

April 11, 2024

Happy Spring to our Ridgway Library Patrons,

I hope everyone is enjoying the longer, warmer days of springtime. In February and March, the library hosted our 1st Adult Bingo Challenge. We appreciated everyone who signed up and gave it a try. Congratulations to 11 patrons who made BINGO BLACKOUTS and everyone else who enjoyed reading and listening to new genres. Turn in your BINGO sheets with any amount completed to the front desk for a participation prize during the month of April.

As we gear up for spring time, the library staff and volunteers are busy processing seed packets for the Seed Library for you to sign out and plant in your gardens. We hosted a seed class earlier this spring and another class called 'How to grow wildflowers in your garden' will be led by local author Mary Menz on May 11th. If you are interested <u>click here</u> to learn more.

The library is conducting a community survey between April 11th-30th to receive your feedback. Please <u>follow the link</u> to receive more information and take the survey.

Other exciting news for those of you who are Instagram users. We now have an active account for you to follow. Our Instagram handle is ridgwaycolibrary or you can <u>click here to go to our Instagram page</u>. We look forward to seeing you there!

Do not forget if you like reading the New York Times you have free accessibility through our library consortium, whether you are at the library or at home you can receive a 24-hour access code to log in and read. <u>Click here</u> and follow the steps.

Thank you to our current artists, Leah Cerise, Joan Gibson-Bevier and Sonja Kongard for a lovely reception last month and sharing your art work with the community. Our next art show reception with The Wednesday Women will be Saturday May 11th from 4pm-7pm. Our full art show schedule for 2024 can be found on our website <u>click here</u>.

For those of you with children and already thinking about summer please know we will have our summer reading program and reading challenges for them. We will have events posted to our website and other sites for you to get information next month. Our first summer reading program will be on Thursday June 6th from 11:00-12:00. We will continue all our regular programing through the summer and if we have additional activities or changes in the schedule, we will let you know. The reading challenge for ages 9 & under can sign up beginning Monday, May 20th. The official summer reading challenge start date for children, tweens and teens will be Monday June 3rd. For participants 10 & up, you will not need to sign up prior to the start date.

Happy Reading,

Amy Baer, Director