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## **LIBRARY NEWS**

## **Staff Updates**

SDG Library is pleased to welcome Cassie MacDonell as our Communications and Marketing Coordinator. Cassie brings a wealth of experience to the role. If you see her out and about at the Branches, please say hi!

The Long Sault Branch welcomed Ruchita as a new Library Services Assistant this Summer. Ruchita has a background in computer science and engineering and is a welcome addition to the SDG Library Team.

The SDG Counties recognized several members of library staff at their Staff Recognition Ceremony. The following staff members were recognized for their long service: Rachel V., Administrative Assistant- 10 years; Jeanette, Iroquois Library Services Assistant- 20 years; and Eleanor, Iroquois Library Services Assistant- 25 years. Karen Franklin, former Director of Library Services, and Joann, Long Sault/Ingleside Library Services. Thank you all for your dedicated years of service with SDG Library!

We said farewell to our TD Summer Reading Club Coordinators, Madisson and Amélie, as they return to school. Madisson will be working toward her Bachelor's in Psychology and Amélie will be finishing her final year of her Bachelor's in Education. We are wishing both of them all the best for the coming year and can't wait to see what great things they will go on to next!

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## **MEET THE STAFF**

## **Meet Pat Casual Support Assistant**

#### Meet Pat- literary traveler, dinosaur lover & Library advocate!

Q: Tell us about what you do for the SDG Library.

A: I am a Casual Support Assistant which means I perform regular circulation tasks on an as needed basis. When LSAs are away or running a program, I lend a hand by covering the desk.

Q: How long have you been with the Library? A: I have been with the SDG Library for 5 years now.

#### Q: What do you love most about working in libraries?

A: I love interacting with the patrons. When a new member joins the Library I like to let them know all there is to offer, from books to online streaming to inperson programs and so much more.

#### Q: If you could tell people one thing about the SDG Library, what would it be?

A: Check it out. There is something for everyone!

#### Q: What are you reading right now?

A: I recently finished The Lost Man by Jane Harper. The story is set in Australia . I liked the author 's beautiful description of the land and the slow build of a thrilling mystery.

Now I am reading The Lost Ones by Sheena Kamal. It is set in Vancouver.



Place a hold on The Lost Man Place a hold on The Lost Ones here.



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#### Q: What is your favourite dinosaur?

A: I am not a dinosaur expert, but I would have to say that I like the Dino the **Dinosaur 3D Print!** 



#### Q: If you could have one superpower for the day, what would it be?

A: I would love to be able to fly and have a bird's eye view of the world.

## **FALL PROGRAMS**

#### **Cover-to-Cover Book Club**

Be a part of our virtual book club! A new title each month. Great reads, great discussions and great fun!

Join our Facebook Group Adults | Facebook/Zoom

#### **Stay & Play**

## Mondays, September 11, 18 & 25, October 2, 16, 23 & 30

#### 10:00am

Children and their caregivers can play, explore and make new friends in our children's area! We have a variety of toys, sensory boxes, and books for younger kids, along with a story read by Ms. Rose.

Ages 1-4 | Winchester Branch

#### Homeschoolers' Hotspot

#### Thursday, September 14 6:00pm

Join us to learn all the ways SDG Library can support your homeschooling family. From instruments, to "Homework Helper Kits," to Mango Languages, to arranging book deposits for you to borrow, the Library has a wealth of resources for you and your family. This is also a other chance for you to meet local homeschooling families and build new connections!

Adults | Lancaster Branch

#### **Big Truck Day!**

#### Friday, September 15 12:30pm

Celebrate our community helpers and the big trucks that keep our community working and safe! Visit us at the Ingleside branch parking lot,

for a fun afternoon! All Ages | Ingleside Branch **Busy Squirrel Story Time** 

#### Wednesday, September 20 10:30am

Pre-school aged children and their caregivers are invited for a fall-themed storytime. Join us in the children's section for read-a-loud fun, plus a craft and games,

Ages 1-4 | South Mountain Branch

#### **Teen Anime Night**

#### Thursday, September 21

#### 5:30pm

Join us at the Crysler branch for Anime/Manga night! Enjoy Japanese snacks, test your knowledge with anime trivia, unleash your inner artist with character drawing/colouring and catch an anime on the big screen.

Teens | Crysler Branch

#### Arts & Math Club

## Fridays, September 22 & 29, October 6, 13, 20 & 27, November 3 & 10

Explore what you can make when you combine art and math! A club for homeschoolers and other young learners where everyone is invited to discover concepts like geometry while creating fun crafts. Registration is required. Please contact the MakerLab: <u>finchlib@sdglibrary.ca</u>.

Ages 4+ | MakerLab/Finch Branch

#### Artist Meet & Greet

#### Saturday, September 23 10:30am

Meet local artist Francine Deguire, a contemporary Fine Art Photographer. She will present her collection "View of the World", the Wonders of Nature under Eugenie's Ark. All Ages | Long Sault Branch

#### Message in a Bottle Information Session

#### Saturday, September 23 11:00am

Join a local member of the Lion's Club and Liz Taylor to learn about "Message in a Bottle" and how it can help you. The "Message in a Bottle" is a medical record that you store in your refrigerator for EMT's and other emergency personnel. Vials will be available at the Iroquois Branch during open hours for those who would like to receive one.

Adults | Iroquois Branch

#### **Storytime Adventures**

Tuesdays, September 26, October 3, 10, 17, 24 & 31

#### 10:30am

Join Colleen for a morning of fun, stories, activities, and a craft. This program is for preschool aged children and their caregivers. Ages 1-4 | Ingleside Branch

#### Winchester Teen Advisory Group Information

#### Session

#### Tuesday, September 26 4:00pm

Looking for volunteer hours to fill your high school requirements? Join others your age as we chat, plan, and look for ways to improve your enjoyment of the Library while gaining experience and fulfilling volunteer obligations. After this session, TAG will occur monthly. Ages 14-18 | Winchester Branch

#### **Fall Storytimes**

## Thursdays, September 28, October 5, 12, 19 & 26

#### 10:30am

Join Christine for an interactive storytime full of stories, songs, fingerplays and so much more. This is a program for preschool aged children and their caregivers.

Ages 1-4 | Long Sault Branch

#### **Create it with Cricut: Tote Bag Edition!**

#### Thursday, September 28 5:00pm

The MakerLab is going mobile and bringing the Cricut to Chesterville! Join Maker Expert, Josée and learn how to use this cool maker technology as you design and make tote bags! Supplies will be provided, and registration is required.

Adults | Chesterville Branch

#### **Ancestry Club**

#### Fridays, September 29, October 27, November 24 & December 8 1:00pm

Whether you're new to genealogy or a seasoned pro, join us to learn tips, exchange information, share successes, and leave with new ideas and recommendations to break down those brick walls. Beginners to experts are welcome. Registration is required.

Adults | Ingleside Branch

#### Start a Series: Read-a-Long

#### Fridays, starting September 29 4:00pm

Children wishing to be read to and interested in starting a new series can join us to be immersed into other worlds that go on beyond book one. Ages 5-12 | Winchester Branch

#### Halloween Costume Swap & Craft

#### Wednesday, October 4 4:00pm

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Looking to trade in that old costume? Drop off your pre-worn costumes and trade it in for something spooktacular and new to you this Halloween season. While you're visiting the branch, children are invited to craft and everyone is welcome to check out Library materials for some thrilling new reads!

All Ages | Lancaster Branch

#### **Cosplay Creators**

## Thursdays, October 5 & 19, November 2 5:00pm

Love cosplay or curious about cosplay? Join us for a biweekly meet-up where we'll learn about the world of cosplay and costume making. The series will kick off with a mask making workshop on October 5. Registration is required.

Ages 10+ | South Mountain Branch

#### **Conversations with a Radio Host**

#### Saturday, October 7 11:00am

The SDG Library is excited to chat with local morning Radio Host, Vic. You may recognize her voice from the hit station 104.5 Fresh Radio in Cornwall. Are you interested in becoming a radio host one day? Bring your questions and enthusiasm! Registration is required.

All Ages | Zoom

#### Expressions: Recycled Mixed Media Paper

#### **Sculptures**

#### Wednesday, October 11

#### 3:30pm

Join local creative, Patti Carson, and express yourself with art, play and get your voice out into the world. You will create recycled paper sculptures using mixed media. Wish someone well, share inspiration or encouragement, or support a cause using images, colours and words! Supplies will be provided and registration is required.

Ages 8+| Ingleside Branch

#### **Create it with Cricut: Pumpkin Stencils**

#### Thursday, October 12 5:00pm

The MakerLab is going mobile and bringing the Cricut to Williamstown! Join Maker Expert, Josée and learn how to use this cool maker technology as you design and make pumpkin stencils! Supplies will be provided, and registration is required.

Adults | Williamstown Branch

#### Mini-Musicians Workshop Saturday, October 14

#### 10:30am

Children ages 3-5 and their caregivers are invited to join Erin Hopkins (Mill Street Music Academy, Chesterville) in an engaging music workshop for some of our youngest musicians. At the Mini-Musicians Workshop, preschoolers (along with their adult) will have the opportunity to experience a free group music lesson. Dress comfortably as we will be moving, dancing, playing instruments and exploring the magical world of music. Registration required. *Ages 3-5* | *Chesterville Branch* 

#### Fall Leaf Chalk Pastel Art for Kids/Art pour enfants - Feuille d'automne à la craie pastel Saturday, October 14/le samdei 14 octobre 11:00am

Celebrate the arrival of Fall by making Fall leaf chalk art using all of the gorgeous autumn colours. Célébrez l'arrivée de l'automne en faisant de l'art à la craie des feuilles d'automne en utilisant toutes les magnifiques couleurs d'automne.

Ages 5-12 | Alexandria Branch



## **FALL PROGRAMS**

#### "Nailed It!": Autumn Snacks Edition

#### Thursday, October 19 5:30pm

In our cooperative version of the popular Netflix show <u>Nailed It!</u>, you'll prepare and decorate your own tasty Fall-themed treat. This activity will require creativity, patience, precision and a sweet tooth... are you up to the challenge? Registration required, please contact the Williamstown Branch.

Teens | Williamstown Branch

#### **Make Friendship Bracelets**

#### Saturday, October 21

#### 10:00am

Whether you're in your Swiftie Era or you're just feeling creative, join us at the Maxville Branch to make friendship bracelets! Supplies will be provided.

Ages 5-12 | Maxville Branch

#### **Marshmallow Zoo: STEAM Activity**

#### Saturday, October 21 12:00pm

Explore the concept of edible sculpture in this hands-on STEAM activity for children. Using your imagination, marshmallows, and pretzels you will create yummy, squishy zoo animals to take home. Registration required, please contact the Williamstown Branch.

Ages 5-12 | Williamstown Branch

#### Halloween Spook-a-Thon

#### Thursday, October 26

Join us in costume for a spooktacular evening of Halloween fun at the Crysler Branch. Unleash your creativity with Jack-o-Lantern colouring activities- no messy pumpkin guts, we promise! Get crafty and make your own spooky Toilet Paper Roll Monster. Let your imagination run wild!

Ages 5-12 | Crysler Branch

#### Life Size Candy Land

#### Friday, October 27 12:00pm

Calling all Candy Land Enthusiasts! Come out to the Morrisburg Branch to play a round of Life-Sized Candy Land- available all day. Dress up in a favourite costume, become a human game piece and enjoy some tricks and treats!

All Ages | Morrisburg Branch

#### Little Adventurer's Playtime

#### Saturday, October 28 10:30am

Come to Little Adventurers' Spooky Fun edition at the Avonmore Branch. Join us for spooktacular-themed crafts and activities for toddlers. To help them improve their fine motor skills, learn, and get everyone excited for Halloween!

Ages 1-4 | Avonmore Branch

#### **Knitting Bee**

#### Wednesday, November 1 4:00pm

Lancaster is hosting its first ever knitting bee! Come on down with your project, or join us to learn to knit. We'll have some supplies on hand for first timers to borrow. All experience levels are welcome!

Adults | Lancaster Branch

#### Virtual Watercolour Paint Day: Water Lilies

#### Saturday, November 4

#### 1:30pm

Learn to paint water lilies using negative space painting techniques. No experience necessary! Supplies will be provided, but registration is required. Contact <u>programs@sdglibrary.ca</u> to sign up. Please register by Friday, October 20. *Adults* | *Zoom* 

#### **Author Signing- Emily Murray**

#### Thursday, November 9 6:30pm

Celebrate local talent and cross that lucky someone off your holiday shopping list with Emily Murray's book <u>Alixandria Fire: Danny and</u> <u>Dani.</u> This small time, holiday-themed romance is sure to leave you feeling warm and fuzzy! *Adults* | *Alexandria Branch* 

#### Star Gazing with the Naked Eye

#### Wednesday, November 15

#### 6:00pm

Learn how to enjoy the night sky with just your naked eye (no fiddling with telescopes). Identify the brightest stars and their constellations. Make a planisphere that you can take home to assist you in identifying night sky objects. Learn what apps can assist you. Then, if the weather cooperates, step outside and practice what you have learned. Registration is required, please contact the Morrisburg Branch: <u>morrisburglib@sdglibrary.ca</u>. Ages 12+ | Morrisburg Branch

#### **Barbie's Escape Room**

#### Thursday, November 16

#### 5:30pm

Enter the world of Barbie... and prepare to escape. The Alexandria Branch is hosting its first ever escape room. Life in plastic might be fantastic... until you're stuck in Barbie world forever. This program is intended for families with children 6+. Registration is required, please contact the Alexandria Branch to register.

All Ages | Alexandria Branch

#### **Tastes from Around the World Party**

#### Saturday, November 18 11:00am

Join us for a taste of different treats from around the world. Recipes will be provided for those who would like to try to make these treats at home. This program is open to all ages. Please call the branch to register so our presenters will know how many treats to bring. *Adults* | *Iroquois Branch* 

#### **Create it with Cricut: Christmas Card Edition**

## Thursday, November 23 6:00pm

The MakerLab is going mobile and bringing the Cricut to Ingleside! Join Maker Expert, Josée and learn how to use this cool maker technology as you design and make your Christmas Cards! Supplies will be provided, and registration is required.

Adults | Ingleside Branch

#### **Natural Wreath Workshop**

#### Saturday, November 25 10:00am

Get your home ready for the holidays by creating your own natural wreath. Registration is required, please contact the South Mountain Branch: southmountainlib@sdglibrary.ca. This program is presented in partnership with the *Friends of the South Mountain Branch Resource Centre*.

Adults | South Mountain Branch

#### **Recycled Reads: Book Christmas Tree Display**

## Thursday, November 30

#### 5:30pm

Using a hardcover book, create a Christmas tree display that will wow your family and guests over the Holiday season. Supplies will be provided and registration is required. This program is suitable for ages 12+.

Adults | Chesterville Branch

#### **Bird Snacks!**

#### Saturday, December 2 11:00am

Winter is coming so let's help our feathered friends before the cold snap. Learn how to make nutritious snacks for birds. All supplies will be provided and participants will be entered into a draw for a bird feeder.

Ages 5-12 | Alexandria Branch

## **FALL PROGRAMS**

#### Holly Jolly STEAM Storytime

## Saturday, December 2

#### 12:00pm

Join us for a Holly Jolly Steam Storytime Saturday at the Morrisburg Branch! Get ready for fun STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Math) stations and light refreshments to ring in the holiday season! Drop-In Program.

Ages 5-12 | Morrisburg Branch

#### Fa La La La La, La Trivia

#### Thursday, December 7

#### 5:30pm

Come test your holiday knowledge and go head-to-head against other trivia enthusiasts. "Yule" have a merry ol' time! Registration is required, please contact the Winchester Branch: <u>winchesterlib@sdglibrary.ca</u>. *All Ages* | *Winchester Branch* 

#### DIY Recycled Book Christmas Tree Ornament Thursday, December 7

#### 6:00pm

Join us for this eco-friendly craft. Create your own folded paper Christmas tree using recycled books! Supplies will be provided. Registration is required, please contact the Maxville Branch. *Adults* | *Maxville Branch* 



#### Annual Cookie Exchange

#### Friday, December 8

#### 1:00pm

Join us for our annual Christmas Cookie Exchange! Bring approximately 3 dozen treats and exchange them for a variety of different treats to bring home with you. A great way to try something you haven't had before. *All Ages* | *Iroquois Branch* 

#### Gingerbread Storytime

#### Wednesday, December 13

#### 10:30am

Yum! Preschool-aged children and their caregivers are invited for a gingerbread-themed storytime and craft. Every child will have the chance to decorate their own gingerbread cookie!

Ages 1-4 | South Mountain Branch

#### **Holiday Storytime**

#### Thursday, December 14 10:30am

Join Colleen for a fun filled Holiday Storytime! Enjoy your morning of holiday stories, activities, and crafts. This is a program for preschool agedchildren and their caregivers. Ages 1-4 | Ingleside Branch

## MAINTENANT DISPONIBLE!

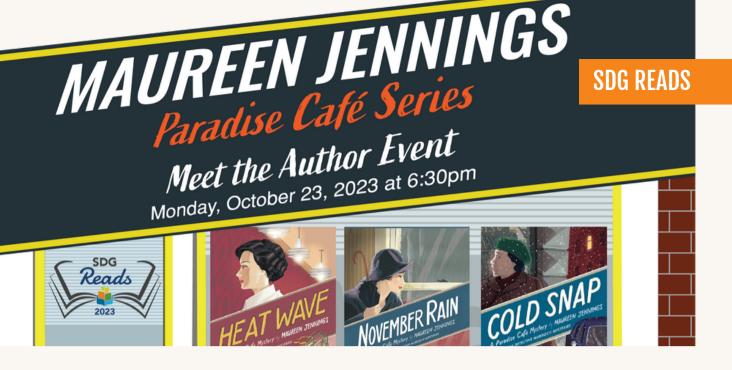
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Maureen Jennings had a long career as a psychotherapist, but now writes full time. She has published one novella and thirteen novels of crime fiction, one nonfiction book and four professionally produced plays.

Ms. Jennings has won multiple awards for her writing including: a Certificate of Commendation from Heritage Toronto, the Grant Allen Award and eight nominations from Crime Writers of Canada.

Her first series, set in Victorian Toronto, may be familiar to you. <u>The Detective</u> <u>Murdoch</u> series, consisting of eight books and a novella, spawned the popular <u>The</u> <u>Murdoch Mysteries</u> TV series- currently headed into its 17th Season. Maureen also has a beloved dog named Murdoch after the detective.



Maureen has also authored the <u>Tom Tyler</u> <u>Mysteries</u> and <u>The Paradise Café</u> <u>Mysteries</u>, which will be the focus of our 2023 SDG Reads Event. We hope you will join us, and Maureen Jennings, for a soirée that is sure to be unforgetabble.



Tickets & VIP Packages available September 23!

## WEBSITE NEWS

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#### Website Feedback We want to hear about your experience. If you see a spelling error, broken link, or just want to let us know your thoughts, please fill out the form.

Feedback



The SDG Library is excited to have launched the public preview of our new, improved website, aimed at making the online experience for Library users as seamless and enjoyable as possible. Explore the website for yourself here: <u>https://sdglibrary.bibliocms.com/</u>

As of September, we are in "public preview" mode. This means that the website is still a work in progress, and our old website, www.sdglibrary.ca, is still active. We'd love to receive suggestions and comments about our new website from patrons on our feedback form before we officially launch this new website in October.

Not only does the website have an upgraded physical appearance, but the site is also rich with features to help you find exactly what you're looking for.

A shining feature of the website is our new events system, which makes searching and registering for library programs easier than ever. Programs and events can be sorted by date, branch location, age demographic, and event type.

Another fun feature is our <u>blog post section</u>. The SDG Library staff have already written posts about topics that interest them, such as one post giving advice about raising chickens, and another that provides recommendations on where to go when borrowing a free Ontario Park Pass from SDG Library. Keep an eye on this page as we continue to produce lots of engaging content.

Lastly, check out our **Digital Library** to easily navigate resources such as cloudLibrary, Mango Languages, and Kanopy. Access old resources or discover a new one!

## **CANADIAN LIBRARY MONTH**



The month of October marks Canadian Library Month. During this month, libraries and library partners across Canada work together to raise awareness of the valuable role libraries play in the lives of Canadians.

Libraries are more than just a place to find books, they promote cultural awareness, engage in the community, provide educational programs, support freedom of expression and so much more!

At SDG Library, we're pleased to say that we have been at the forefront of innovation- winning the 2017 Minister's Award for Innovation at the Ontario Library Associations Public Service Awards. And we haven't stopped there!

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The MakerLab formally debuted in 2019 as a pilot project, introducing SDG to cutting edge technology such as the Cricut and Dremel Laser Cutter. The MakerLab was granted permanent status by the Library Board in 2023 as everyone showed excitement in embracing a maker mindset. The MakerLab also houses our Library of Things collection, including but not limited to: keyboards, guitars, a glockenspiel, mobile internet hotspots and more!

Programs are also back in full swing at the Library, as you can see from this edition of the Navigator. Some of our highlights include: SDG Reads, Create it with Cricut Sessions, and South Mountain's Natural Wreath Workshop. We have something for everyone!

We can't wait to Connect. Create. Explore with you this year, and for future years to come! Share what libraries mean to you by using #LibrariesforLife and tagging us on social media, or email <u>programs@sdglibrary.ca</u> to share with us directly!

Hello everyone!

We wanted to thank everyone who participated in the 2023 TD Summer Reading Club! From discovering the Jungle, to the Arctic, to the 7 Wonders of the World, we discovered so many different things!

We had an awesome start to our Summer with our Launch Party taking place in Morrisburg, with 40 people attending. This was our first summer returning fully in person, and it was a hit. Over the course of the program, we had over 1200 participants in the TD Summer Reading Club and over 3,000 books were read!

We had many fun stories, crafts and games throughout the whole summer. With the summer ending, we hope you continue reading and visiting the library in preparation for next year's Club!

We would like to thank Happy Popcorn Co. For donating to our Launch Party and to our prize pool. We would also like to thank Kid's Korner for donating to our prize pool. Lastly, we would like to thank Sheehan's Pub & Pizzeria and Dairy Queen in Lancaster for tasty treats, Waikato Pizza Plus in Maxville, La Belle Pizzeria and Restaurant in Ingleside, and the Friends of the Library in Crysler, Ingleside and Williamsburg for contributing to our awesome wrapup parties!

We hope to see you next year! Amélie and Madisson

## HAVE YOUR SAY

Our Monday Musings have been super popular on social media! We loved hearing your feedback to our questions and thought we'd share some of our favourite answers. Stay tuned for more Monday Musings. Have content you'd like to see? Let us know at <u>programs@sdglibrary.ca</u>.



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