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March/April 2023

NEW RADON DETECTOR LOAN PROGRAM

Radon is a naturally occurring gas that can become a health risk if it accumulates in our homes. According to the Manitoba Lung Association, it is the second leading cause of lung cancer and it can lead to many other lung issues.

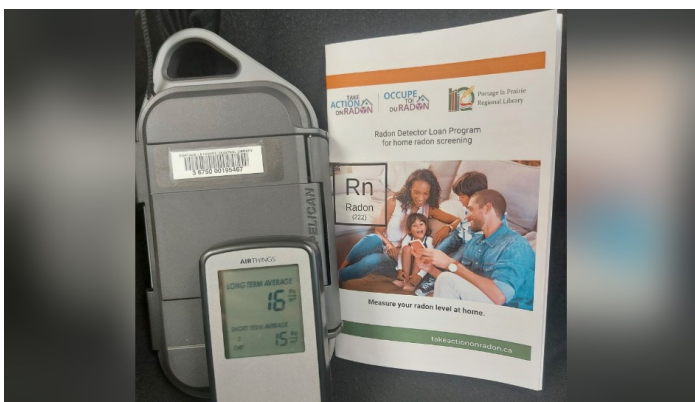
The only way to know if your home has radon is to test for it. To help with this, the Manitoba Lung Association is distributing radon screening devices to a number of libraries across the province

including ours – we will be receiving five devices.

Once we launch the program in late March, you will be able to borrow a device for three weeks. If the average level of radon you see is above a certain number,

there are additional steps you can take. An information booklet with more information will accompany each device.

Visit our website often for updates and launch dates!



IN HOUSE GAME IN MARCH!

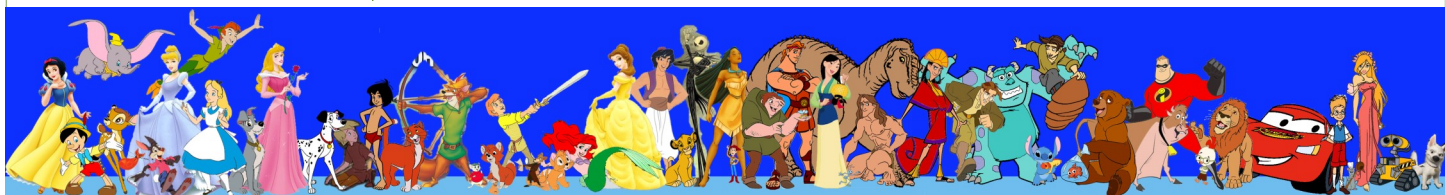
Disney Trivia... are you up for the challenge?!

In March, Library Allard will have a game set up for families and young children to play.

Simply put your Disney knowledge to the test with

this fun interactive game! It will be set up upon entry of the library, under the office window!

Have fun & Good luck!!



RADIO-BIBLIO: CBC RADIO-CANADA JOURNALIST-IN-RESIDENCE

We're excited to announce that the Radio-Biblio project is coming to St. Georges!

Journalists from the Radio-Canada newsroom have been visiting libraries located in Francophone communities. So far, they have visited libraries in Sainte-Anne and Saint-Jean-Baptiste. **From March 7 to April 1, we will welcome one of the journalists to our library.**

Using our library as a home base, the journalist will take the time to get to know the community and tell our stories. They will also be offering a variety of workshops in French (topics and dates to be determined).

Stay tuned for more details by visiting our website and Facebook page!



EGGSTRAVAGANZA

Join us on **Thursday, April 6th** for the library's annual **EggSTRAVAGANZA**.

This event will be from 6:00pm – 7:00pm and open to children & families of all ages.

We will be decorating eggs, and having a scavenger hunt in the

library. The kids will enjoy a snack to wrap up the evening.

Children under 5 must be accompanied by an adult. A silver collection jar will be set up if you'd like to contribute to the cost.

To register your child, please visit our website at

www.allardlibrary.com and click on events!

Maximum of 12 children are able to attend so get your registration in asap!

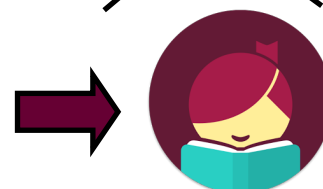


RETIREMENT OF THE OVERDRIVE APP!

The OverDrive app will be retired at the end of April 2023. After that time, users who try to access the library's digital collection in the OverDrive app will see a message about upgrading to Libby. Note: this change does not affect anyone already using Libby to access e-books

and audiobooks. We know this change will inconvenience some patrons.

If you need assistance in switching to Libby, please contact us at 204-367-8443 and we can help.



KICKASS WOMEN'S DAY!

Library Allard is hosting it's 9th **annual Kickass Women's Day!** This year it will be held at the **École Powerview School gym** from **10:00am – 2:00pm.**

We haven't held this fundraiser indoors for 3 years so we're looking forward to seeing it all come together.

This year we have vendors, informative health tables, a silent auction, a 50/50 draw, door prize draw, and more!

This event is a great opportunity to

EVERYONE
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Welcome!

get those Mother and Father's Day gifts bought for those special people in your life OR find something for yourself. The health tables will have plenty of information and representatives will be there to ask any questions you may have. Come by to say hello!

Edgewater Recreation, Wings of Power, and Great falls Community Hall are just a few local information tables that will be in attendance!

There will be something for everyone so please stop by. We're looking forward to seeing you and thank you for the ongoing support!



OUR READ 2 WIN CHALLENGE CONTINUES!

Don't forget, our 2023 reading challenge continues throughout the year.

In March, our reading prompt is to read a book that teaches you something new (this is a broad category – you decide if a book teaches you something new!).

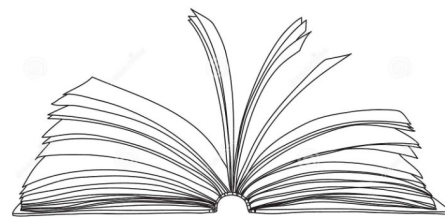
In April, our prompt is to read a science fiction book.

Once you have completed a monthly challenge, fill out an entry for the draw at either branch.

For more information about our Read2Win Challenge, visit our website at <https://allardlibrary.com/read2win-challenge/>

Reminder... if you enter the draw every month, you will

have 12 chances to win 3 \$50 gift cards! Good luck!!



BOOK DISPLAYS AT THE LIBRARY

In March, we have new book displays set up!

For the adult section in **March** we're featuring a **Blast from the Past** display!

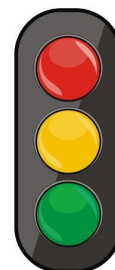


In the children's section you'll find a **Video Games** display.

We have books available for all ages!

April book displays are colorful and unique! The adult section will feature a **Just One Word!** display.

In the children's section we'll have a **Stoplight** display. Just look for the bright colors :)



WALK/RUN FOR LITERACY **OUTDOOR SCAVENGER HUNT**

Library Allard is asking families in the community to participate in an Outdoor Scavenger Hunt. The goal... to promote literacy and fitness within our community and have tons of fun while doing so!

**WHEN: Saturday, May 27th
10:00am - 12:00pm**

HOW IT WORKS:

Registration is \$25.00 per family. The fee is the same whether you have 3 people in your family or 6. There will be 6 stations throughout the community of St. Georges. Your job is to find all 6! At each station, there will be a clue to find the next

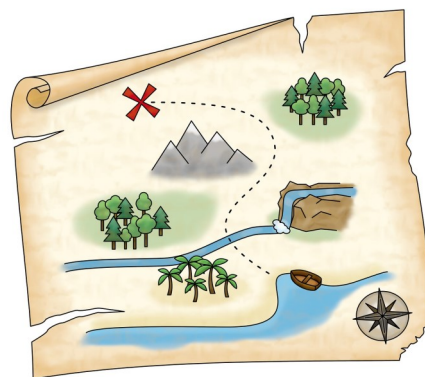
station as well as a something fun for the kids. This fundraiser can involve the entire family of all ages. Strollers and wagons are welcome.

We will have a few prizes set up at the library. **Each family will get ONE ballot to put in ONE of the prizes.** Prize winners will be drawn once all families have completed the course and return to the library.

Drinks will be available when you complete the course.

For those interested in participating and those who wish to support this effort please go to www.allardlibrary.com for de-

tails and to register. If you need additional information contact Jen at 204-367-8443. This is a great opportunity to get our families, grandparents, cousins, & friends out of the house for exercise and a great cause!



DIY FAIRY GARDEN WORKSHOP

We are thrilled to be hosting our first Fairy Garden Workshop. The event is just as it sounds... we're making fairy gardens!!



On **June 8th from 6-7pm** we will be creating our own unique fairy gardens. **The fee is \$30.00 for each fairy garden registration.**

All supplies are included in the fee. The following supplies are provided by the library: Pots; dirt; stones; mushrooms; plants; fairy house; popsicle stick's; hot glue guns & glue; string; art supplies; scissors.

Feel free to bring in extra trinkets and supplies from home you'd like to incorporate into your garden or use to create it.

Maximum 10 families! Please e-transfer registration fee to admin@allardlibrary.com

To register visit www.allardlibrary.com

LIBRARY ALLARD HOURS OF OPERATION:

SUNDAY, MONDAY	CLOSED
TUESDAY	10:30am - 5:00pm
WEDNESDAY	12:00 pm - 8:00pm
THURSDAY	12:00 pm - 8:00pm
FRIDAY	12:00pm - 5:00pm
SATURDAY	11:00am - 4:30pm

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VIC BEACH BRANCH HOURS OF OPERATION:

WEDNESDAY	10:00am - 2:00pm
FRIDAY	10:00am - 2:00pm
SATURDAY	10:00am - 2:00pm
SATURDAY (May - Sept)	10:00am - 4:00pm

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