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April Newsletter



The Bell Bulletin

Which Came First...The Bunny or the Egg??

The exact origins of this mythical mammal are unclear, but rabbits, known to be prolific procreators, are an ancient symbol of fertility and new life. According to some sources, the Easter bunny first arrived in America in the 1700s with German immigrants who settled in Pennsylvania and transported their tradition of an egg-laying hare

called "Osterhase" or "Oschter Haws." Their children made nests in which this creature could lay its colored eggs. Eventually, the custom spread across the U.S. and the fabled rabbit's Easter morning deliveries expanded to include chocolate and other types of candy and gifts, while decorated baskets replaced nests. Additionally, children often left out carrots for the bunny in case he got hungry from all his hopping.

Decorating eggs for Easter is a tradition that dates back to at least the 13th century, according to some sources. One explanation for this custom is that eggs were formerly a forbidden food during the

Lenten season, so people would paint and decorate them to mark the end of the period of penance and fasting, then eat them on Easter as a celebration. Easter egg hunts and egg rolling are two popular egg-related traditions. In the U.S., the White House Easter Egg Roll, a race in which children push decorated, hard-boiled eggs across the White House lawn, is an annual event held the Monday after Easter. The first official White House egg roll occurred in 1878, when Rutherford B. Hayes was president.

<http://www.history.com/topics/holidays/easter-symbols#>

Hours

Monday-Thursday

9:00am-7:00pm

Friday-Saturday

9:00am-5:00pm

Sunday

1:00pm-5:00pm

(Closed Sundays June-August)

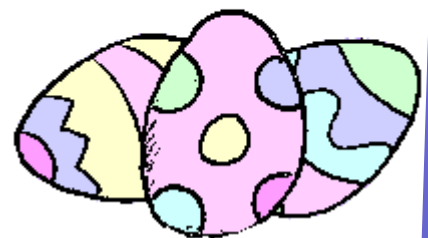
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The largest Easter egg ever made was over 25 feet high and weighed over 8,000 pounds. It was built out of chocolate and marshmallow and supported by an internal steel frame.



NEW GARDEN ARTS CLUB

Teen/YA Program Coordinator Sierra Navarro will be starting a new club for adults. The Garden Arts Club is for those who wish to express themselves through art and nature. On the front desk you

will see displayed pictures frames containing an artistic display of beautiful, dried weeds. This monthly club will run from April to November. We will meet once a month to make something out of nature. If you are interested please email Sierra

at snavarro@bell.lib.in.us or stop in and let her or one of the library staff know! The first gathering will be Friday, April 28 from 1:00-3:00pm.



Bird's Nests

INGREDIENTS

- 4 cups chow mein noodles
- 3 cups miniature marshmallows
- 3 tablespoons butter
- 30 small jellybeans



DIRECTIONS

1. Line a cookie sheet with foil and grease with spray-on cooking oil.
2. Pour noodles into a large bowl. Melt the butter and marshmallows over medium heat, stirring until smooth. Pour marshmallow mixture over noodles, stirring until well coated.
3. Rub some butter on hands and form noodle mixture into six round balls. Place

balls on prepared cookie sheet. With the back of a teaspoon, press the center of each ball to make a hollow indentation.

4. Let nests set until they are firm. Fill each with small jelly beans. (Other small candies of your choice may be substituted, such as M & M's, small gumdrops, chocolate covered raisins, chocolate covered peanuts, etc.)

KID'S BLOCK

Sun., April 2 1:00pm: Movie-Sing



Every Wed. @ 3pm: Story Time

Sat., April 15 1:00-3:00pm Lego Club



Sat., April 22 @ 10:00am Kids Krafts



EASTER EGG HUNT

April 13 4:30-5:30 pm TEENS (13-17)

April 13 5:30-6:30pm YOUNG ADULTS (18-30)

April 29 1:00-3:00pm ADULTS (31 and up)



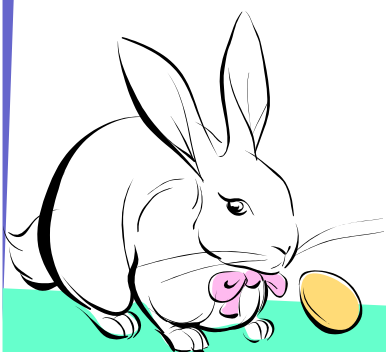
National Library
Week will be
observed
April 9-15 with the
theme, "Libraries
Transform."

Importance of Libraries

Libraries are important cornerstones of a healthy community. Libraries give people the opportunity to find jobs, explore medical research, experience new ideas, get lost in wonderful stories, while at the same time providing a sense of place for gathering.

Libraries reflect the diversity and character, and the needs and expectations of our community. Those needs and expectations are often extensive, and the services invaluable.

Libraries are often the only readily available source of comprehensive information needed by people for personal, family and job-related purposes. Our community's economy benefits when business people use library resources to make wise business decisions, employees use it to improve job skills, or the disadvantaged use it to help break the cycle of poverty. During economic hardship, our citizens turn to and depend on the library.



Do you remember when...??

April 3, 1974

That day, 43 years ago, was the one of the worst super outbreaks in US History with one of the strongest tornadoes ripping 109 miles through Northern Indiana, including the city of Talma in its path.



April 11, 1965

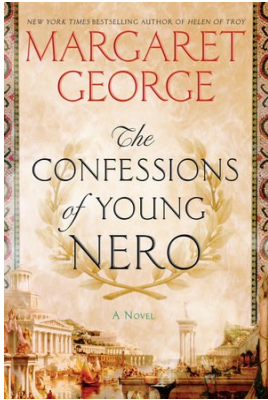
Palm Sunday Outbreak

47 tornadoes confirmed throughout the Midwest. This was the fourth deadliest tornado outbreak in U.S. history and the deadliest of all Indiana outbreaks.

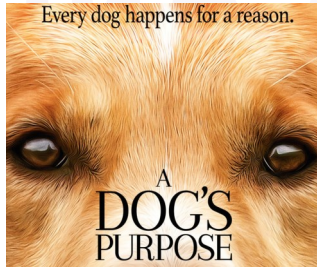


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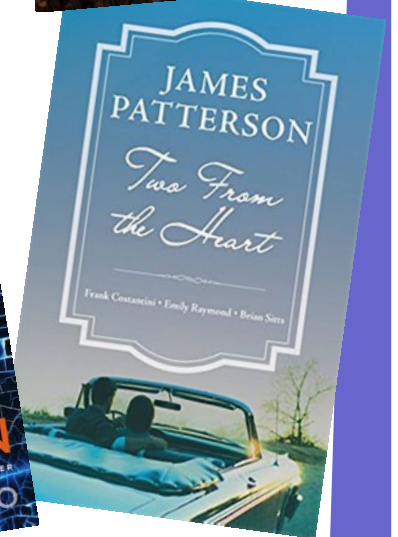
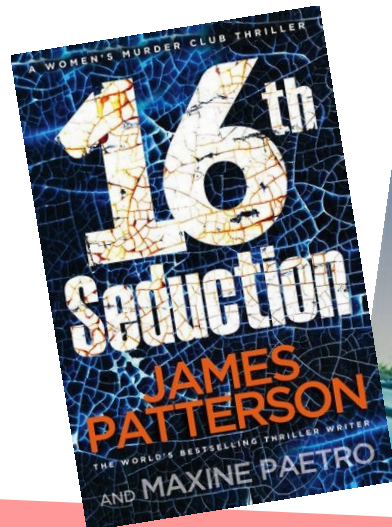
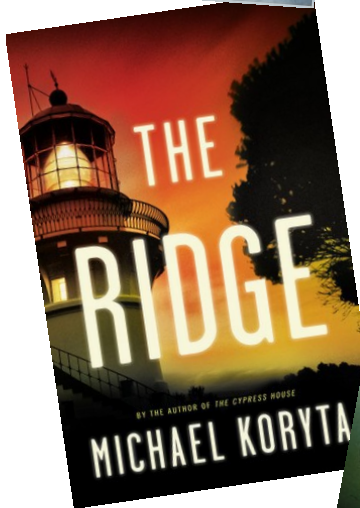
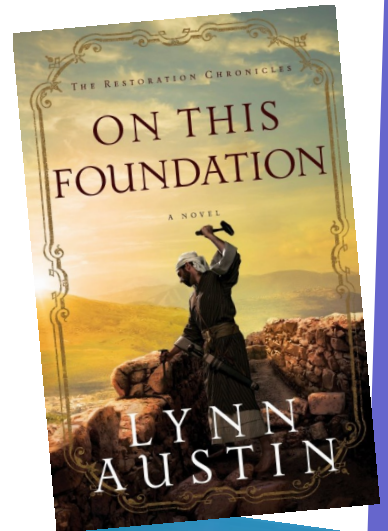
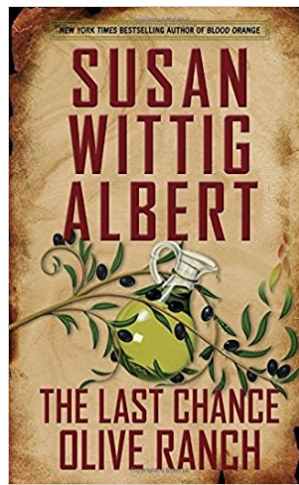
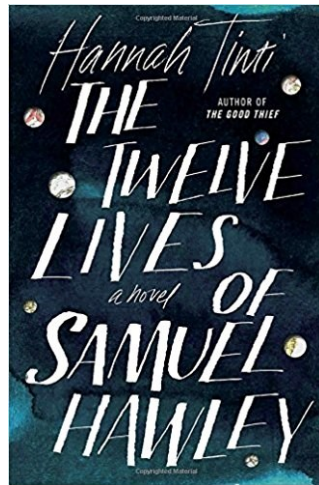
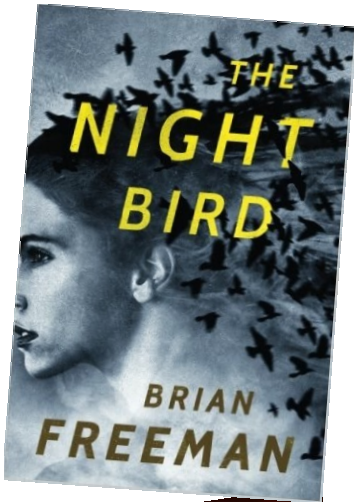
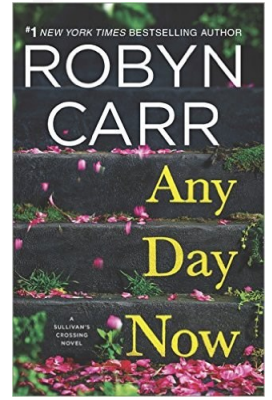
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APRIL SHOWERS BRING MAY FLOWERS



April 2017

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
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| | | | | | | 1 APRIL FOOL'S DAY |
| 2 Children's Movie-SING 1:00pm | 3 | 4 | 5 Story Time 3pm | 6 | 7 | 8 |
| 9 | 10 Movie- JACKIE 1:00pm | 11 Adult Craft (\$5) Tea & Canvas 5:00-7:00pm | 12 Story Time 3pm | 13 Teen Easter Egg Hunt 4:30-6:30pm | 14 | 15 Lego Club 1-3pm |
| 16 EASTER | 17 | 18 Teen Craft (\$2) Dreamcatcher 5:00-7:00pm | 19 Story Time 3pm | 20 Anime Movie Night-TEENS 5:00-7:00pm | 21 | 22 Kids Krafts 10am |
| 23/30 | 24 Euchre 6pm Lib. Board Mt. 6:30pm | 25 | 26 Story Time 3pm | 27 | 28 Garden Arts Club 1-3pm | 29 Adult Easter Egg Hunt 1-3pm |