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# Allard Advantage

Nov/Dec 2023

## REMEMBRANCE DAY DISPLAY

From November 1st to Nov 11th, the library will have a Remembrance Day book display set up to honor all those who have fought and died in the line of duty for our freedom and to the men and women who

continue to fight. Visit our website at [www.allardlibrary.com](http://www.allardlibrary.com) to watch Remembrance Day interviews with some local veterans.

On November 10th École Powerview School will hold a Remembrance

Day ceremony at 10:30am in the gym. All community members are welcome.



## ANNUAL PURDY'S CHOCOLATE FUNDRAISER

Want to know the most DELICIOUS way to support us? Order Purdy's chocolates from our fundraiser!

This year, we're hoping to raise \$1000.00 for programming and events for children and families, and we need YOUR help!

**From Nov 1st to Nov 27th, you can order Purdy's treats from our fundraiser** by joining our campaign and browsing the tastiest

selection of chocolates online. Shop Christmas gifts for family, friends, neighbours AND yourself in one convenient place. Not sure what to buy teachers, bus drivers, coaches, and coworkers, this is a great option! After all orders are submitted, we'll sort, distribute, and let you know when you can collect your goodies.

What you'll need to order:

1. Our campaign number: 1592973-110920

2. Go to our fundraising website <https://fundraising.purdys.com/1592973-110920>

3. Click "Join Campaign"  
4. Shop, shop, shop away! These details will be saved online and by email. You can also pick up a print catalogue at either branch.

Thank you EVERYONE for your support. Even if you can't buy chocolates from us, it would mean the world if you could spread the word!  
Happy Chocolating!



## ALLARD'S EPIC BOOKMARK FUNDRAISER

We are thrilled to join River Ramblings Custom Design to bring a Bookmark Fundraiser to the Allard and Victoria Beach Branches!

We are partnering up with Debbie to offer 4 bookmark options for purchase at both locations. They

are made of metal and will offer 4 designs.

We will have them displayed on the circulation desks to view in person.

**Bookmarks are \$12.00 each OR 2 for \$20.00.** It's a great gift idea or a nice treat for yourself.



Option 1  
"Puppy"



Option 2  
"Owls"



Option 3  
"Calf"



Option 4  
"Kitten"

## LEGO CLUB IS BACK!

**Lego Club is starting in November at Allard!**

**It will run Wednesdays from 6-7pm starting Nov 8th, 2023 and will run until Dec 22nd, 2023.**

All ages are welcome.

If your child is less than 5 years



old we ask that you stick around in case they need help.

The Lego Club sessions will be facilitated by a student. The kids will be given building challenges they have the option to take part in.

**You DO NOT need to register for the sessions. This is a drop in program.**

## WOOD N KNOTS - POSTPONED

Library Allard is excited to be hosting a Sign Making Workshop along with Mark & Kaitlyn from **Wood-n-Knots THIS SPRING!**

**Cost is \$60.00/ sign and includes all supplies! There will be 6 sign options to choose from.**



You customize your sign by picking your sign option, the stain for your sign and the font color! We need a minimum 10 participants to move forward with the event.

**The fee is non-refundable if you cancel within 2 weeks of the event.**

For more information check back in the Spring.

## BOOK DISPLAYS AT THE LIBRARY

The special display for **November** in the adult section is featuring **Hockey Books.**

In **December**, you'll find a **Tis' the Season to be Reading** book display.

The children's book display is featuring a **Read the**

**Rainbow** display in **November!**

In **December** we'll have a **Treat Yourself to a Christmas Book** display along with festive Christmas décor throughout the library. We have books in both English and French.



## KANOPY Launching Nov 1st



Starting November 1, explore the world of cinema with a new service called Kanopy! Kanopy is an on-demand streaming video platform for libraries that offers over 30,000 documentaries, classics, international films (including French cinema) and learning videos from hundreds of producers. A separate Kanopy Kids area features movies and TV shows for children.

To stream Kanopy films to your computer, phone or tablet you'll need:

- A valid Bibliothèque Allard Regional Library membership number.
- An account at Kanopy, which you'll set up the first time you log in.

- A computer with an internet connection OR the Kanopy app for iOS or Android (for watching movies on your phone or tablet). Kanopy will also work on your TV with certain devices.

Our Kanopy subscription gives every library member 10 tickets per month starting in November. When you're logged in, you'll see how many tickets are required to watch each film next to the play button. Some films require one ticket, some several tickets. Kanopy Kids is unlimited and tickets aren't required – you can stream as much as you like.

Visit our website at [allardlibrary.com/kanopy](http://allardlibrary.com/kanopy) for more details and frequently asked questions.



## DEPT 56. CHRISTMAS HERITAGE VILLAGE



Back by popular demand, this holiday season Library Allard will have it's beautiful **Dicken's Dept. 56 Heritage Christmas Village** set up for community members to view in December.

members niece.

It is a very unique collection, you won't want to miss it!

Don't forget to visit the Winnipeg River Heritage museum to

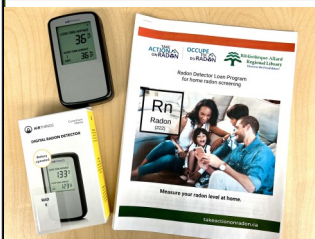
The beautiful 40+ piece collection was donated to the library by a community

view the Festival des Crèches exhibit. It will be available for viewing at the end of November and through the holidays. For more information please visit [www.winnipegrivermuseum.com](http://www.winnipegrivermuseum.com)

**Merry Christmas & all the best in 2024! From the board & staff at Library Allard and the Victoria Beach Branch!**



## RADON DETECTORS AVAILABLE



### November is Radon Action Month!

Radon is a soil gas that can be found in

elevated levels in certain homes. Radon is the second-leading cause of lung cancer, surpassed only by smoking. It's important that everyone test their homes for

radon, and take action to reduce their radon level if required.

Our library has five radon kits that members can borrow – three kits are at Allard and two are at Victoria Beach. Each kit comes with a digital radon detector and a booklet about radon. The detectors are easy to set up, so don't hesitate to borrow one – you can keep it for three weeks.

This program was made possible with support from the Manitoba Lung Association. More information about our program and how to set up the radon detector in your home is at <https://allardlibrary.com/radon-detector-loan-program/>

## WINTER PORCH POT WORKSHOP



Back by popular demand, Lisa will be here **Thursday, Nov 30th for a Christmas themed event... Winter Porch Pot**

**Workshop! The event starts at 6:30pm.**

**Cost is \$55 per person and**

includes all the fresh greens, ribbon and basic embellishments.

Participants need to bring an outdoor planter like an urn or some other weather resistant container. 12 to 14 inches across and at least that deep to provide some weight. Participants can use a newly prepared container with fresh soil / sand or reuse a finished planter from last season. (that cannot be frozen on day of workshop) To prepare a used pot

simply cut off the fall plants and leave the roots intact which provides stability to hold the stems in place!

There is a minimum requirement of 8 people and maximum 12 for the event to take place.

**To register please visit our website at [allardlibrary.com](http://allardlibrary.com)**

## GINGERBREAD HOUSE BUILDING EVENING

Christmas is around the corner. We'd like to celebrate the holiday season with you by hosting our 2nd Gingerbread House building evening on **Thursday, December 7th from 6-7:30pm at the Allard library.**

We encourage families to use your imaginations and create something so fun and yummy!

**The cost is \$25.00/family/gingerbread house.** We provide everything! All we need is you!

Parents, grandparents, cousin and friends are welcome.

We can register a maximum of 10 families due to space so sign up soon!.

We will have a special guest arrive during the event to check out your awesome creations!

To register please visit our website at [www.allardlibrary.com](http://www.allardlibrary.com)



## GRANTS

As we wrap up 2023, we have so much to be thankful for and lots to look forward to! Our three partner municipalities (the RM of Alexander, the RM of Victoria Beach and the Town of Powerview-Pine Falls) and the Manitoba government provide annual funding for our two branches to operate – we couldn't do it without them. In addition, we received funding from the following organizations for special projects this year:

The Thomas Sill Foundation provided funds to refresh some furniture at our Allard branch, including new magazine shelving, shelving to display new books, a desk

and a couple of bookcases for our children's area.

We celebrated our 40th anniversary with support from the Manitoba government's Arts, Culture and Sport in Community "Community Celebrations" program.

We hired three summer students in 2023 with funding from the Manitoba Metis Federation and the Manitoba government's Urban/Hometown Green Team program.

We received funding through the Manitoba government's Heritage

grant program to digitize community newspapers – we're hoping to make this collection publicly available before the end of 2023.

We received funding from the federal Community Services Recovery Fund to add videoconferencing technology to our multipurpose room – this project is ongoing.

We received funding from the Manitoba government's Arts, Culture and Sport in Community Fund (small capital stream) to modernize our children's and youth area – this project is also ongoing and you'll see some exciting changes in 2024.

## MAGAZINE SPONSORSHIP

At the beginning of each year, we launch our magazine campaign.

We reach out to previous sponsors, businesses and families in the community by sending sponsorship letters with a pre paid stamped envelope for their contribution. The donation is acknowledged with a tax deductible receipt as well as an acknowledgment printed on the outside cover of each magazine

issue. With a sponsorship, the library is able to feature many types of magazines for community members each year.

**A huge thank you to sponsors in 2023...**

Anderson Family Vision Care; Blue Water RV Park; Caisse Financial; Dave's Furniture; Deals for Dollars; G's Septic; Midway Foods; Kulyk Insurance & Financial; Rapid Water & Deli; Papineau Motors; Pine

Pharmacy; Ray-Ann Transport LTD; Powerview Auto; Sonny's Chicken House; St. Croix Cycle and Marine; Access Credit Union; Hillside Building Supply; DMD Electric; Lakeside Surveillance Ltd; Wayne's Backhoe; Trainor Trucking ; Helmut & Helen Hesse

If this is something you're interested in please email [asstlib@allardlibrary.com](mailto:asstlib@allardlibrary.com) to get started!

### LIBRARY ALLARD HOURS OF OPERATION:

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

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### VIC BEACH BRANCH HOURS OF OPERATION:

WEDNESDAY	<b>10:00am - 2:00pm</b>
FRIDAY	<b>10:00am - 2:00pm</b>
SATURDAY	<b>10:00am - 2:00pm</b>
SATURDAY (May - Sept)	<b>10:00am - 4:00pm</b>

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