NEWELL PUBLIC LIBRARY

THE LIBRARY LEDGER

October 2022

🛑 A Spooktacular Halloween Party 🛑

Every year, we celebrate Halloween to our fullest, and this year was no exception! Our night consisted of many fun games, pumpkin painting, a Trick or Treat photo scavenger hunt, costume contest, movie marathon and more!









The judges for our costume contest were Elaine Palmer from the Newell Library Friends, Melinda Bucholtz from two of our library's book clubs, and Tanya Landgraf, president of the Newell Library Board.

Costume Winners





Karsyn Meyer

"Buzz Lightyear" Gryffin North



"Blue Power Ranger" Carson Witt



"Ghost Face" Will Landgraf



"Winifred Sanderson" Julie North

Featured Articles

Friends of the Library

The Library Friends celebrated National Friends of the Library Week on October 17-22nd with a weekend long book sale! They had lots of books, movies, puzzles and much more available for purchase.

They also took the week to advocate for the friends group and let the community know that they are always welcome to join!



Upcoming Events

Board Meeting - The Library Board has its Board Meeting on the 3rd Monday of every month starting at 4:00pm.

Toddler Time - November 12, 2022 at 10am

Veteran's Perspective with Sara Maniscalco Robinson from Humanities Iowa and the National Endowment for the Humanities- November 14th at 6PM

The library will be closed on November 24-26th for the Thanksgiving holiday!

Bookclub Reads

The Newell Public Library has three active book clubs. These are what they are reading this month!



Book Club #1 Books for October



Diana O'Toole is perfectly on track. She will be married by thirty, done having kids by thirty-five, and move out to the New York City suburbs, all while climbing the professional ladder in the cutthroat art auction world. She's not engaged just yet, but she knows her boyfriend, Finn, a surgical resident, is about to propose on their romantic getaway to the Galápagos—days before her thirtieth birthday. Right on time. But then a virus that felt worlds away has appeared in the city, and on the eve of their departure, Finn breaks the news: It's all hands on deck at the hospital. He has to stay behind.

Book Club #2 Book for October



In 1936, tucked deep into the woods of Troublesome Creek, KY, lives blue-skinned 19-year-old Cussy Carter, the last living female of the rare Blue People ancestry. The lonely young Appalachian woman joins the historical Pack Horse Library Project of Kentucky and becomes a librarian, riding across slippery creek beds and up treacherous mountains on her faithful mule to deliver books and other reading material to the impoverished hill people of Eastern Kentucky.

Book Club #3 Book for October



In 1944, blonde and blue-eyed Jewess Hadassah Benjamin feels abandoned by God when she is saved from a firing squad only to be handed over to a new enemy. Pressed into service by SS-Kommandant Colonel Aric von Schmidt at the transit camp of Theresienstadt in Czechoslovakia, she is able to hide behind the false identity of Stella Muller. However, in order to survive and maintain her cover as Aric's secretary, she is forced to stand by as her own people are sent to Auschwitz.



Story Time



For our Preschool Story Time we read "Pete the Cat's Five Little Pumpkins. The Preschool liked this book so much they knew it by heart and helped Elizabeth read it! We then went around the room talking about what we each were going to be for Halloween.



After we were finished with Story Time the Preschool class made their own Jack-O-Lanterns by choosing their eyes, noses, and mouths for their pumpkins.



During daycare's Story Time we read "The Halloween Play", a book about a mouse who stars in a Halloween play. After our story the kids made their own customized monsters with lots of scary faces!



For our Toddler Story Time we read the book "BOO!" a story about a little ghost who can float through walls and change shapes! After our story we made handprint ghosts that spell out "BOO".

