book Club

FIND US ONLINE

Facebook: Sterling Public Library-Look for our
logo

Website: www.sterlingpubliclibrary.org

Email:

Director: SPL-Director@comcast.net

Interlibrary Loan: SPL-BookLoans@comcast.net

Genealogy: SPL-Genealogy@comcast.net

Young Adults: SPL-YoungAdult@comcast.net

**Planning a trip that needs a
passport? Apply for your
passports here during normal
business hours.**





Toddler Time

All 18 months-3 years old are welcome

This is an interactive story time where the toddlers are encouraged to participate in stories and play while learning to listen and share.

Each Monday 9:30-10:00 AM

February - 3rd, 10th and 24th (No Story Time on the 17th-library will be closed)

March - 2nd, 9th, 23rd and 30th (No Story Time on March 16th)

April - 13th, 20th and 27th (No Story Time April 6)

Preschool Story Time

Stories, poems, finger plays/songs and craft at each story time.

Each Monday 10:30-11:00 AM

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LEGO CLUB

Building Challenges with regular Lego

For All School Aged Kids

10:00-11:00 AM

February 2020

Saturday, February 1 and February 15

March 2020

Saturday, March 7 and Saturday, March 21

April 2020

Saturday, April 4 and Saturday, April 18

You must register for each class. You may register at the Children's Desk , call the library at 815-625-1370 or register online through the Sterling Public Library webpage.



FAMILY FUN DAY

FRIDAY, MARCH 27, 2020

Come and Go

2:00-4:00 PM

There will be make and take items, LEGO, S.T.E.M. related activities, and much more.

A.R.K.S.

**Adults Reading Kids Stuff
6:30 PM-7:30 PM**

A.R.K.S. is a 5 week program where kids' books and children's authors will be explored. Participants will also be challenged to read 15 books from a selected author list. Those who complete the challenge will receive a bag of children's books.

6:30 PM Program Schedule:

Monday, March 30, 2020-Eric Carle, Picture Writer

Monday, April 6, 2020-Little Women with Rene Morris

Monday, April 13, 2020-Discovering Dave Pilkey

Monday, April 20, 2020-Guest author-JL Callison

Monday, April 27, 2020-Very Special Guests

Please clear your calendar and join us. You must register for this program at the Adult Circulation Desk or by email to the Children's librarian Mary at mary.bradshaw@sterlingpubliclibrary.org

YOUNG ADULTS

YA Meetings

Thursday, Feb 20, 5:30-7:30 PM

Thursday, Mar 19, 5:30-7:30 PM

Thursday, April 16, 5:30-7:30 PM

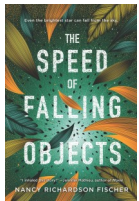
All students in grades 6-12 are welcome. There are a variety of activities for teens that could include book discussions, board games, movies, and there is always good conversation and food!



February is Black History Month. Check out the display of YA books written by black authors.

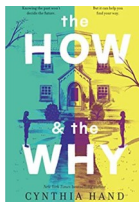
Look for a display of women authors in March for Women's History Month.

NEW BOOKS



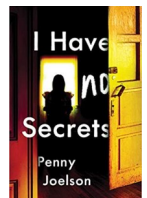
The Speed of Falling Objects by Nancy Richardson Fischer— an exceptional new novel about falling down, risking everything and embracing what makes us unique. Don't miss this compulsively readable novel about the most unlikely of heroes.

The Toll by Neal Shusterman – In the highly anticipated finale to the *New York Times* bestselling trilogy, dictators, prophets, and tensions rise. In a world that's conquered death, will humanity finally be torn asunder by the immortal beings it created?



The How & the Why by Cynthia Hand – tells both sides of an adoption story with love, compassion, and care. A poignant exploration of family and the ties that bind.

I Have No Secrets by Penny Joelson — Jemma knows who the murderer is. She knows because he told her. And when a new technology means she may be able to communicate and reveal all she knows, Jemma no longer feels powerless in the face of this deadly secret. It's a race against time before the killer acts again...or tries to stop her.





ADULT PROGRAMS



WitsFitness

February 27, March 26 and April 23, 2020

Join U of I Extension Educator Karla Belzer each month as she leads participants through interactive activities designed to exercise the brain to maintain and enhance cognitive function and memory. This is a fun and informative free open to the public. . Call 815-632-3611 or register online: go.illinois.edu/witsfitness

Other U of I Extension Classes

Now You Seed It!

Saturday, March 28, 2020

10:00 AM-Noon

Get a jump-start on your spring gardening! Join University of Illinois Extension Master Gardeners and learn how to start seeds and sustain your bedding plants until they are ready for outdoor planting. Call 815-632- 3611 to register.

Mums the Word

Saturday, April 25, 2020

1:00-3:00 PM

If you are looking to add the jeweled colors of mums to your garden, you should be contemplating mums in early spring. Join U of I Master Gardeners and discover how to grow and care for these colorful members of the daisy family. This program is free to attend, please register by calling 815-632-3611.



UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS
EXTENSION

Extending Knowledge Changing Lives



The library hosts an Adult Book Club. Copies of the books are available for cardholders of the Sterling Public Library.

The monthly book discussion takes place on the second Tuesday of the month at 10:00 AM in the library conference room.

Books and Meeting Dates

February 11

Waiting by Ha Jin

March 10

***Unruly Americans and the Origins of the Constitution*
by Woody Holton**

April 14

***Imagine Me Gone*
by Adam Haslett**

STERLING PUBLIC LIBRARY USED BOOK SALE

Saturday, April 11, 2020

8:00 AM-12:00 PM

Adult Books

\$1.00 Each

Books on CD

\$1.00 Each

DVD's/Videos

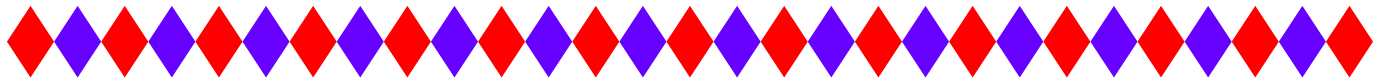
\$1.00 Each

Children's Books

50 Cents Each



SALE IN CONFERENCE ROOM



We are selling our old Windows 7 computers. They



are Dell All-In-Ones and range in price from \$100-\$200. Call or stop by the library for more info

Ask for Beth

The Sterling Public Library and Sterling High School have developed a reading mentoring program at the Sterling Public Library on the second Wednesday evenings of the month at 6:00 PM. This program is called ***Sterling Reads***. The reading mentors are high school students from the school's sports teams and clubs. They have been given instructions on how to interact and how to read with or to a child. Each mentor will read with or to a designated child for 30 minutes.

Reading Schedule

Wednesday, February 12 6:00 PM

Wednesday, March 11 6:00 PM

Wednesday, April 8 6:00 PM

Wednesday, May 13 6:00 PM

All preschool and grade school children are welcome.



Our Carnegie Library Is 116 Years Young!
It needs a “little” maintenance to return to its best.
You can help!

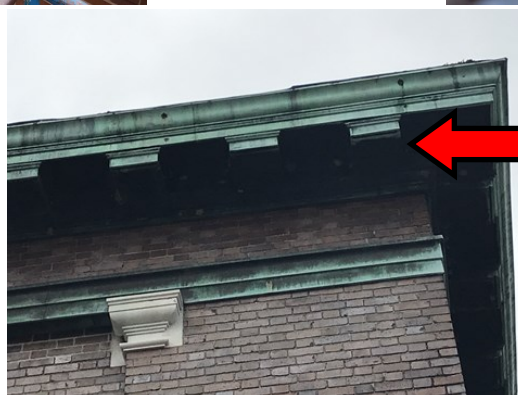
This past summer, the library board authorized repairs to the two flat portions of the library roof, gutters, and some tuck-pointing of bricks. As the contractor began the process of replacing a portion of copper flashing, it was discovered that the decorative copper cornice anchors and seams have disintegrated - along with the wood supports intended to secure the cornice to the wall. The original project was halted to address this newly discovered issue, and to ensure the project is completed correctly. The library board has now received an estimate of \$200,000 to complete the additional work.

Please be a part of this project! Our library is the heart of Sterling! Its grand architecture is adorned by the beautiful weathered copper dentil moldings which have graced this important building since its beginning. When these repairs are complete, the board is hopeful that the library's once-persistent water problems have finally been solved and this repair will hold for another one hundred years.

The board would like to raise \$50,000 through private donations. Donation jars will be at the circulation desks upstairs and downstairs. **Any amount is appreciated!** Bills, coins.... Checks can be made to Sterling Public Library. Questions may be directed to Jennifer Slaney, SPL Director or any board member. Thank you in advance for your important contribution!



Flat Portion
Supports



Copper Dentil Molding

Have you used the Sterling Public Library Online Library? All you need is a valid Sterling Public Library card! Go to the library's webpage for a tutorial on how to use the sites that follow:

Hoopla 

Hoopla always has available ebooks and audiobooks for your tablet, phone or PC and each patron may check out 4 titles per month.

Libby/Overdrive



Libby/Overdrive also has ebooks and audiobooks for your tablet, phone, PC or Kindle.

E-read Illinois (Axis 360)



E-read Illinois (Axis 360) can also provide you with ebooks and audiobooks for your tablet, phone or PC.

BiblioBoard



First view the tutorial to show you how to read books and view media from local and nationwide independent authors and artists.

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