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REMEMBRANCE DAY DISPLAY

From November 1st to Nov 11th, the library will have a Remembrance Day book display set up to honour 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 to watch Remembrance Day interviews with some local veterans.

On November 8th, École Powerview School will hold a Remembrance Day ceremony at 10:30am in the gym.

All community members are welcome.



PURDY'S ANNUAL CHOCOLATE FUNDRAISER @ both branches!

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 now until Nov 20th, 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, neighbors AND yourself in one convenient place. Not sure what to

buy teachers, bus drivers, coaches, or coworkers, this is a great option! They also have stocking stuffers and assorted giftwrapped options. After all orders are submitted, we'll sort, distribute, and let you know when you can collect your goodies.

Orders will be available for pick up by Dec 5th 2024 at both branches, just in time for Christmas!

What you'll need to order:

1. Our campaign number: 1592973-118950
2. Go to our fundraising website [CLICK HERE](#)
3. Click "Join Campaign".

Once you submit your email address, it will allow you to go in and out of your account numerous times to do your shopping before submitting your final order.

4. Shop, shop, shop away! These details will be saved online and by email. **You can also pick up a print catalogue at both branches, St. Georges P.O. and Riverfront Convenience.**

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

GINGERBREAD MAN COLOURING CONTEST

Library Allard is having a **Gingerbread Colouring Contest from Nov 5 – Dec 17/24.**

How it works? Simply come to the library to pick up your coloring page. You can also print it at home by clicking this link... [Gingerbread Col-](#)

[ouring Contest colour page](#)

Drop off anytime between Nov 5 and Dec 17/24... our community members will decide which one is their favorite for each category. We will tally up and 1 winner for each age category will be chosen. Fun right?!

Pick up your Gingerbread

colouring page anytime.

There are 3 ages groups: 3-4; 5-7; 8-10.



DEPARTMENT 56 HERITAGE CHRISTMAS 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.

The beautiful 40+ piece collection

was donated to the library by a community member's niece. It will be set up at the end of November so please stop by to see it in person. You won't be disappointed.

IN HOUSE GAME IN DECEMBER



Visit the library, from **Nov 30th - Dec 30th** to decorate our two snowmen! We have a boy and a girl snowman.

They are made of felt for our younger patrons little fingers and are guaranteed to

keep your little one entertained while you look at books or simply just want to hang out.

Traditionally, the library has an in house game set up every second month or so throughout the year. Visit our website to keep up to date with library news.

We hope you plan to come spend some time at the library during the Christmas holidays!



GINGERBREAD HOUSE BUILDING EVENING

Christmas is around the corner. We'd like to celebrate the holiday season with you by hosting our 3rd Gingerbread House building evening on **Thursday, December 5th from 6-7:30pm at the Allard library in St. Georges.**

We encourage families to use your imaginations and create something 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 8 families due to space so sign up soon.

To register please visit our website at www.allardlibrary.com



LARGE PRINT PROJECT

We know that many of our members need or prefer to read books in large print formats – large print books are generally easier to read. While we do carry large print books in the library, we recognize that our selection is

limited. We're excited to share that with funding from the Manitoba Accessibility Fund, we'll be expanding our large print collections at both branches in early 2025. What a great way to begin the new year!

We'll share more about this project in the next issue of our newsletter.

AIR QUALITY MONITORING IN ST. GEORGES

We love being community scientists, so we are happy to once again partner with the Manitoba Lung Association and Health Canada. Last year we received radon detectors to measure radon levels in indoor air – these detectors are still available to borrow from both library branches. This year we received a PurpleAir sensor that measures particulate matter smaller than 2.5 micrometers in diameter (PM2.5) in outdoor air. These tiny airborne particles are

emitted by vehicles, industry, forest fires and other sources.

Our air quality sensor transmits data about local PM2.5 concentrations to the real-time PurpleAir map. When viewing the map, you will see colour-coded numbers from 1 to 10 that indicate the level of immediate health risk associated with local air quality – 1 indicates low risk and 10 indicates very high risk.

Visit our outdoor air quality page at <https://allardlibrary.com/outdoor-air-quality/> for more information including a link to the PurpleAir map.



HOLIDAY HOURS

Both branches will be closed December 24, 25, 26, 31 & January 1/25.

Merry Christmas and all the best in 2025!

**From the board and staff at Library Allard and the
Victoria Beach Branch!**

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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