

Cleanup and restoration progress is being made following an unprecedented flood and backup on September 7th. It will be some time before our comfortable lower level reopens for public use. On the bright side, no books or archival documents were damaged and the library is open for fall hours. New fiction collections have been moved to the main level and staff can retrieve titles located downstairs. The book sale has also relocated upstairs. For now, the community hall is unavailable for room bookings but we will try to accommodate requests, as best we can, in our new programming space. Thank you all for your patience and understanding.

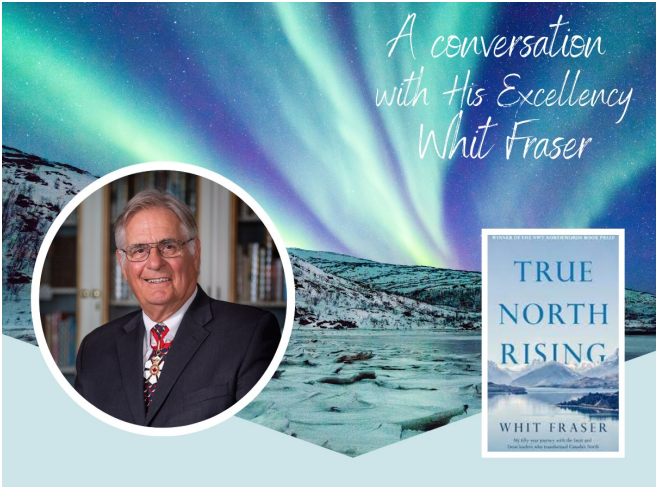
FALL HOURS
Monday & Tuesday 11am - 7pm
Wednesday to Friday 10am - 5pm
Saturday 10am - 2pm

We have lined up some fantastic programming this fall which will move ahead as planned.



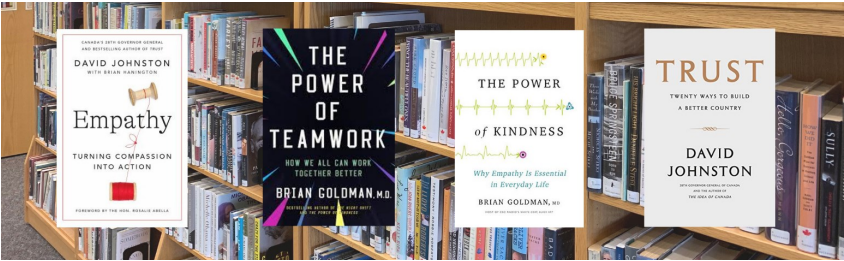
Tuesdays from 5:30pm to 7pm on September 26, October 24, November 28 and December 19 stop by the library for some beautiful music (cello, guitar, classical, jazz and more). **Busker's Café** is sponsored by Tim Hortons, Arnprior. Enjoy a coffee & treat and the opportunity to chat with the musicians. Donations will be accepted to support the artists.

October 16—20 is Ontario Public Library Week. In addition to book draws and activities, we're hosting two premier author events. The Library's Book Clubs will welcome the public to **His Excellency Whit Fraser's** visit on Saturday October 21 at 3pm. Whit Fraser is an author and story teller and married to Governor General Mary Simon. He'll be speaking about Canada's North and his book **True North Rising**. [Registration](#) is required for this limited seating event.



Canada's 28th Governor General **David Johnston** and CBC Radio's **Dr. Brian Goldman** have written extensively on the topic of empathy and kindness. We're bringing these two authors together for an engaging conversation in the hopes it will spring-board the community to further all their endeavours through the lens of kindness! Arnprior Mayor Lisa McGee will join library staff in co-moderating this engaging afternoon on Sunday October 22 at 2pm. There will be a Q&A segment as well.

White Pine Books will be on hand with books to purchase. This is a free event, but ticket [reservation](#) is required. Only registrants on the attendance list will be allowed into the venue. Sign up today through the library's [website](#).



White Pine Books is a wonderful library partner and we are pleased to help promote some of their upcoming author visits:

Emily Austin and Zoe Whittall will be at the bookstore the afternoon of October 21 and historical author Charlotte Gray will be at White Pine Books to talk about her newest biography [Passionate Mother's, Powerful Sons: The Lives of Jennie Jerome Churchill and Sara Delano Roosevelt](#) on Thursday, November 2nd at 6:30pm.

White Pine Books is located at 152 John Street North.



The library is thrilled to be hosting a return visit of Ottawa's Strings of St. John's Orchestra on November 25 at 7:30pm. This orchestra made their Arnprior debut at the library in 2014. Since that time, we've added more mobile shelves and can accommodate a much larger audience. Admission is by donation, but we ask guests to register to allow for ample seating to be set up. You can [reserve](#) your attendance on our website.

Stay tuned for more musical events in December.

NOTES ON REGULAR LIBRARY PROGRAMMING: The library's English as a Second Language Group is on hold for the time being. You can still add your name to the list and we'll keep you informed when this program resumes this fall. Tuesday Chess Club and Friday afternoon Bridge Club are on hold until the downstairs restoration work is completed. The Library Book Clubs will continue to meet on Tuesdays at 11am and the Monday Whatknots Knitting Group will meet at 10am in the bright new expansion space. We haven't forgotten about those of you who showed an interest in American Mahjong and we're also getting feedback on a "Painting Circle" at the library. Let us know what you'd like to pursue and hopefully we can schedule regular meetups by mid October. Information is available on our [website](#).

NEWS FROM THE CHILDREN'S DEPARTMENT



They say time flies when you are having fun and they're right! This summer flew by! Between our kick-off event with Junkyard Symphony on July 4 and our end of summer celebration with magician John Pert on August 23, we hosted 71 story times and handed out 1762 wooden coins earned by our avid readers! Generous donations from the Scharf Family Charitable Trust, the Arnprior Optimists and the Rotary Club of Arnprior allowed us to support these local businesses by purchasing gift certificates: Beach Bites, Dairy Queen, Flavour Container, Super Lucky Dollar Store, Wes' Chips and Wyvern Wares. For every 5 books participants read, they earned one wooden coin which they could redeem for treats at these businesses.



We're planning and preparing for a busy fall schedule

Our popular Friday morning drop in story times will resume on October 6th. Due to the restoration work in the lower level and the repurposing of the main programming room, we'll be moving Toddler Time and Preschool Story Times into the bright new Scharf Hall. If weather permits, we'll also be taking the children outside on our new patio space.

Toddler Time is at 10am and children attend with a grownup for this half hour of stories, songs, rhymes, play and fun. Preschool Story Time starts at 11am and these youngsters attend independently.



Baby Rhyme Time is back for fall sessions. This is a [registered](#) program for babies aged 5—12 months.

Don't forget to check out our 100 Books to Share before Kindergarten display as well as our new French Beginner Reader display. It is chock full of new books, just in time for the opening of the new French School in Arnprior, Ecole elementaire catholique des Deux Rivières.

BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND...

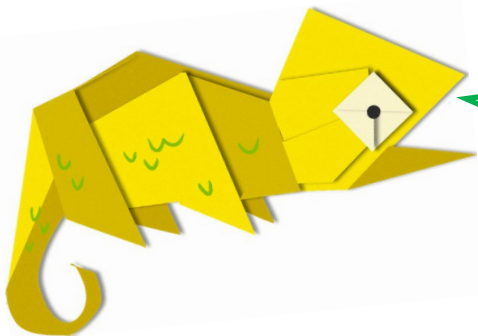
Our Book Advent Calendar event will take place on Tuesday November 21 from 6pm to 8pm. Registration will open online on Monday November 6th at 10am. If interest warrants, we may add a second evening.



Parents select their advent books and check them out for an extended loan. The library provides gift wrap for this great takeaway event for the whole family to enjoy as a lead up to Christmas.

INTRODUCING...

Scrabble Club for kids in grade 4 and up! Please contact Carolyn (youth@arnpriorlibrary.ca) if you have a child who would be interested in a weekly meet-up to play scrabble with their peers. This club will run after school on a weekday to be determined, so please indicate which day of the week would be best for your child.



Origami Club for school age kids! Learn the art of origami and have fun with friends! Nahuel, who ran our summer origami programs is interested in heading up with after-school program, so simply drop by the first Thursday of the month beginning Thursday October 5th at 3pm in the Scharf Hall.

"The three most important documents a free society gives are a birth certificate, a passport, and a library card." E.L. Doctorow