

The Ellington Reader

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| MONDAY | 11-7 |
| TUESDAY | 11-7 |
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| THURSDAY | 11-7 |
| FRIDAY | CLOSED |
| SATURDAY | 10-1 |
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COMING SOON-NEW HEALTH REFERENCE ITEM COLLECTION

Do you have some health related questions that you would like to look up? Would you prefer to watch a movie on a certain health related topic instead of reading about it? Have you previously searched through our library's nonfiction section for a certain health topic but could not find anything related to that subject? If you answered yes to any of these questions then we have an answer for you. Our library will soon have a Bookcase specifically dedicated to health related topics. The most exciting part is that it is filled with current books and DVD's that cover many of the common health topics which we previously were not able to offer to our patrons. The books we chose to include were purchased with these criteria in mind:



- 1) Topics our patrons would have interest in concerning a wide range of health related fields. Interest was gauged by previous topic requests of patrons searching for certain subjects.
- 2) Non academically written; meaning it should be written in such a way as to be readable by the average patron.
- 3) Publishing dates needed to be current enough as to be providing timely data.

We will be weeding through our current Health related Adult nonfiction books and will discard those which provide old and outdated medical information or advice. What is left will be added to the new additions. Some of the new books have not come in yet due to differences in publishing dates but we should have a complete collection by the end of September.

The library is also pleased to be able to offer an assortment of DVD's on selected topics. At the moment we have around 17 Health related DVD's. We plan to add to this collection in the future as funds permit. A sampling of topics included in this collection are:

Parenting/Caregiving
Substance Abuse
Basic Anatomy/Physiology
Eating Disorders
Human Sexuality
Child/Adolescent specific disorders
Diseases of the Brain
Healthy Aging and many more

The funds to purchase this Health Collection came from the "Give Big CHQ" fundraising campaign that our library participated in just a few months ago. All items will be available for checking out with a current library card. Checkout periods are the same as with other library items; two weeks for books and one week for DVD's. If you find a DVD that you are interested in but need a DVD player we can set up a viewing in our Community room on our large screen television if you call ahead and reserve a time. It is our hope that this collection will be a useful addition to our patrons and the community.



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FACEBOOK and our
Website:
ellingtonlibrary.org

BOARD OF TRUSTEES
WILL MEET SEPT 28 AT
7PM IN OUR COMMUNITY
ROOM

Judith Whittaker, Library Director

ADULT FICTION

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| Half Moon Bay | Jonathan Kellerman |
| Cajun Justice | James Patterson |
| First Case | James Patterson |
| Walk Along the Beach | Debbie Macomber |
| Deadlock | Catherine Coulter |
| Friends and Strangers | Courtney J. Sullivan |
| Rules for Moving | Nancy Star |
| Nemesis Manifesto | Eric Van Lustbader |

ADULT NON FICTION

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| Add the Answer Is | Alex Trebek |
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JUNIORS & YA

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| The Kingdom is Back | Marie Lu |
| Wicked Saints | Emily Duncan |
| The Dog Who Lost His Bark | Eion Colfer |

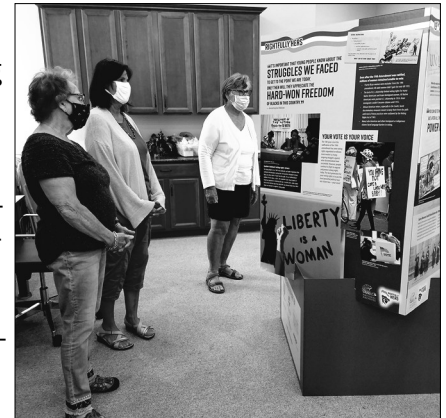
AUDIO BOOKS

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| The Litigators | John Grisham |
| The Third Gate | Lincoln Child |
| Back When We Were Grownups | Anne Tyler |
| Debt to Pay | Robert B. Parker |
| The Falls | Joyce Carol Oates |
| Two Dollar Bill | Stuart Woods |
| Foreign Body | Robin Cook |
| Andrew's Brain | E.L. Doctorow |
| Shadow of Power | Steve Martini |
| The Short Second Life of Bree Tanner | Stephenie Meyer |
| Blindside | James Patterson |

WOMEN'S STRUGGLE FOR VOTING RIGHTS EXHIBIT

We are pleased to announce that the display, "*Rightfully Hers*", commemorating the 100th anniversary of the ratification of the 19th Amendment is on display now at our library.

"*Rightfully Hers*" contains simple messages exploring the history of women's voting rights before and after the 19th, and its impact today. Despite decades of marches, petitions, and public debate to enshrine a woman's right to vote in the constitution, the 19th Amendment – while an enormous milestone – did not grant voting rights for all. The challenges of its passage reverberate to the ongoing fight for gender equity today. This exhibit runs through October 17. We are open regular hours: Monday through Thursday 11am - 7pm and on Saturdays 10am-1pm. We invite you all to come view this exhibit in our community Room.



"*Rightfully Hers*" is organized by the National Archives and Records Administration. The exhibition is presented in part by the Women's Suffrage Centennial Commission and the National Archives Foundation through the generous support of Unilever, Pivotal Ventures, Carl M. Freeman Foundation in honor of Virginia Allen Freeman, AARP, and Denise Gwyn Ferguson.



HELP WITH GARDEN PRODUCE

Too many tomatoes, squash, and beans and my garden is exploding! If that's you then we have a book (or 2!) for that exact issue. Here's a few that can help you with handling that huge amount of produce.

- Canning and Preserving for Dummies by Karen Ward
- The Complete Book of Home Canning and Preserving by U.S. Department of Agriculture
- The Complete Book of Home Preserving by Judi Kingrey
- Jams, Jellies, Pickling and More by Taste of Home

Stop in and see what other home preserving books we have that can help you make the best possible use of your garden.



Book Highlights of the Month

ADULT NONFICTION: AUTOBIOGRAPHY

The Answer Is...Reflections on My Life author Alex Trebek (book should be arriving soon at our library)

Longtime *Jeopardy!* host and television icon Alex Trebek reflects on his life and career.

Since debuting as the host of *Jeopardy!* in 1984, Alex Trebek has been something like a family member to millions of television viewers, bringing entertainment and education into their homes five nights a week. Last year, he made the stunning announcement that he had been diagnosed with stage four pancreatic cancer. What followed was an incredible outpouring of love and kindness. Social media was flooded with messages of support, and the *Jeopardy!* studio received boxes of cards and letters offering guidance, encouragement, and prayers.

For over three decades, Trebek had resisted countless appeals to write a book about his life. Yet he was moved so much by all the goodwill, he felt compelled to finally share his story. "I want people to know a little more about the person they have been cheering on for the past year," he writes in *The Answer Is...: Reflections on My Life*.

The book combines illuminating personal anecdotes with Trebek's thoughts on a range of topics, including marriage, parenthood, education, success, spirituality, and philanthropy. Trebek also addresses the questions he gets asked most often by *Jeopardy!* fans, such as what prompted him to shave his signature mustache, his insights on legendary players like Ken Jennings and James Holzhauer, and his opinion of Will Ferrell's *Saturday Night Live* impersonation. The book uses a novel structure inspired by *Jeopardy!*, with each chapter title in the form of a question, and features dozens of never-before-seen photos that candidly capture Trebek over the years.

This wise, charming, and inspiring book is further evidence why Trebek has long been considered one of the most beloved and respected figures in entertainment

Review by <https://www.simonandschuster.com/books>

ADULT FICTION: SPY/ACTION GENRE

The Nemesis Manifesto author Eric Van Lustbader. (book should be arriving soon at our library)

Eric Van Lustbader kicks off his wild, action-packed new series with a thundering bang. Operating deep in the shadows, a secret cabal known only as Nemesis is working around the clock to tear America apart. For Evan Ryder, a kickass female operator working for a top-secret government program buried deep within the Department of Defense, finding them and infiltrating their network is her top priority, but doing so quickly proves to be both harder and more dangerous than she could have anticipated.

Previously, Ryder's boss received a list of six names, all of them agents who had been investigating Nemesis. Now, five of them are either dead or MIA, leaving one survivor—a man named Patrick Wilson. Tasked with finding Wilson along with whatever he might have learned about Nemesis, Ryder sets out with her partner, Brenda Myers, to do exactly that, only things don't quite go according to plan.

The story's first big twist comes when, after locating Wilson, the agent dies while Ryder is questioning him. Shortly thereafter, Ryder and Myers are targeted in an attack. Realizing she's now on Nemesis' radar, it's up to Evan to track them down before they can eliminate her too—but in the process, she stumbles upon a conspiracy that goes much deeper, and stretches much further, than anyone expected . . .

While Lustbader remains best known for his work in Robert Ludlum's Jason Bourne series, I expect that to soon change. *This* is his best thriller so far, and there's no question—Evan Ryder is a fascinating new protagonist, maybe even the best new character introduced this year (along with heroes from Don Bentley and Chris Hauty). Think Marvel's Black Widow meets shades of Bourne (the movie Bourne more than the book version), and you've got Ryder, a deep and layered character with her own tragic backstory who is beautifully and expertly developed.

Tough, capable, and driven, Ryder prefers to work alone, though she isn't exactly given that option this time around. And while the story—which is complex and timely, twisting and turning from beginning to end—is deftly plotted, it's Ryder that makes this book so special. From brilliant action sequences to big reveals, Ryder drives the story, and while I'm hesitant to over-hype a new series too soon, the sky really is the limit for this franchise moving forward.

The Nemesis Manifesto is a relentless, entertaining thrill ride from Lustbader, who reminds readers just how good he is when it comes to cranking out high-powered espionage adventures that are impossible to put down. Someone tell Bourne to move over, the genre has a new star in Evan Ryder.

Review by Ryan Steck from TheRealBookSpy.com

SUMMER READING PROGRAM UPDATE

The Summer Reading Program at the library was vastly different from previous summers. Due to the pandemic reopening guidelines we were not able to offer in-person programming to our children. I really missed the children running around the library on Tuesdays and Thursdays with loads of books, tons of questions, sticky faces from snacks and best of all, the abundance of frenzied activity they provided.

This year we were able to offer the “Pick a Bag-Pick a Book” program. This activity offered a weekly themed craft bag that included all the supplies (except glue & tape) that the child needed to complete the craft. We set out a display with books focusing on that weekly theme. They read books, read the instructions to make the craft and enjoyed some self directed creative time at their homes. Some of the kids worked on their crafts in the Town Park at the picnic tables. A variety of weekly themes were used that included caterpillars, aliens, ladybugs, turtles, wizards, penguins and even a surprise category bag.

We had 11 children aged 5–11 officially registered for the program. All of them plus a few visiting children not registered participated in the craft bags. As of Monday August 24th we handed out a total of 80 bags. The children really enjoyed the crafts and many brought theirs in for me to take photos of. My circulation area was filled with colorful caterpillars, tiny turtles, wonderful wizards, pesky penguins and more! The children have until Sept. 1 to get their books officially recorded and reading logs finished.



Savannah with her wonderful Wizard she made



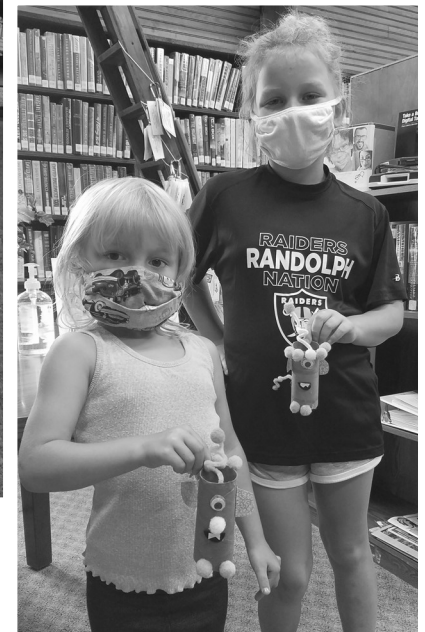
Josh with his Surprise Creation



The children's crafts decorating our circulation area



Savannah with her surprise craft: she made a cute kitty cat!



Makenna and Michaela with their Alien Crafts!



Aubrey with her caterpillars & penguins

HOW CAN THE LIBRARY ASSIST IN CHILDREN'S EDUCATION?

Due to changing school options I have had a few families start to ask questions concerning what the library can do to assist the homeschooling family. That's a great question and the answer could benefit many people so I'll answer it here.

Even during a pandemic with limited options available to gather in buildings the library can still provide the necessary tools to assist the homeschooler.

The first and foremost thing the library has to offer is access to information. A textbook is great for giving out little snippets of information and facts in short chapters but the library can provide more in depth books on a certain topic. Your children can delve further into a subject that interests them by searching for that topic in the library. If they cannot find a book in their local library we have interlibrary loan delivery. This service provides your children access to any item within our 38 library system with one library card. Holds can be placed on any item and we can usually have it delivered to our library within one week. We then call you to inform you it has arrived and we hold it for you to pick up. We also offer to homeschooling families an extended checkout period of 6 weeks for a book instead of the usual 2 week limit. This would not include books listed in the catalog as a "new" addition.

The technological resources the library provides are also a great service to those households with limited technology or internet service. We have 6 computers for patron usage and we offer high speed internet with free Wifi for patrons to use with their own devices. New this year we will have a designated area in the corner of our community room that can be reserved for a homeschooling family to use. We'll provide a large table, chairs and one computer in that area. You will need to call ahead with a date and time request to use that area. All children must stay with you and will not be allowed to wander throughout the library. The area will be cleaned and sanitized after each family is done according to our NYS Safety Reopening guidelines. This area is reserved for one family at a time as we cannot have large homeschooling groups meeting here.

We also offer the following research databases you can access from our computers or your devices at home. You will find tutorials and help guides for each of these sites by visiting <https://www.cclsny.org/> or you can link to them from our website: <https://www.ellingtonlibrary.org/>

- **Digital Public Library of America:** use this database to discover 40,203,423 images, texts, videos, and sounds from across the United States
- **NYS Archives for Genealogy and historical records**
- **NY Heritage Digital Collections:** "New York Heritage is a research portal for students, educators, historians, genealogists, and anyone else who is interested in learning more about the people, places and institutions of New York State." - <https://nyheritage.org/about>
- **NYS Historic Newspapers:** "The New York Historic Newspapers project exists to digitize and make freely available for research significant runs of historic newspapers for every county in the state." - <https://nyshistoricnewspapers.org/about/>
- **NOVELny:** NOVELny is an online virtual library connecting New Yorkers to 21st century information via libraries and library systems statewide. NOVELny is an electronic resource access project that enables libraries across New York State to give their communities online access to the full text of thousands of journals, newspapers and other references.
- **Virtual Museums, Zoos and aquariums:** use the link on the <https://www.cclsny.org/> homepage to access national sites your child can visit and learn about by using our computers or their own devices. These sites are great for taking virtual field trips!
- **Overdrive:** Your public library will continue to provide ebooks, downloadable audiobooks, and digital magazines via the Libby App on your devices at <https://ccls.overdrive.com/>

Please call the library at 287-2945 or email us at info@ellingtonlibrary.org starting in September to reserve your spot or with any questions. We are happy to be able to be a partner in children's education.

Laugh @ the Library

- *What is the tallest building in the world?* The library, because it has the most stories.
- *What's the longest word in the dictionary?* Smiles. Because there is a mile between each s.
- *Why did the book join the police?* He wanted to go undercover!
- *Why is a math book always unhappy?* Because it always has lots of problems.
- *What do you get when you cross a librarian and a lawyer?* All the information in the world, but you can't understand a word of it.

ELLINGTON FARMAN LIBRARY

FILL OUR FRONT PORCH!



SAT. SEPT. 12
8am - 1pm

RETURNABLES FUNDRAISER

**DROP OFF YOUR BAGS OF
CLEAN RETURNABLES-
WE'LL RECYCLE THEM FOR YOU!**

CLEAN CANS & PLASTIC BOTTLES NO GLASS

*Start saving them now
Fill our front porch!*

Learning AT THE Library!



THE LIBRARY WANTS TO BE A PARTNER IN
YOUR CHILD'S EDUCATION EXPERIENCE!

WE NOW HAVE A DESIGNATED AREA AVAILABLE
YOU CAN RESERVE FOR YOUR FAMILY TO USE

**AREA INCLUDES LARGE TABLE, CHAIRS AND ONE COMPUTER LOCATED IN
A QUIET CORNER OF OUR COMMUNITY ROOM**

Call ahead with a date and time request to use that area
All children must stay with you and will not be allowed to wander throughout the library unsupervised
The area will be cleaned and sanitized after each family usage
This area is reserved for one family at a time- we cannot accommodate large homeschooling groups

Starting in September: Call 287- 2945 to reserve your time slot

WELCOME BACK!



We're so excited to be able to welcome back the following groups for in person meetings at the library starting in September!

YOGA: meeting on Wednesdays at 6pm. Starts Sept. 2
Call 287-2945 to register as class size is limited to 8 people.
Please bring your own mat. This class uses DVD's of their choosing which they can provide or they may use our library Yoga DVD's.

ADULT BOOK CLUB: meeting monthly on the third Thursday at 11am. September 17th they will be discussing the book "Big Lies in a Small Town" by Diane Chamberlain

QUILTING/CRAFTING GROUP: meeting on the first and third Mondays of the month from 11am-1pm. Due to the Labor Day Holiday this groups first meeting will be Monday September 21.

WE ARE ALLOWED TO OPEN TO SMALL GROUP MEETINGS ONLY.
This means we have to place the limit on gatherings at 8-9 participants. Please call 287-2945 to reserve your place for any of these groups. Face masks are required and social distancing within the library will be in practice.