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The Southern Ontario Library Service (SOLS) has opted to provide partial postal reimbursement to assist libraries in re-instating Inter-Library Loans. SOLS suspended the service in April following a \$1.6M budget cut. SOLS is eliminating other resources to free up the postage subsidy.

Currently, it is too early to determine when the system will be restored; how many libraries will participate; whether there will be changes to the guidelines and the impact on the local budget. We anticipate reactivating Inter-Library Loans shortly.

Hip, Hip, Hooray! Our summer programming calendar is now available online with registration for the TDSRC opening on June 10th.

Come into the library to register your child(ren), receive your reading club package which includes the password to access the on-line program registration portal. All our daily programs are free thanks to ongoing support from the Scharf Family Charitable Trust, Arnprior Optimist Club, Rotary Club of Arnprior and the Northern Credit Union.



Please Note: Friday drop in story times are taking a break in June as we get organized for summer programs. Saturday LEGO Lounge and Bonjour mes amis Bilingual Family Story Times will resume in September.

Watch this space...



Between June 13 and 30 we'll be making room in the open area of the main library to accommodate a traveling art exhibit. This unique exhibit includes 11 Renfrew County artists who explore how ordinary objects can take on larger meaning in our lives. Many of the artists will be in attendance at the official Arnprior launch including Ritsuko Honda, a certified Ikebana flower arranger and a member of the executive for

the Madawaska Valley Horticultural Society. After moving permanently to Wilno from Japan in 2005, she started gardening with her husband so she could grow the Japanese vegetables that she so dearly missed. Everyone is invited to attend the official opening Thursday June 13th, 7 - 9pm



It was standing room only for our 3rd *Share the Stage* Open Mic! Fear not, we will move more shelves and add more seating for our next open mic on Sunday June 9th at 2pm.



If you're interested in creating your own art - registration is now open for our "Elements of Landscape" Art 101 session with artist in residence Ian Bartlett. This 3 week session is free and will be held Thursday afternoons from June 13 to June 27. Sign up today.



The May Art 101 session featured a focus on Perspective.

A great way to spend Thursday afternoons at the library!





Recently, the Town of Arnprior and McNab/Braeside were presented with conceptual drawings of the expansion plans to the library. The project would be funded through capital reserves. The plan includes an exterior patio as well as additional programming and meeting room space. Details of the interior design and timelines are still to be determined.

Thanks to everyone who participated in our Strategic Planning Survey.

The document will be updated later this summer, setting goals and directions for the next three years.





If you have pre-ordered a rain barrel with the library fundraiser, please note delivery of the orders should take place June 6th or 7th. An email with exact pickup will be sent out to everyone who placed an order. You can pay at delivery time (cash or debit).



Our Chess Club meet ups have been taking place on Wednesdays in the Art Corridor. Interested players (at all levels) are welcome to attend - either 3:30 to 5pm or at 6 to 7:30pm. We have chess sets and a facilitator to help guide the group. As we settle into a routine with the Chess Club, we may be hosting tournaments in the future.



Please remember our **Whatknots Knitting Crew** will continue to meet Monday mornings at 10am throughout the summer. Additionally, if you enjoy playing **Scrabble**, we've got boards set up on Tuesday mornings at 10am in the Art Corridor.

The **Spanish Conversation Group** has moved back to Saturday afternoons for the month of June and will take a break during July & August. The **French Conversation Group** has moved its meeting time to 10am on Saturdays. Everyone is welcome.

AND remember, you can practice your language skills on Mango Languages, anytime - for free with your library card! Check out the new updated look to Mango Languages. If you need help setting up your free account, just let us know and we can help you with some one on one technology training!





Summer hours resume right after Canada Day:

Monday - Thursdays 10am - 8pm | Fridays - Saturdays 10am - 5pm

We are closed Sundays and all statutory holidays.

