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Want to improve your physical and intellectual fitness simultaneously? Join us for the Adult Summer Reading Program! The first fifty (50) to sign up for the program are eligible to receive a free pedometer at their request. In addition, each book you read between June 1-July 30 earns a ballot at the main circulation desk toward prizes. There will be a weekly drawing for a prize, plus a grand prize drawing at the end. Luck of the draw winners! The more you read, the greater your chances of winning. Don't delay; start today!

Friends of the Library Book Club meets last Wednesday of every month. It is open to all teens and adults who are interested. The book for June 29 is *The Round House* by Louise Erdrich. It has won several awards, including the National Book Award. The library has several copies available if you are interested. Ask the staff at the main desk for more information.

Library Board Meetings

Board meetings take place in the Becky Musser Meeting Room at the library unless stated otherwise.

Library Board Meetings are open to the public.

Next meeting: June 15, 2016 @ 5 PM

Special points of interest:

INDIANA

BICENTENNIAL

Celebrating 200 years of statehood at your local library!

Please take a moment to view the display cases by the front door, where you will find an ongoing monthly display of Indiana-related material. The library, along with the Friends of the Library and the Historical Society, recently sponsored an event featuring Frances Slocum. Stay tuned for more events to commemorate this special year!



Children's Department

On Your Mark, Get Set, READ

Hey kids! Join us at the Hartford City Public Library for a fun summer of reading, games, and entertainment! Here's how our summer reading program works:

1. Sign up in the children's area starting May 30. Age groups are Birth-4, 5-9, and 10-14 .
2. Start logging your reading beginning June 6. You will be given a log sheet when you sign up.
3. At the end of each week of reading, bring in your log showing your completed weekly reading requirement.
4. Choose a prize and a ticket to put in our weekly or grand prize drawings OR choose to place two tickets in the weekly or grand prize drawings—it's up to you!
5. In addition you will be given a BINGO card. Complete the activities needed to make a BINGO and bring your card into the library for an extra ticket to place in our weekly or grand prize drawings. Play as many times as you like and keep putting entries into the drawing!

There will be three grand prizes given at the end of the six week summer reading program, one for each age group, and also prizes given weekly for those participating in the weekly drawing.

Don't miss out on a great time! When you sign up, you will receive a calendar showing all of the different activities we have going on at your library this summer. We start off June 6 at 2:00 pm with *Leonardo!* He is a Parent's Choice Award-winning musician. The whole family will enjoy his performance!

The Silver Lining Book Club

Special points of interest:

- Story & Craft Time every Wednesday 10:30-11:30 and 3:30-4:30
- Our Book Club (gr.6-12) every Thursday 5-6

Just For Fun

Pencils could be made with erasers on both ends, but that would be pointless.

What do librarians take with them when they go fishing?
(Bookworms!)

The HCPL Children's Library participates in the Silver Lining program offered by Community & Family Services and the Presbyterian Church. By participating, families can earn coupons toward items at the Silver Lining Opportunity Store! Here's how it works: A parent needs to be a Blackford County resident and have a library card to participate. Each family reads five books in a week and records them on a sheet offered in the children's department to earn one (1) coupon a week. A second coupon can be earned each week by attending a Story and Craft Time (on Wednesdays). You may choose to earn one coupon a week for either reading or attending Story & Craft Time, or you may do both to earn two (2) coupons each week. The choice is yours! The Silver Lining Opportunity Store is open on the 2nd Saturday of each month at the Presbyterian Church. They offer many items for children including diapers, formula, clothing, bedding, toiletries, etc. Even just one (1) coupon can buy an item!

1,000 Books Before Kindergarten

1,000 Books Before Kindergarten is a FREE library program that encourages all parents and families to read 1,000 books with their young children before they enter kindergarten. Studies have shown that families who start reading aloud to their children at birth help to strengthen their language skills and build their vocabulary – two important tools for beginning to learn to read when they enter kindergarten.

1,000 Books? Does it sound difficult? It shouldn't if you give it some thought! If you read one book at bedtime every night for three years, you will have read 1,095 books! If you read three books a day, you will have read 1,095 books in one year. If you begin when your child is born and read four books per week, you will have read 1,040 books by the time your child reaches kindergarten.

How Does 1,000 Books Before Kinder-garten Work?

Requirements – You must be a resident of Blackford County and have an established Evergreen Indiana Library card.

Register – Complete an enrollment form and return it to the Hartford City Public Library. You may then take home your starter kit.

Track Your Reading – Each time you read a book with your child, write it down on the log sheets inside your reading binder (included in the starter kit).

Show us your Reading Logs – When you reach 100 books, bring in your reading log sheets, and receive a prize! Each 100 books increment will be rewarded with a prize. Read More Books! When you get all the way to 1,000, your child will receive a canvas book-bag along with a new book of his or her choice. We will also place a picture of your child on our "Wall of Fame" to show which children have completed the program.