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New Spaces and Civic Conversations

Welcome to the winter/spring issue of Gatherings. In 2018, we celebrate the opening of new library spaces, while convening conversations on some important issues of the day.

Responding to community feedback documenting the need for a branch library location, we happily announce the opening of a new library space (see page 3). You’ve told us you’d like easier library access on days when downtown is busy. The Twig will be a convenient service open to all.

After years of planning and two months of construction, the newly-renovated second floor is open and ready to serve you for years to come. Tour this functional new design, and you’ll discover the Makerspace (pages 6-7). These new spaces, including the mini-branch, were made possible through the generosity of the Library Friends & Foundation.

Community conversations, civic dialogue, and lifelong learning are all well-suited to a public library’s neutral setting. This season, as part of a prestigious national grant, we host a series of programs on media and news literacy. Please join us for these educational and nonpartisan forums.

We offer our tremendous gratitude to the Estes Valley Fund of the Community Foundation of Northern Colorado for bringing this issue of Gatherings to Library patrons and to your mailbox. Their generosity allows us to inform you of these exciting opportunities. Here’s to 2018! As ever, it remains our goal—and our joy—to provide high quality library services for our busy, engaged mountain villagers.

Sincerely,
Claudine Perrault
Library Director
Want to get a library book, but don’t want to navigate downtown traffic?

Now you have a new option!

We call it "The Twig"

It has the benefits of a library branch, though just a bit smaller

The self-serve Estes Valley Library location — inside the new Estes Valley Community Center at 660 Community Drive

At the Twig mini-branch, you can:
• Return library materials at a drive-up book drop
• Pick up and check out items you’ve requested
• Search the library catalog and place holds
• View library information and upcoming events

The Twig is free and open to all. You don’t have to be a user of recreation services to access this convenient new library location.

Made possible by the Library Friends & Foundation
Fake news? Click-bait websites? “Bot” armies? Paid online trolls? Today, Americans wonder: can we really trust the news we receive in this day and age?

The Estes Valley Library has been selected as one of only five libraries in the entire U.S. to be a participant in the Media Literacy @ Your Library project. Through this national grant, we are convening community conversations and offering workshops to help us all become better and wiser navigators of both today’s social media and traditional news outlets.

**Fake News 101: To Believe or Not to Believe**

*Monday, February 5*

Is “fake news” a new phenomenon, or something with a long history? What are the values that drive traditional news? What is the impact of today’s social media on news quality—and is “fake news” really shaping public opinion?

Join us for our featured speaker event, with special guest Dr. Elizabeth Skewes, author of *Message Control: How News is Made on the Presidential Campaign Trail*. Dr. Skewes will lead a presentation, then take your questions afterward.

**A Panel Discussion on Today’s Media**

*Thursday, March 8*

What are the challenges in delivering accurate information to large numbers of people? How are the traditional challenges complicated by the expansion of news outlets and social media?

Join us for a panel of local and regional experts. Dr. Lynn Schofield Clark, author of *Young People and the Future of News* is joined by Erin O’Toole, Assistant News Director at KUNC, Mike Romero, publisher of the *Estes Park Trail-Gazette*, and Kate Rusch, Town of Estes Park Public Information Officer.

**Fake News Online: To “Share” or Not to “Share”**

*Monday, March 19*

Diana Laughlin, Tech Librarian, continues our community conversation about the news. According to a Pew Research Center 2016 study, 62% of U.S. adults get news on social media. Sharing articles—especially stories which create a strong reaction—are the breeding ground of fake news.

Learn why it’s more difficult than ever to discriminate between news, opinion, entertainment, and advertising and how filter bubbles present information biased towards one’s own beliefs. Bring your own device or computer to this hands on class or borrow a library laptop.
Library Movie Night

**Good Night, And Good Luck**

*Tuesday 10 April*

7 PM, REEL MOUNTAIN THEATER, STANLEY VILLAGE

This acclaimed film is about a turning point in the media that also helped force a turning point in history. Based on the life of Edward R. Murrow, and interspersing documentary footage, the story takes us to 1953, as journalists take dangerous risks to expose the chicanery of McCarthy era tactics.

**Show your library card for free admission!**

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**Fighting Fake News: Resources Online**

Check the News Literacy page at estesvalleylibrary.org for these online news resources.

**America’s News**

A database containing U.S. news content from local, regional, and national sources: print and online newspapers, blogs, newswires, broadcast transcripts, and videos. Explore a specific issue or event through detailed coverage and compare a wide variety of viewpoints from across the country.

**Take an Online Class**

**History’s Greatest Conspiracies**

In this free eleven-lesson online course, explore whether some of history’s greatest conspiracies really occurred, or whether they were planned by a small group of people with a secret agenda. Topics include: the NASA Moon Landing, the JFK assassination, the horrific Tuskegee experiments, top secret government programs, and even the Loch Ness Monster.

**This and other online courses available through the Library and Universal Class.**

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"Media Literacy @ Your Library" is a project of ALA in collaboration with the Center for News Literacy @ Stony Brook University, supported by the Knight Prototype Fund on Accurate Information, an initiative of the John S. and James L. Knight Foundation, the Democracy Fund and the Rita Allen Foundation, which aimed to address concerns about the spread of misinformation and build trust in news.

For further information on the Media Literacy project, contact project team members Diana Laughlin or Kurtis Kelly at dlaughlin@estesvalleylibrary.org or kkelly@estesvalleylibrary.org, or call (970) 586-8116, ext. 834
Visit Your Comfortable New Spaces

Introducing the Makerspace

Residents of the Estes valley are creative, artistic, inventive, and innovative.

Now you have a special place to be all of those things.

We Need Your Ideas
What are your priorities for the Makerspace?

What types of activities would you like to see in this new space. Crafts? Technology? Hands-on creativity? Tools to build and repair? “Lost arts” that you’d like to rediscover? Don’t be afraid to dream big!

Look for the Makerspace Survey now available at estesvalleylibrary.org
Now through March 15
Soldering is the process of joining two metals together to create a permanent connection of electronic components. We’ll solder a small circuit board project and learn to repair broken wires. “Chip level” repairs on circuit boards won’t be covered in this class. All supplies are provided. If you have a basic soldering repair project, feel free to bring it and we’ll help if we have time. Learn a new repair skill every other month at the library’s Makerspace. Ages 13 to infinity.

**Soldering: Learn to Repair Electronics**

**Monday, 12 February**

5:30 PM – 6:30 PM, MAKERSPACE

Soldering is the process of joining two metals together to create a permanent connection of electronic components. We’ll solder a small circuit board project and learn to repair broken wires. “Chip level” repairs on circuit boards won’t be covered in this class. All supplies are provided. If you have a basic soldering repair project, feel free to bring it and we’ll help if we have time. Learn a new repair skill every other month at the library’s Makerspace. Ages 13 to infinity.

**Bicycles: Tuneup Tips**

**Monday, 23 April**

5:30 PM – 6:30 PM, HONDIUS ROOM

Celebrate Earth Day by prepping your bicycle for spring riding. We’ll fix a flat tire and clean & lube a chain. All supplies are provided. If you have a repair project on your bicycle, feel free to bring it and we’ll help if we have time. Learn a new repair skill every other month at the library’s Makerspace. Ages 13 to infinity.

**3D Models and Printing**

**Friday, 9 March**

5:30 - 7:30 PM, MAKERSPACE

How does a 3D printer know what to print? Learn the basics of the modeling program Fusion 360 and create a unique game piece (think Monopoly house) on the Library’s 3D printer. Intermediate level; no 3D modeling experience required. Ages 13 to infinity.

**Interactive Electronics with Arduino**

**Wednesday, 2 May**

6 PM – 8 PM, MAKERSPACE

You can learn to code and build electronic circuits! Arduino is a popular platform for making interactive creations. We’ll learn about key concepts like inputs and outputs, circuits, and programming as we build a fun Simple Simon memory game from the ground up. Attendees will need intermediate to advanced desktop computer skills, but no previous programming or electronics experience is required. Ages 13 to infinity.

For more information about Makerspace programs and resources, contact IT Specialist Allison Cavis at acavis@estesvalleylibrary.org, or call (970) 586-8116, ext. 822
**TECH LITERACY**

*You asked us for:* opportunities to attain technical skills to ensure that everyone can take advantage of our expanding online resources and technology marketplace.

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**Tech Express**

**WEDNESDAYS**  
**FEBRUARY 7 | MARCH 14**  
**APRIL 11 | MAY 9**

**4:30 – 6 PM, MAKERSPACE**

Drop in and ask a quick question about your phone, tablet, laptop, email, apps, or accounts.

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**Windows 10**

**FRIDAY**  
**FEBRUARY 16**

**10 AM – 11:30 AM, MAKERSPACE**

Get more familiar with Windows 10. Learn how to open applications, work with files in File Explorer, personalize your desktop and Start Menu, adjust settings, and update security. Bring your own Windows 10 computer or we'll have a library laptop for you to borrow. This class focuses on Windows 10 desktops and laptops. If you’re using a Windows 10 tablet computer with a touchscreen, some features are different and a Book-a-Librarian: Tech Assistance appointment would be a better time to learn about your device.

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**iPad & iPhone Basics**

**MONDAY**  
**MARCH 12**

**4:30 PM – 6 PM, WASSON BOARD ROOM**

An overview of the basics: connecting to the library’s Wi-Fi, searching the Internet, taking pictures and videos, using the App Store, sending messages, and adjusting settings to personalize your device. Bring your own iPad and/or iPhone.

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**Facebook: Connect with Friends & Protect Privacy**

**MONDAY**  
**APRIL 9**

**10 AM - 11:30 AM, MAKERSPACE**

Facebook connects us over long distances with our loved ones. Learn how to create and maintain a Facebook page, including understanding privacy settings. Bring your own mobile device or computer, or we’ll have a library laptop for you borrow.
Computers can break leaving you unable to access your important files and photos. Backing up to a flash drive or external hard drive is a good first step. Backing up to free Cloud Storage can be even better. On the Cloud, your work is password-protected, encrypted, and available on all your computers and devices from anywhere in the world with an internet connection. We’ll demonstrate Google Drive and the same skills will apply to Dropbox, OneDrive, and iCloud Drive. Library laptops will be provided for this class. Best for people with basic file management and internet skills.

Monday  
16 APRIL  
6 PM - 7:30 PM, MAKERSPACE

Using the Cloud  
To Back Up My Stuff

In this intermediate class, you’ll learn how to organize, store, and back up all of your photos in the cloud for free with Google Photos. Access them from your Android phone, iPhone, iPad, Android tablet, PC or Mac computer—your photos will be safe, secure, and always with you. This class requires a Google (Gmail) account. Bring your own mobile device/computer or we’ll have a laptop for you to borrow.

Monday  
7 MAY  
2 PM -3:30 PM, WASSON BOARD ROOM

Google Photos:  
Back Up and Free Up Space

Wednesday  
23 MAY  
10 AM -11:30 AM, WASSON BOARD ROOM

Digital Movies, Music, & TV Shows  
with hoopla

Learn how to borrow audiobooks, movies, music, comics, books, and television shows using our library’s subscription to hoopla. Bring your own Android, iOS (iPhone, iPad, iPod Touch), Kindle Fire, Windows PC laptop, or Macbook and your library card. hoopla is now available on Apple TV, Fire TV, Android TV, and Roku devices—you can stream movies and television directly onto your big screen! Apple TV also allows streaming of audiobooks and music.

For further information about Library Tech Literacy Services, contact Diana Laughlin at dlaughlin@estesvalleylibrary.org or (970) 586-8116, ext. 834.
You asked us for resources to identify and analyze risks, benefits, and alternatives before making decisions that affect your lives.

**Reading is Doctor Recommended**

**TUESDAYS 7 – 8:30PM, HONDIUS ROOM**

Join Chazz Glaze from the Salud Family Health Center for this monthly book discussion, delving into the latest reads on healthy living, food, and fitness.

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**Film: Vanishing of the Bees**

**March 27**

**Advance Directives Discovery Kit**

**Inside you'll find:**
- A notebook with basic information, sample forms, and how to have end-of-life care conversations with your loved ones.
- The DVD *Facing Your Fears: Straight Talk about the Dying Process*
- The book *Being Mortal* by Atul Gawande
- The book *When Breath Becomes Air* by Paul Kalanithi
- A stress ball and tea bag to stay relaxed

Now Available for a 3-Week Check-Out

**Atul Gawande**

**Being Mortal**

**Being Mortal Book Club**

**A 3-Part Series with the Larimer Advance Care Planning Team**

**THURSDAYS, 6:30 – 8 PM, HONDIUS ROOM**

**Join us for this 3 part series that takes an in-depth look at Atul Gawande’s title, Being Mortal. Gawande, a practicing surgeon, has fearlessly revealed the struggles of his profession.**

**March 15**

**March 22**

**March 29**

**Medicine has triumphed in modern times, but when it comes to the inescapable realities of aging and death, what medicine can do often runs counter to what it should do.**

A Program Success Story!

"What's Your Plan, Estes Park?" has connected with nearly 400 individuals in 2017 alone. Estes Park Medical Group patients with Advance Care Directives has increased 23% in just one year.

For further information about Health Literacy services and resources for Nonprofits, contact Cheryl Homan-Wendell at chomanwendell@estesvalleylibrary.org, or call (970) 586-8116, ext. 823
Estes Valley Library

BUILD SUCCESSFUL ENTERPRISES
Nonprofits and Tax Filers

EPNRC Lunch & Learn Roundtable

12 – 1:30 PM, HONDIUS ROOM

THURSDAYS
FEBRUARY 8 | MARCH 8
APRIL 12 | MAY 10

Lunch & Learn topics especially for nonprofit staff or board members. Bring your lunch and join in this lively roundtable.

Webinars for Nonprofits
co-hosted by the Estes Park Nonprofit Resource Center

Monday
26
FEBRUARY
10:30 AM – 12 PM, HONDIUS ROOM

Introduction to Fundraising Planning

Monday
26
MARCH
3:30 – 5 PM, HONDIUS ROOM

Introduction to Proposal Writing and Project Budgets

Monday
30
APRIL
10:30 AM – 12 PM, HONDIUS ROOM

Effective Program Development for the Start-Up or Younger Nonprofit

Monday
21
MAY
3:30 – 5 PM, HONDIUS ROOM

Messaging What Matters

For Tax Season 2018

Appointments now available for the AARP Tax Assistance Program.

This service is available to assist seniors and low to middle-income tax filers who have basic tax return needs. Reservations are being taken by visiting the Library or calling (970) 586-8116, ext. 3.
FEBRUARY:
Love and Lifelong Learning

Make Chocolate Valentine’s Candies
Friday 9 FEBRUARY
2 PM – 5 PM, MAKERSPACE
Just in time for Valentine’s Day, we welcome you to one of the inaugural events in our newest space. Meet us in the Makerspace room and create some lovely chocolates to take home to your sweetie. (Or save them for yourself. We won’t tell!)

Candy Science
Thursday 1 FEBRUARY
4 PM - 5 PM, HONDIUS ROOM
Do you like candy and science? Just for kids age 5 to 11, this program welcomes what happens when sweets meet the world of the laboratory. Special guest: Eric Hunt from Wild Child.

Make Your Own Valentine’s Cards
Friday 9 FEBRUARY
2 PM – 5 PM, LIBRARY ATRIUM
We’ll supply the paper and materials for you to create a handmade card. Surprise your loved one with an original greeting and design.

Don’t Miss the 2018 Love Your Local Authors Festival!
Saturday 10 FEBRUARY
1 PM – 3 PM, LIBRARY ATRIUM
Did you know that many published authors call the Estes Valley home? Come show your love for our talented hometown and regional writers. Learn the background behind their works and meet them in person. You’ll find some great books to add to your reading list.

Authors will give brief presentations of their writings, then everyone has the opportunity to meet and visit with the writers.
You asked us for: services to welcome new Americans and help them participate successfully in American life.

Want to practice your English? Come to our English Conversation Café!

¿Quieres practicar tu Inglés? ¡Ven a nuestras conversaciones de Inglés!

Mondays / Lunes
February / Febrero 5 - May / Mayo 28
7 - 8 PM, Bella Fortuna Building, 600 S St Vrain Ave

Bilingual Storytime & Family Nights ¡Nuevo en el 2018! Noches Familiares

Tuesdays/ Martes, 5:30 - 7:30 PM, Bella Fortuna Building, 600 S St Vrain Ave

February / Febrero
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March / Marzo
6
April / Abril
3

Bring your family and join us for a fun evening of stories and activities! Sponsored by EVICS.

Trae a toda tu familia y únete a nosotros para una noche de diversión. Patrocinado por EVICS

Family Nights Noches Familiares
April / Abril 3:
Ride the trolley to the library! ¡Pasea en el trolebús a la biblioteca!

Uno-a-Uno Tutoring Programa Uno-a-Uno

Uno-a-Uno is a one-on-one tutoring program for English language learners. If you would like to improve your English, or if you would like to volunteer as a tutor, please contact Aracely at athomas@estesvalleylibrary.org. Volunteers do not need to be bilingual.

Uno-a-uno es un programa diseñado para estudiantes que quieran aprender Inglés. Si deseas mejorar tu Inglés o deseas ser un tutor voluntario, por favor contacta a Aracely Thomas a athomas@estesvalleylibrary.org. Voluntarios no necesitan ser bilingües.

We welcome Aracely Thomas in a new role providing services for New Americans. Aracely has led conversation classes for English Language Learners, and has led bilingual storytimes for toddlers and parents, and helped us translate library information resources into Spanish.

Contact Aracely at athomas@estesvalleylibrary.org, or call (970) 586-8116, ext. 836

Le damos la bienvenida a Aracely Thomas en el nuevo desempeño como bibliotecaria de servicios para Nuevos Americanos. Aracely ha dirigido clases de conversación para estudiantes del idioma Inglés, y ha dirigido cuentacuentos bilingües para niños y padres.

Contacta Aracely a (970) 586-8116 x 836 o athomas@estesvalleylibrary.org.
You asked us to: create young readers by providing literary experiences for teens and tweens.

Youth In Action Meetings
MONDAYS 6 – 8 PM, HARPER ROOM | AGES 14-18 / GRADES 9-12

February 5
March 5
April 2
May 7

Join Youth in Action to get your voice heard and make a difference in your community. Learn about nonprofits, gain leadership skills, and create your own solutions to problems through a program that gives YOU the power.

Come to any session. Meet your friends and learn more. Dinner is provided at all sessions.

Babysitting 101
4 – 6 PM, MAKERSPACE

Take this course to learn all you need to know to feel confident and ready for summer babysitting jobs. This course is for youth ages 11 and up.

Young Chautauqua Performances
6:30 PM, FIREPLACE CORNER

March 16
March 17
April 13

Imagine inhabiting a character out of history, speaking in that person's words, and wearing period costumes. Watch for young performers bringing history alive this spring. The public is invited to attend as these young historian-performers present their monologues and answer audience questions. Sponsored by a donation to Library Friends & Foundation from the Katie Speer Estate.

Youth Meet Town Board Trustees
7 PM – 9 PM, WASSON ROOM

Monday 5 February

Local youth are invited to a meet-and-greet with current Town Trustees. Learn how decisions are made and why trustees choose to serve our community. Accompanying parents may attend, and youth are encouraged to bring their questions to guide the evening's format. Facilitated in partnership with the Estes Park League of Women Voters.

Trustee Candidate Forum for Youth
7 PM – 9 PM, HONDIUS ROOM

Wednesday 21 March

Calling all youth! Come to the Library and meet candidates running for the Estes Park Town Board of Trustees. Ask them questions and understand their position on the issues and why they are seeking the opportunity to serve our community. Facilitated in partnership with the Estes Park League of Women Voters.
Are you a student about to graduate High School, complete your GED, or an adult thinking of entering a new career field? If you are excited to continue your education but are wondering how to pay for it, come to this informative program. Representatives from the Education Opportunities Center (EOC), TRIO program for first generation college students, High School Counselors, and seasoned experts will be available to answer questions and share resources about FAFSA (Free Application for Student Aid) and more. Join us to see what programs you may be eligible for and start your future TODAY!

Ease the anxiety of preparing for college by making a plan. Get the information you need on topics such as applications, FAFSA, paying for college, college choice, and testing. Create a timeline and gain access to resources from college readiness experts.

Led by longtime college administrator Kaye Orten, recently retired from the University of Colorado at Denver, and by Estes Park High School Counselor Hannah Heckerson, who holds a Master's Degree in Counseling and Career Development.

Visit the Calendar at estesvalleylibrary.org and schedule your personal session with Kaye Orten, retired administrator in higher education. Ask questions, learn about college admissions, and get the details you and your family need to get your Teen to college.

Your college planning expert: Kaye Orten is a longtime university administrator, recently with the University of Colorado at Denver. Kaye has great insights in how to draft successful college applications.
You asked us for: youth programs to enrich language development and support parents with resources so that children enter school better equipped to read, listen and learn.

### Storytimes

#### Storytime

**Thursdays, Fridays, and Saturdays**  
10:30 AM, HONDIUS ROOM  
No sign up needed. Check the Library’s online calendar.

Join youth librarians for 30 minutes of stories shared through books, storyboard and puppets. Storytime is designed to look like play while teaching pre-reading skills and encouraging the love of books and learning. No sign up needed.

#### Baby Storytime

**Thursdays & Fridays, 10 AM, HONDIUS ROOM**

#### Early Childhood Music Workshop

**Ages 0-6**  
February 1, 2, 15, 16  
March 8, 9, 15, 16  
April 5, 6, 19, 20  
May 3, 4, 17, 18  
11:00 - 11:30 AM, HONDIUS ROOM

Join Music Therapist Nancy Bell for 30 minutes of hands-on music and fun. Music plays an important role in brain development, especially when it’s hands-on. No sign up needed.

### Early Literacy Youth and Family Programs

#### Bilingual Storytime and Family Nights

**TUESDAYS, 5:30 - 7:30 PM, BELLA FORTUNA BUILDING, 600 S ST VRAIN AVE**

**February 6**  
**March 6**  
**April 3**

*Bring the family and join us for stories in English and Spanish. Co-sponsored by EVICS (Estes Valley Childhood Success).*  
*Trae a toda tu familia y únete a nosotros para una noche de diversión. Patrocinado por EVICS.*

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**Thursday 1 FEBRUARY**

**Paul Mesner Puppet Theater**

**Presents: Dinosaur Show**

10:10 AM – 12:45 PM, ELEMENTARY SCHOOL GYM

Make no bones about it - The Dinosaur Show is sure to tickle your funny bone and stimulate your imagination. Mesner Puppet Theater reaches into the past using hand, rod, shadow and body puppets to bring this prehistoric tale to life. Join paleontologist Dr. Dino Sawyer in exploring scientific theories (as well as some improbable ones) that explain what was and what might have been in the Age of the Dinosaurs. Sponsored by a donation to the Library Friends & Foundation from Families for Estes. Homeschoolers are also encouraged to attend.

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**Saturday 7 APRIL**

**Be Ready Fair:**

**School Readiness for 0-5 Year Olds**

9 AM – 12 PM, ELEMENTARY SCHOOL GYM

What does your child need in order to be prepared for success in school? It's more than just ABCs...and it begins at birth! Come for hands-on activities, freebies, and the unveiling of the One Book 4 Colorado all-state book title for kids.

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**Friday 27 APRIL**

**Estes Park Mountain Festival**

8 AM – 3 PM, ESTES PARK EVENTS CENTER

Visit the Library table at the Mountain Festival, which celebrates Earth Day and Arbor Day and all aspects of Mountain Culture: the sciences, health and wellness, our cultural heritage and more.

**On Friday:**  
Science-themed music by Jeff and Paige  
Book Swap Table  
**Both days:** Library craft activities

For more information about early and school-age literacy, contact Melanie Kozlowski and Apelles Morales at youthservices@estesvalleylibrary.org, or call (970) 586-8116, ext. 812
# Kids Saturday Book Club

**Elementary Ages | Saturdays, 2 - 3:30 PM, Hondius Room**

- **February 17**  
  *Case of the Weird Blue Chicken*  
  The Chicken Squad is back for its second adventure. Business is booming for Dirt, Sugar, Sweetie, and Poppy.

- **March 17**  
  *Magic Tree House: Earthquake in the Early Morning*  
  Jack and Annie are sent to San Francisco, where they get caught in an earthquake. As they try to help those around them, they delve into a mystery.

**Space is limited - Register on the Library’s Online Calendar**

**After-School Programs @ the Library**

**Ages 5 - 11 (Currently in K - 5th Grade)**  
**Thursdays, 4 - 5 PM, Hondius Room**

**Space is limited - Register on the Library’s Online Calendar**

- **February 1**  
  *Candy Science*  
  Do you like candy and science? Let’s mix the two and see what happens. Join Eric Hunt from Wild Child on this candy science fun at the library.

- **March 20**  
  *Three Little Pig Science*  
  Can the big bad wolf blow down your house? Join us in this STEM challenge. Select a pig and try to make a house sustain a mighty wind.

- **April 5**  
  *Bees and Honey*  
  Bees are fascinating creatures. And they provide a vital part of our wellbeing by pollinating our flowers, fruits and vegetables. Learn more as we explore the science of bees and appreciate their many amazing attributes.

- **May 3**  
  *Star Wars: Jedi Academy*  
  Get your Jedi on and join us for Star Wars-themed activities, just one day before we say, “May the Fourth be with you!”

- **June 7**  
  *Try-It Tuesday: Star Wars Science*  
  Join us for even more Star Wars-themed fun with experiments and activities.

- **June 21**  
  *Try-It Tuesday: Star Wars Science*  
  More Star Wars science fun with experiments and activities.

**Try-It Tuesday**

**Ages 5 - 11 (Currently in K - 5th Grade)**  
**Tuesdays, 4 - 5 PM, Hondius Room**

**Space is limited - Register on the Library’s Online Calendar**

- **February 20**  
  *Building with LEGOs*  
  Using LEGOs, come design, create and build alone, with a partner or group. This session’s theme is Bridges. Can you build a bridge with LEGO over our river in the Hondius room? Can it hold a LEGO character? This program supports STEM education.

- **March 20**  
  *Felting a Spring Bunny or Duck*  
  Learn how to attach the wool to the felt by just poking with a needle. Using the same motion as needle in a sewing machine, kids can make a colorful animal to take home.

- **April 24**  
  *Fairy, Sprites and Elves*  
  Starting with a blank character, kids will add facial features and hair, clothes and accessories. You’ll have your own fairy, wood sprite or elf to take home. Low temperature hot glue will be used.

**Summer Reading Program Begins**

**Friday 25 May**

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Acquisitions Librarian Kathleen Kase helps build collections for residents to enhance their leisure time by finding materials they want, and when and where they want them. Contact Kathleen at kkase@estesvalleylibrary.org, or call (970) 586-8116, ext. 817.
February

Open Hours
Mon – Thurs: 10:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.
Fri and Sat: 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Sun: 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 1

Baby Storytime, 10 AM, HONDIUS ROOM
Storytime, 10:30 AM, HONDIUS ROOM

Early Childhood Music Workshop, 11 AM, HONDIUS ROOM

Mesner Puppet Theater: Dinosaur Show, 10:10 AM & 12:45 PM, ELEMENTARY SCHOOL GYM

After-School Program: Candy Science, 4 PM - 5 PM, HONDIUS ROOM

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 2

Baby Storytime, 10 AM, HONDIUS ROOM
Storytime, 10:30 AM, HONDIUS ROOM

Early Childhood Music Workshop, 11 AM, HONDIUS ROOM

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 3

Storytime, 10:30 AM, HONDIUS ROOM

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 5

Youth in Action Meeting, 6 PM - 8 PM, HARPER ROOM

Fake News 101, 6:30 PM - 8 PM, HONDIUS ROOM

English Conversation Café, 7 PM - 8 PM, BELLA FORTUNA BUILDING, 600 S ST VRAIN AVE

Youth and Town Trustees Meet and Greet, 7 PM - 8:30 PM, WASSON ROOM

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 6

Great Decisions Discussion Group, 11:30 AM - 1 PM, WASSON ROOM

Bilingual Storytime and Family Night, 5:30 PM - 7:30 PM, BELLA FORTUNA BUILDING, 600 S ST VRAIN AVE

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 7

Tech Express, 4:30 PM - 6 PM, MAKERSPACE

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 8

Baby Storytime, 10 AM, HONDIUS ROOM
Storytime, 10:30 AM, HONDIUS ROOM

Nonprofit Resource Center Lunch and Learn, 12 PM - 1:30 PM, HONDIUS ROOM

Genealogy: Heirloom Sharing, 4 PM - 5:30 PM, HONDIUS ROOM

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 9

Baby Storytime, 10 AM, HONDIUS ROOM
Storytime, 10:30 AM, HONDIUS ROOM

Make Chocolate Valentine Candies, 2 PM - 5 PM, MAKERSPACE

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 10

Storytime, 10:30 AM, HONDIUS ROOM

Love Your Local Authors Festival, 1 PM - 3 PM, LIBRARY ATRIUM

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 12

Repair Clinic: Soldering, 5:30 PM - 6:30 PM, MAKERSPACE

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 16

Windows 10 Class, 10 AM - 11:30 AM, MAKERSPACE

BABY STORYTIME, 10 AM, HONDIUS ROOM

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 17

Storytime, 10:30 AM, HONDIUS ROOM

Storybook Explorers: Round is a Mooncake, 11:15 AM - 11:45 AM, HONDIUS ROOM

Children’s Book Club: Case of the Weird Blue Chicken, 2 PM - 3:30 PM, HONDIUS ROOM

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 19

Library Closed for Presidents’ Day

English Conversation Café, 7 PM - 8 PM, BELLA FORTUNA BUILDING, 600 S ST VRAIN AVE

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 20

Try-It Tuesday: Building with LEGOs, 4 PM - 5 PM, HONDIUS ROOM

Library Board of Trustees Meeting, 6:30 PM – 8:30 PM, WASSON ROOM

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 22

Baby Storytime, 10 AM, HONDIUS ROOM
Storytime, 10:30 AM, HONDIUS ROOM

Paying for College or Trade School: FAFSA and More, 6 PM - 8 PM, ESTES PARK HIGH SCHOOL

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 23

Baby Storytime, 10 AM, HONDIUS ROOM

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 24

Storytime, 10:30 AM, HONDIUS ROOM

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 26

Introduction to Fundraising Planning, 12 PM - 1:30 PM, HONDIUS ROOM

English Conversation Café, 7 PM - 8 PM, BELLA FORTUNA BUILDING, 600 S ST VRAIN AVE

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 27

Reading is Doctor Recommended: Why Zebras Don’t Get Ulcers, 7 PM - 8:30 PM, WASSON ROOM

March

THURSDAY MARCH 1

Baby Storytime, 10 AM, HONDIUS ROOM
Storytime, 10:30 AM, HONDIUS ROOM

After-School Program: Three Little Pig Science, 4 PM - 5 PM, HONDIUS ROOM

FRIDAY MARCH 2

Baby Storytime, 10 AM, HONDIUS ROOM
Storytime, 10:30 AM, HONDIUS ROOM

SATURDAY, MARCH 3

Storytime, 10:30 AM, HONDIUS ROOM

MONDAY, MARCH 5

Youth in Action Meeting, 6 PM - 8 PM, HARPER ROOM

English Conversation Café, 7 PM - 8 PM, BELLA FORTUNA BUILDING, 600 S ST VRAIN AVE
EVENT CALENDAR

TUESDAY, MARCH 6
Great Decisions Discussion Group, 11:30 AM – 1 PM, WASSON ROOM
Bilingual Storytime and Family Night, 5:30 PM – 7:30 PM, BELLA FORTUNA BUILDING, 600 S ST VRAIN AVE

THURSDAY, MARCH 8
Baby Storytime, 10 AM, HONDIUS ROOM
Storytime, 10:30 AM, HONDIUS ROOM
Early Childhood Music Workshop, 11 AM, HONDIUS ROOM
Nonprofit Resource Center Lunch and Learn, 12 PM - 1:30 PM, HONDIUS ROOM
Genealogy: DNA Discussion, 4 PM - 5:30 PM, HONDIUS ROOM
News Literacy Panel Discussion, 4:30 PM - 6 PM, TOWN HALL BOARD ROOM
Seed and Plant Cutting Exchange, 7 PM - 8:30 PM, MAKERSPACE

FRIDAY, MARCH 9
Baby Storytime, 10 AM, HONDIUS ROOM
Storytime, 10:30 AM, HONDIUS ROOM
Early Childhood Music Workshop, 11 AM, HONDIUS ROOM
3D Models and Printing, 5:30 PM - 7:30 PM, MAKERSPACE

SATURDAY, MARCH 10
Storytime, 10:30 AM, HONDIUS ROOM

MONDAY, MARCH 12
iPad & iPhone Basics, 4:30 PM - 6 PM, WASSON ROOM
English Conversation Café, 7 PM - 8 PM, BELLA FORTUNA BUILDING, 600 S ST VRAIN AVE

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 14
Tech Express, 4:30 PM - 6 PM, MAKERSPACE

THURSDAY, MARCH 15
Baby Storytime, 10 AM, HONDIUS ROOM
Storytime, 10:30 AM, HONDIUS ROOM
Early Childhood Music Workshop, 11 AM, HONDIUS ROOM
Being Mortal Book Club, 6:30 PM - 8 PM, HONDIUS ROOM

FRIDAY, MARCH 16
Baby Storytime, 10 AM, HONDIUS ROOM
Storytime, 10:30 AM, HONDIUS ROOM
Early Childhood Music Workshop, 11 AM, HONDIUS ROOM
Young Chautauqua Performance, 6:30 PM, FIREPLACE CORNER

SATURDAY, MARCH 17
Storytime, 10:30 AM, HONDIUS ROOM
Storybook Explorers: I Like Myself, 11:15 AM - 11:45 AM, WASSON ROOM
Children’s Book Club: Earthquake in the Early Morning, 2 PM - 3:30 PM, HONDIUS ROOM
Young Chautauqua Performance, 6:30 PM, FIREPLACE CORNER

MONDAY, MARCH 19
Fake News Online, 10 AM - 11:30 AM, HONDIUS ROOM
Library Board of Trustees Meeting, 6:30 PM – 8:30 PM, WASSON ROOM
English Conversation Café, 7 PM - 8 PM, BELLA FORTUNA BUILDING, 600 S ST VRAIN AVE

TUESDAY, MARCH 20
Try-It Tuesday: Felting Spring Bunnies and Ducks, 4 PM - 5 PM, HONDIUS ROOM

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 21
Trustee Candidate Forum for Youth, 7 PM - 9 PM, HONDIUS ROOM

THURSDAY, MARCH 22
Baby Storytime, 10 AM, HONDIUS ROOM
Storytime, 10:30 AM, HONDIUS ROOM
Being Mortal Book Club, 6:30 PM - 8 PM, HONDIUS ROOM

FRIDAY, MARCH 23
Baby Storytime, 10 AM, HONDIUS ROOM
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SATURDAY, MARCH 24
Storytime, 10:30 AM, HONDIUS ROOM

MONDAY, MARCH 26
Introduction to Proposal Writing and Project Budgets, 3:30 PM - 5 PM, HONDIUS ROOM
English Conversation Café, 7 PM - 8 PM, BELLA FORTUNA BUILDING, 600 S ST VRAIN AVE

TUESDAY, MARCH 27
Reading is Doctor Recommended, 7 PM - 8:30 PM, WASSON ROOM

THURSDAY, MARCH 29
Baby Storytime, 10 AM, HONDIUS ROOM
Storytime, 10:30 AM, HONDIUS ROOM
Being Mortal Book Club, 6:30 PM - 8 PM, HONDIUS ROOM

FRIDAY, MARCH 30
Baby Storytime, 10 AM, HONDIUS ROOM
Storytime, 10:30 AM, HONDIUS ROOM

SATURDAY, MARCH 31
Storytime, 10:30 AM, HONDIUS ROOM

April

MONDAY, APRIL 2
Youth in Action Meeting, 6 PM - 8 PM, HARPER ROOM
English Conversation Café, 7 PM - 8 PM, BELLA FORTUNA BUILDING, 600 S ST VRAIN AVE

TUESDAY, APRIL 3
Great Decisions Discussion Group, 11:30 AM – 1 PM, WASSON ROOM
Bilingual Storytime and Family Night, 5:30 PM – 7:30 PM, BELLA FORTUNA BUILDING, 600 S ST VRAIN AVE

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 4
Creating a Path to College Readiness, 6 PM - 8 PM, ESTES PARK HIGH SCHOOL

THURSDAY, APRIL 5
Baby Storytime, 10 AM, HONDIUS ROOM
Storytime, 10:30 AM, HONDIUS ROOM
Early Childhood Music Workshop, 11 AM, HONDIUS ROOM
After-School Program: Bees and Honey, 4 PM - 5 PM, HONDIUS ROOM

FRIDAY, APRIL 6
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Supporting the Library Volunteers

Volunteers are essential partners in the Library’s mission to bring people, ideas and opportunities together for our community. The library proudly hosts one of the most well-established and successful volunteer programs in the Estes Valley.

Did you know there are more than 200 volunteers who serve the Library each year?

Library volunteers contribute more than 3,500 hours of valuable service annually. That’s the equivalent of two full-time and one part-time employees.

Consider joining our team. See below for contact information for our new Volunteer Coordinator, Joanna Stensland.

I have lived in Estes Park for 12 1/2 years. During that time, I have borrowed and read perhaps 1,000 or more books, and also borrowed several hundred books on disc to listen to while I drive around the U.S. So, this gift is a small payback for all of that good reading and listening.

Also, the staff, from front desk librarians to the tech helpers including volunteers, are wonderful, knowledgeable, and always friendly. I really appreciate that and enjoy coming into the library no matter who is working at that time.

So, put my donation to good use and keep smiling.

- Bob Johnson

In Memoriam
Supporting the Library: Library Friends & Foundation

Estes Valley Library Friends & Foundation Membership Drive

The Library Friends & Foundation invites you to become a member. Members help to make our library great by volunteering and contributing financial support.

Please join the hundreds of others who say yes to membership. Membership benefits include:

$20 Individual Standard Membership:
Friends Only Preview Night at the Book Sale on August 3.

$30 Family Standard Membership:
Same benefit as above for up to 5 family members.

$100 and above Library Lover Supporting Membership:
Same benefit as above and a 10% discount at all book sales.
Annual membership is valid for from Jan 1 to Dec 31.

The Library Friends & Foundation thanks our local donors who generously raised 100% of the funds for the Library’s second floor renovation, its expanded facilities and equipment upgrades.

These contributions exemplify our legacy of elevating Library services for our community. Thank you and enjoy!

- Graham Russell, President
  Estes Valley Library Friends & Foundation

How does your donation to the Estes Valley Library Friends & Foundation support our library?

The EVLFF funds the following:
- Digital Collection
- Gatherings
- Makerspace
- Twig
- ELL & Citizenship iPads
- Digitization Project
- One Book, One Valley
- Summer Reading Program for All Ages
- Endowment to support future growth

Make a sound investment in our hometown library and our quality of life. Make a contribution to the Estes Valley Library Friends & Foundation. Contact Development Director Sarah Walsh at swalsh@estesvalleylibrary.org or (970) 586-8116, ext. 835

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