



THE CARLSBAD PUBLIC LIBRARY

PATRON

September 2022

Your Library Card opens a World of Possibilities

By Sarah Jones, Director

You have a library card now you can check out books and movies. You might even know of some of the other services offered. But do you know how to get the most out of your library card and the services we offer?

Tired of having to wait for new releases? There is no need to wait. Request new release items and get your name put on the top of the list. You might even be the first person to get the item. If it is a popular book or movie the library usually has it on order before the publication date. Once the record is in the system, you

can request the item online, or even sooner in person. Is there an author you want to read all of their work, but can't keep up with their next release? Sign up for Reserve Express and you will be added on the wait list for all titles by this author.

Sometimes when a patron requests an item not on order, the staff will then buy it knowing that there is a need for it. If you are not sure if we are going to order an item or if it is not as mainstream as a James Patterson you can come in and request that we buy the book or item. There is no way for us to buy every book

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NEW Exciting Fall Programs!

We are very excited to offer new library programs.

For our youngest patrons, we are starting new Birth to Kindergarten programming focusing on early literacy and preparing young children for reading, writing, and kindergarten.

We are starting with **Baby Time**, a lapsit program for

babies 0-15 months old and their caregivers. This program will start your baby on their early literacy journey, and give caregivers plenty of helpful tools to bring home.

Toddler Time is for 16-35 month olds and their caregivers. This will build

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COMMUNITY

SEEDS AND SPROUTS SWAP

Sept. 10 • 11 a.m.

Seeds, sprouts, plants, cuttings, and more are welcome in this swap. Come see what fellow growers have to offer, and find new plants to take home and try.

DUNGEONS AND DRAGONS

Sept. 10 & 24

10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Answer the call for adventure with your favorite role-playing game. We will be hosting tables that people can use to play Dungeons and Dragons or other table top style games. D&D rule books and dice sets are provided. Any experience level is welcome.

ASL SIGNING TIME

Oct 1 • 10 a.m. – Noon

You are invited to join us for American Sign Language! Meet and learn from members of the deaf, hard of hearing, and alternative speech communities in Carlsbad.

ADULTS

BREWS & BOOKS

Sept. 21 • 6:30 p.m.

Milton's Brewing

Join us at Milton's Brewing (213 Mermod Street in Carlsbad) for a fun group book discussion about *Project Hail Mary*, by Andy Weir. An irresistible interstellar adventure tale of discovery, speculation, and survival.



TEENS

TEEN AFTER HOURS

High School Students ONLY

Sept. 24 • 6 p.m.

This month's theme is Stranger Things. We will have 80's dress up, waffle bar, and play some D&D.

TECH TIME

Middle School – 4 p.m.

Sept. 8, 15, 22, & 29

High School – 4 p.m.

Sept. 13, 20, 27

Students can participate in a variety of fun, educational and hands-on activities, including building challenges, science experiments and fun with various STEM toys.

KIDS

Pre-registration Required

BABY TIME

Ages 0 – 15 mo.

Sept. 6, 13, 20 & 27 • 10 a.m.

This class focuses on the interaction between baby and care-giver. Adults will learn a variety of bounces, songs, rhymes, finger plays, movement, and sign language to use at home to develop a baby's early literacy skills.

TODDLER TIME

Ages 16 mo. – 35 mo.

Sept. 7, 14, 21 & 28 • 10 a.m.

This class introduces toddlers to the love of books, songs, rhymes, finger plays, movement, and sign language. Toddlers must come with an adult who takes care of them.

PRESCHOOL STORYTIME

Ages 3 – 5 years

Sept. 8, 15, 22 & 29 • 10 a.m.

This storytime session and facilitated play encourages the development of young pre-reading skills through stories, songs, rhymes, and narrative.

STEM CLUB

1st - 5th grade

Sept. 17 • 2:00 p.m.

This club is designed to stimulate young minds and open the world of science, technology, engineering and mathematics. Each month we feature a different STEM project kit that participating students will get to keep. Sign-up, by calling 575.885.6776 or stop by the Circulation Desk at the library.

KIDS open activities,
no registration required

ELEMENTARY TECH TIME

Sept. 7, 14, 21, & 28 • 4 p.m.

Students can participate in a variety of fun, educational and hands-on activities with various STEM toys.

LEGO TIME

All Ages

Sept. 7, 14, 21, & 28 • 2 p.m.

Everyone is invited to attend this exciting come-and-go program. All LEGO bricks and supplies will be provided for self-directed play. ♦

TEENS

New events for teens
starting in October

TWEEN BOOK CLUB

Ages 8 – 11 years

Join your peers in reading discussing and enjoying new exciting, interesting and relevant books.

TEEN BOOK CLUB

Ages 12 – 18 years

Join your peers in reading and discussing new exciting, and interesting and books in this club designed just for Teens.

TEEN ADVISORY GROUP (TAG)

The teen advisory group offers an opportunity for students in grades 6 – 12 to have a voice in the library!

The Perks of Owning Your Own Library Card

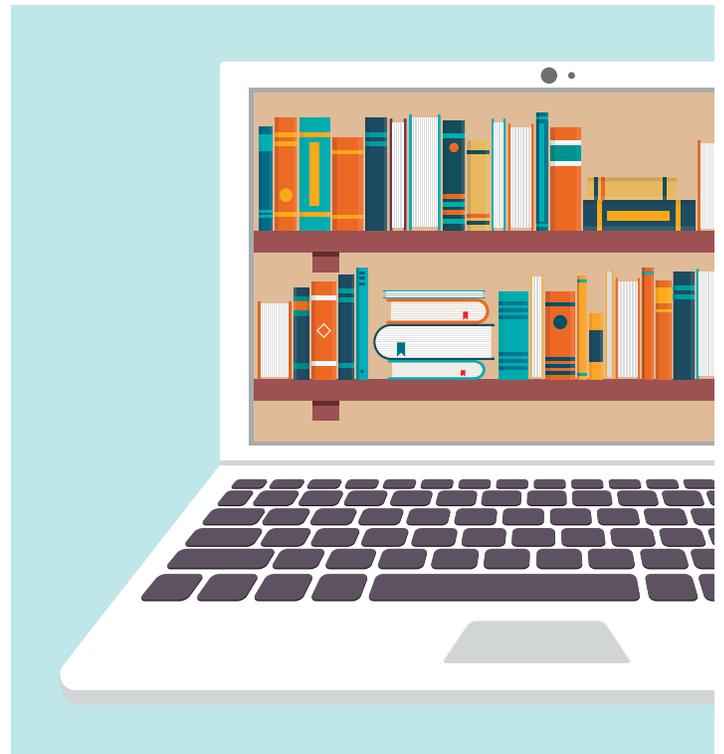
By Laura Hughes, Information Specialist

Before I was old enough to have a junior high school ID card or a driver's license, my very first ID card was a [drum-roll please] library card! I got my very first library card when I was about preschool age and I was so proud to be a library card-carrying holder. Of course, I needed to find a safe place to keep my card so I would not lose it. This is why our children's library card has a hole at the top of the card so a lanyard can clip onto it and be worn around the neck. I don't remember having that during my childhood in the 1980s. My mother probably had to put it in her wallet for safe-keeping.

The perks of owning a library card are countless. No monthly payments are required like a credit card. Library cards are like passports, except you don't have to leave the comfort of your home or pack luggage to carry. A library card allows you to check out print books, magazines, audiobooks, DVDs, and digital items. From the comfort of your home, you can gain access to our online catalog at carlsbad.biblionix.com. Our Library of Things Catalog includes STEM/ STEAM kits for children, puzzles for the whole family, and some

Wi-Fi hotspots (14-day borrowing limit). Not only will you find items that are in the library, you can also find digital items from Overdrive and plenty of electronic resources. Some of these electronic resources include: Biblioboard where you can find Carlsbad High School yearbooks dating as far back as 1950; Heritage Quest has census records to help you with family history research; you can learn a foreign language through Duolingo and Rosetta Stone; enjoy learning for fun or take continuing education classes through Universal Class; etc. With a library card, you can download Overdrive (Libby) and Hoopla to your mobile phone or other digital device (tablet) for FREE. With the Overdrive app, you can check out ebooks, emagazines, and audiobooks. Hoopla is a streaming app where you can watch movies, TV shows, read ebooks, and listen to audiobooks and music. You can check out a maximum number of seven items each month. Sometimes, there will be bonus borrows which do not count toward your checkout items on Hoopla.

But, first things first. Before you get a library card, you



need to have a driver's license or picture ID with your current address. If you are new to town and/or moving to another address, you need to bring a bill or insurance statement that shows your current address. For children under the age of 18, your parent or guardian needs to provide this information and sign up for a library card themselves. Every year, you will have your account renewed, but you don't need a new card. If your card gets lost, there is a \$1 replacement fee for a new card. If you are a temporary resident, you can have a card with digital only access. You can still search our electronic resources and check out digital items through Overdrive (Libby) and Hoopla.

After you have had your new account for 30 days and are in good standing, you can go from checking out only two items to checking out a maximum of 10 books, 5 DVDs, and 5 audiobooks. If you are looking for an item we do not have in our collection, you can request an Interlibrary Loan (ILL). We will do our best to find it through another library and loan it to you after you fill out an ILL agreement form and have had your account for 90 days.

With your library card, you will save some money on books, audiobooks, and movies that you would normally buy or rent if you did not have a library card. So come on down to the Carlsbad Public Library and sign up for a library card. ♦



KID'S CORNER



Make a Fun Library Card Holder

By Pam, pambarnhill.com



SUPPLIES

- Classic Soft Felt 9-Inch by 12-Inch, 25/Pkg-Primary Colors
- Kel-Toy Double Face Satin Ribbon, 1/4-Inch by 100-Yard, White

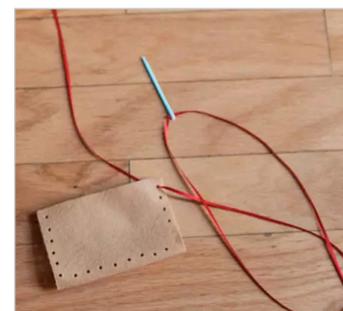
- We R Memory Keepers Crop-A-Dile Power Punch, 1/4-Inch
- Singer Large Eye Plastic Needles, 2-Count
- Stick-It Felt Shapes 68-Pack: Stars
- Sharpie Permanent Marker Fine Tip 8 Pack
- Scissors

DIRECTIONS



1. Use your library card to measure out the size of your pocket. The piece of felt you cut should be twice the height of your card plus 1/4 inch all around to allow for the seam. Our piece ended up being 4" wide by 6.5" tall. This would also be a great project for pinking shears.

sides, including the folded edge. Punching an even number of holes will allow you to start and end sewing from the back of the pouch. The felt will not punch cleanly, so use your scissors to carefully trim away the "dangling chads."



2. Fold your felt and match up the short edges. Use your heavy-duty hole punch to punch holes around three

3. Thread your plastic needle with 4ft of ribbon. Pull the ribbon through the first hole from back to front and leave about an 18-20" tail. This will be one side of your tie. Continue sewing around the holes with a straight stitch until you exit the final hole on the other side.

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What building has the most stories? ... The Library!

Guide to Reading with Your Littles



4. The ribbon does have a tendency to twist, so work with it to keep it straight based on your tolerance for twisted stitches. We didn't stress too much about it. Once you exit the final hole even up the two ties, size the length of the pouch to the wearer, tie a knot with your two cords, and trim off the excess ribbon. Now you can have fun decorating!



5. We like the easy-peasy peel and stick felt decorations, but the possibilities are endless. Puffy fabric paint, glitter glue, ribbon, buttons. You are only limited by your craft supplies and your imagination. We used the Sharpie to label ours with our names, slipped in our library cards, and we ready for our next trip to the library.

To learn more about this craft go to pambarnhill.com ♦



It may seem silly to read to babies. After all, they don't understand the words, the littlest ones try to eat the book, and the older ones can't sit still for more than a minute. We've all been there. It may seem pointless, but don't give up. Babies are learning from the experience, even if you can't see it yet.

Here are a few things your reading time is doing for your little ones, and tips to help build their pre-reading skills.

0-6 months

Start with chunky board books, soft fabric books, and vinyl bath books. Black and white or high color contrast books are great and help your little one see what is on the pages. Your baby may not understand the words you are saying when you read, but they enjoy your company

and the sound of your voice. By six months, babies will recognize the sounds of the language they hear, and will start babbling those sounds back to you. Have fun babbling back to them. They may recognize a book-sharing routine by calming, widening their eyes, smiling, and kicking. They will explore books with their senses by chewing and grabbing the books. When they lose interest, they will look away, arch their back, close their eyes, or cry, and you can take a break.

6-9 months

Start with short, simple stories and colorful illustrations. Board books are perfect for letting your baby explore the book. They will start opening and closing them, looking at them, and mouthing at them. By 9 months, you may notice

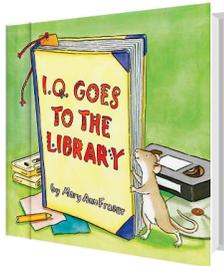
they seem to prefer or recognize certain stories or pictures. Babies will also read your gestures and facial expressions to help find the meaning of the story, so be expressive while you read.

9-18 months

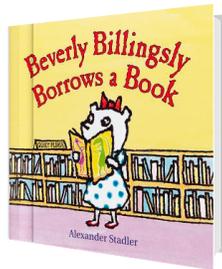
Offer board books with simple stories. This is a great time to start rhyming books and books with repeating phrases that catch your toddler's attention. This is also the perfect age for stories with pictures of other babies and familiar objects like animals. Pointing at the words on the page will help your baby see that you are reading the words, not the pictures. Your toddler may request their favorite books, and around 12 months old, you can start asking simple questions about the pictures like, "where is

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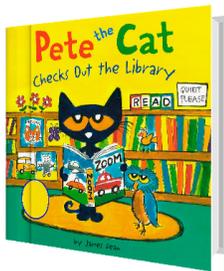
“Check out” These Books!



I.Q. goes to the Library, by Mary Ann Fraser. After going to the library with Mrs. Furber’s class every day of Library Week, I.Q., the class pet, hopes to take out a funny book with his own library card.



Beverly Billingsly borrows a book, by Alexander Stadler. Beverly is thrilled to finally check out a book with her own library card, but when she accidentally keeps the book too long she worries that she’ll have to pay a huge fine or go to jail.

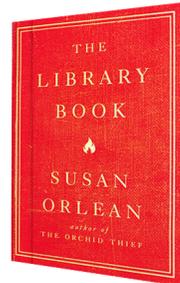


Pete the Cat checks out the Library, by James Dean. Join Pete the Cat as he visits a library for the first time, gets a library card, takes a fun tour, and reads some cool stories that take him on a few imaginative adventures



The forbidden library, by Django Wexler. When her father is lost at sea shortly after meeting a very unusual visitor, Alice must leave her home to live with an “uncle” whose

rural Pennsylvania estate includes a massive and mysterious library that holds much more than books.



The Library Book, by Susan Orlean. Orlean re-opens the unsolved mystery of the most catastrophic library fire in American history and delivers a love letter to the institution of libraries themselves

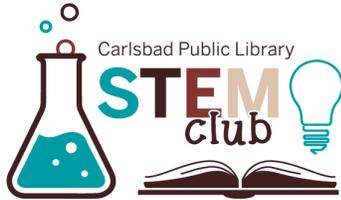


The library dragon, by Carmen Agra Deedy. Miss Lotta Scales is a dragon who believes her job is to protect the school’s library books from the children, but when she finally realizes that books are meant to be read, the dragon turns into Miss Lotty, librarian and storyteller. ♦



Brews & Books

September 21 @ 6:30 p.m.
Milton’s Brewing - 213 Mermod St



Carlsbad Public Library
STEM club

imagine the possibilities
For kids in 1st - 5th grade




Next meeting September 17 @ 2 p.m.
pre-register at the circulation desk or call 575.885.6776



Looking for Digital?

Digital Reading

Not a big fan of physical books? We have several online resources that have eBooks and audiobooks you can borrow, all from your own device! Take your reading on-the-go, and never have to worry about dropping by the library to return your materials.

- Hoopla
- Overdrive
- Tumblebooks

Databases Galore

With your library card, you have access to the Carlsbad Public Library's collection of databases, which includes language learning, such as Rosetta Stone, news, educational resources, auto repair handbooks, heritage research, an electronic reference collection and so much more. Ask an employee at the Information Desk if you'd like to know more. ♦

September is ALA Library Card Sign-Up Month



The American Library Association (ALA) declared September as National Library Card Sign-Up Month in 1988, following Secretary of Education William Bennett's challenge issued in 1987, "Let's have a national campaign. Every child should obtain a library card—and use it."

Library cards are one of the most important tools you can give someone. With the extended access you can get with a library card, allowing the borrowing of books, movies, and other materials, you are giving a person the

ability to access infinite knowledge on their terms. Now you don't have to go to the library every day to pour over that interview guide; you can take it home and study when the library is closed, providing the best level of preparedness you can have.

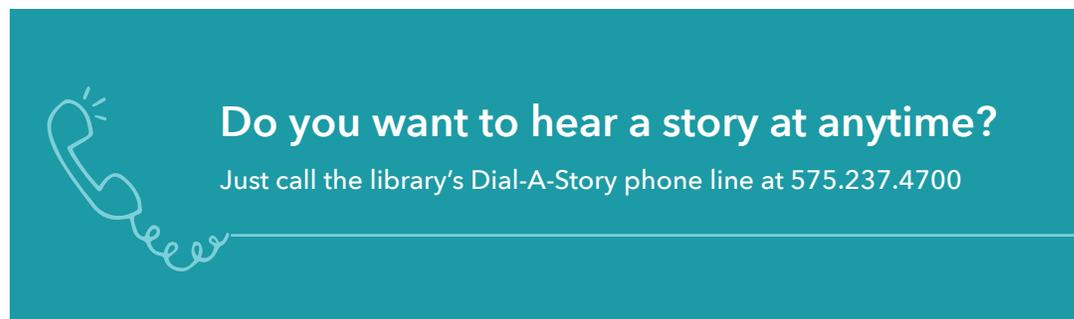
The mysteries in those Agatha Christie novels aren't going to be revealed unless you read them, and now you can cozy up at home with a hot cup of tea as you find out who committed the crime. You also can save money by borrowing instead of copying recipe

pages out of cookbooks, and it's much cheaper to let your kids zoom through book series than it is to buy their latest book craze.

Library cards are a revolutionary tool in an age where nearly everything costs money. Here at the Carlsbad Public Library, we believe in unlimited access to information and knowledge, not subscription costs and fees. As such, signing up for a library card will always be free.

Come to the library today to get your card if you don't have one already, or renew your account if it's been a while since you've been here. When you sign up, you'll be able to check out 2 of any material, but after a couple of weeks, you'll be able to check out 10 books, 5 audiobooks, and 5 DVDs.

Get more information and official contest rules on the ALA [website](#). Promotion ends Sept. 23, 2022. ♦



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the ball?" This is a great age to start looking at shapes because later, children will identify letters by the shapes that make them.

18-24 months

Introduce longer stories with more plot. Children especially enjoy humor, so try silly rhyming books. You can also start paper books with close supervision. This age loves to move, and it is okay if they run away or can't sit still. If you keep reading, they will listen, and may come back to hear more. Trying books that give instructions to move will motivate them to listen to the story. Your toddler might also be able to label objects with simple words or sounds, like saying "moo!" when they see a cow on the page. Try pausing before a repeating line or phrase and see if they will say it. Let them use their independence and turn the pages for you. Take plenty of time to stop, discuss what is happening, and ask questions. Interaction helps build your toddler's thinking and language skills.

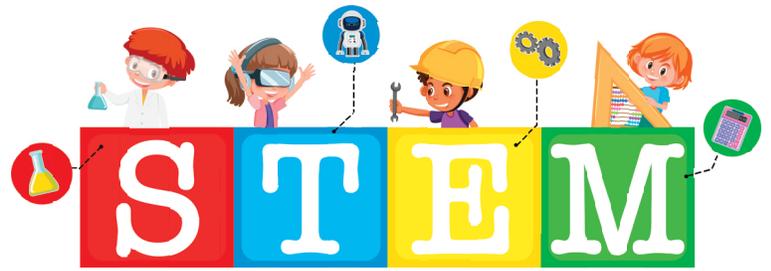
24-36 months

Two-year-olds may be ready for books with paper pages and engaging plots.

Look for books with humor, rhymes, and great illustrations. They are also trying to figure out how the world works, so also look for nonfiction books about vehicles, animals, careers, and the world around them. Books with rich vocabulary are great, and will help your two-year-old expand their vocabulary. Singing and clapping words in the book help children hear the smaller parts of the word since they break it down by syllable, and will help them sound out words when they are reading later.

3-5 years

These kids are getting ready to start reading. Preschoolers love silly words. Try making up nonsense words and rhymes together. Focus on reading books about your child's interests. Most of your child's attention when reading is on the picture, so talk about and point to the words on the page as you read them to help children learn to connect the written word and the meaning of the word. Outside of reading, practice identifying letters. Once your child learns the alphabet, you can start with phonics books and sight words to get them ready for kindergarten. ♦



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on skills learned in Baby Time with a focus on rhyming and movement. **Preschool Story Time** is for 3-5 year olds and will include reading, stories, music, crafts, and STEM activities.

In addition to our early literacy programs, we also partnered with **1000 Books Before Kindergarten** to challenge parents to read 1000 books to their children to help prepare them to enter kindergarten. Please visit us to get a fillable reading sheet to keep track of your books, as well as suggested authors and early literacy moments to support your child.

For school age children, we are focusing on expanding literacy and numeracy skills by exploring interests. In addition to the monthly **STEM Club** for 1-5th graders, we are adding **STEM Spelunking**, a program in partnership with the Carlsbad Caverns. On the first Tuesday of every month, rangers from the caverns will be in the library leading hands-on STEM activities for students from kindergarten up.

We will also be utilizing our new STEM Lab with **Tech Time**. In these sessions, students will work to complete a challenge using materials from the STEM Lab. These are divided by school level- elementary, middle, and high school.

For teens and tweens, we have several new programs starting in October, including a monthly **Tween Book Club** for 8-11 year olds, **Teen Book Club** for 12-18 year olds, and **Teen Advisory Group** for middle and high school students. We will also hold **Teen Anime Club** for middle and high school students every other Saturday following our D&D group.

High school students get to have their own fun with **Teen Life Skills** and **Teen After-Hours**, where high schoolers are locked in the library for after-hours fun. September's After Hours theme is Stranger Things, and will include a waffle bar, 80's dress-up, and D&D session.

We will still have **LEGO Time** for kids of all ages, Wednesdays at 2 ♦

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written but if we know there is a demand for it we can buy it. We will never know there is a demand for an item if it is never asked for.

Putting in a request does not guarantee the item will be purchased. But that does not mean you are out of luck. We have the Interlibrary Loan System (ILL). If the item you want is new you might have to wait a few months before requesting it. But older items usually only take two weeks to get. We can get items from libraries all over the country. Chances are that one of the libraries in our system will have what you are looking for or something similar.

Still need other ways to find what you are looking for? Check out our databases. We offer a variety of databases from eBooks, magazines, movies, foreign language, and even academic content. Stop by today to learn how to use the databases. One quick stop at the information desk and they can show you the ins and outs. All of our databases are on-line and can be used 24-7 even from home in your pajamas.

Did you know that we have legal forms? We offer many forms to help you with legal matters, along with legal resources in the state that can help with the process.

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**BOOKS BEFORE
KINDERGARTEN**

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**BLAST OFF AND BEGIN
THE CHALLENGE!**

**START YOUR CHILDREN ON THE RIGHT
TRACK BY READING 1000 BOOKS
BEFORE KINDERGARTEN**

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**SPEAK TO THE CHILDREN'S
LIBRARIAN FOR MORE INFO**

Do you like to create things? Try one of our monthly craft kits. We offer different activities each month you can create by yourself or with your family.

Do you have an idea for a class that has not been offered? Do you have a special interest that you would like to share or know someone who has knowledge of an unusual or interesting subject or fact? If you can answer yes to any of these questions please let us know. We are always looking for new classes and new instructors.

Now that you know about all these services, have you found what you are looking for?

Maybe the answer is no. Or is the problem that you do not know what you are looking for, or want something new but not sure what that is?

That's OK we can still help you discover what that is. Staff at either service desk will take the time to recommend something just for you. We will listen and ask questions to find out what you like, don't like, and what you are looking for.

Anything from "Fifty Shades of Grey" to the next hit young adult novel we can help you find. We respect your taste and privacy and never judge people for their interests. Believe me when I say we have seen and

heard it all and most likely we have already read it.

For all of these services all you need is a library card. Stop by the library today to get -signed up. Can't make it in person to the library? We can still help over the phone or on-line. You can even sign up for a digital library card on-line.

Contact us anytime by email, phone, or in person. ♦

