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The library building is partially closed at this time, but the virtual library is always open, as well as Curbside Service, and Browsing, Librarian, or Computer by Appointment.

*“I think
I may boast
myself to be,
with all
possible vanity,
the most
unlearned and
uninformed
female who
ever dared
to be an
authoress.”*

~Jane Austen

Heggan Happenings

MARGARET E. HEGGAN FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY NEWSLETTER

Browsing by Appointment Now Available

The library is pleased to announce that it will begin offering Browsing by Appointment.

Heggan Library cardholders may contact the Reference Librarian at 856-589-3334 x 222 to set up an appointment to browse a limited portion of the collection.



Once you arrive for your appointment, the librarian will escort you to the browsing area. All items handled by patrons during the browsing appointment that are not checked out will be quarantined per a

timeframe set by the library. Patrons may not reshelve materials that have been removed from the shelf.

You may check out your selections from the cart that same day.

This service is available to Heggan Library cardholders in good standing only. Appointments are available in thirty minute time slots. Please note that a mask must be worn and cover both your nose and mouth at all times. Staff will check temperatures of participants before they enter the building. You will be required to use hand sanitizer upon entering the building and maintain a distance of six feet from others while in the building.



Borrow Your Next Great Read!

Do you need reading suggestions?

Heggan Library cardholders may fill out a questionnaire on the library's website. A librarian will create a list of book suggestions for you.

This service is available for adults, children, and teens. The questionnaires can be found under the Adult Services and Youth Services tabs on the library's website. Just look for "Your Next Great Read."

Are you a passionate bibliophile with a sense of adventure?

If so, try our new program for Heggan Library cardholders—**Blind Date with a Book.**

Contact Reference Librarian Jenn at jmentzer@hegganlibrary.org or 856-589-3334 x 204 to sign up.

Participants in Blind Date with a Book will be entered into a drawing for a Google Home Mini.

KIDS' CORNER



Picture Book Month is a great time to check out one of our themed **Book Bundles**. Each bundle contains 5–7 picture books on a specific topic such as pets, princesses, colors, numbers, opposites, potty, dinosaurs, things that go, and bedtime. **Book Bundles** can be placed on hold and picked up via our **Curbside Service**.

Also available is **Tumble Books Library**, which offers animated picture books. Tumble Books is available through the library website.

Please follow us on Facebook for information and **Miss Laura's Storytime**.



Fall Writing Contest

Write a review for a tween/teen book that has had a positive impact on your life. Be sure to include title and author. Focus on the writing and its impact on you. Cover plot (but no spoilers), character development, viewpoint, and pacing.

Each month a review will be printed in the Teen and Tween newsletter. The winner will receive a prize.

Email entries to bpilling@hegganlibrary.org



THE TEEN ADVISORY BOARD

presents:

It's TAB Virtual Game Time!

Friday, November 20 • 6:00 p.m.

Come play the all new Jackbox Party Pack 7

Join us on Zoom for a thoroughly virtual Game Time event!

Use your smart phone, tablet, or computer to play!

Please contact Librarian Barb at bpilling@hegganlibrary.org for more information.

TAB Chapter Chat

Join us on Zoom for a Virtual Teen Book Discussion Group!

Butterfly Yellow

by Thanhha Lai

Tuesday, November 24 • 6:00 p.m.

This group meets to discuss popular YA Fiction on Zoom.

Butterfly Yellow is available through our **Curbside Service**, **OverDrive**, and **Hoopla** audio.

Please contact Librarian Barb at bpilling@hegganlibrary.org for more information.

Tween & Teen Book Club

Join us for a Virtual Book Discussion

The Land of Stories:

The Wishing Spell

by Chris Colfer

Sunday, November 29 • 2:00 p.m.

This group meets to discuss popular Fiction on Zoom.

The Land of Stories is available through our **Curbside Service** and on **OverDrive**.

Please contact Librarian Barb at bpilling@hegganlibrary.org for more information.

Blast Processing

A streaming discussion group where we can watch and discuss video games on Discord.

Monday, November 9
6:30 p.m.

Please see page 4 for details.

The Virtual Teen & Tween Library Is Open



Virtual browsing is now available for middle and high school students with our Virtual Teen & Tween Library. With over thirty slides in the virtual library, students from grade 6–12 can find a varied array of books and resources. From directions on how to arrange a contactless curbside pick up and a cartoon on how to get your own library card to browsing books with linked summaries, reviews, or YouTube book trailers, there's something for everyone!

Book slides range from award winners to favorite authors, genres, and series. Several library employees have slides offering their favorites and Teen Advisory Board members have begun creating their own slides of favorites—complete with their own Bitmoji.

From the very first slide, you'll find links to each slide in the presentation. You can also browse our newest arrivals to the collection, or click on objects to link out to related Internet articles. Some objects link out to safe YouTube for library parodies of popular music or videos of the author.

Not sure what you're looking for? There are a couple ways to browse. Every book cover in the presentation is a book we have either in print or as an eBook. Most of the book covers are links to summaries and reviews

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to help you decide what you want to take out. For books where there is a physical copy in the library, click on the Heggan logo on that slide and it will open a link for our catalog so you can put a hold on the book. If a selected title is only available in eBook, it also tells whether it is available from Hoopla or OverDrive. If you've never tried an eBook before or never put a book on hold through your home computer, you can call the reference desk for help getting started. (856-589-3334)



If you just want an idea of what to read, take a look at the side for GoodReads. Click on your grade number to see what readers think are the best for your level.

Of course the Virtual Teen & Tween Library, just like the Heggan Library,

offers more than books. There are a couple slides devoted to health and other useful information. There's also a Make It Room slide with links to DIY projects from cooking and drawing to creating and refurbishing. There's even a slide with our Teen and Tween Fall Programs line-up. All programs are currently taking place on Zoom. If you'd like more information about programming, contact Teen Librarian Barb Pilling bpilling@hegganlibrary.org.



To get to the Virtual Teen & Tween Library, go to the Heggan Library homepage – www.hegganlibrary.org. Hover over the words Youth Services in the string of links toward the top of the page. In the drop down menu, click on the link for Teens and Tweens. It will take a bit to load the presentation, but it will be well worth the visit. Enjoy!



Veterans' Day

Here are some of the books available from the library about veterans.

Carrying the Colors: The Life and Legacy of Medal of Honor Recipient Andrew Jackson Smith
by W. Robert Beckman

No Surrender: A Father, a Son, and an Extraordinary Act of Heroism that Continues to Live on Today
by Chris Edmonds

Places and Names: Reflections on War, Revolution, and Returning
by Elliot Ackerman

Valor: Unsung Heroes from Iraq, Afghanistan, and the Home Front
by Mark Lee Greenblatt

What Have We Done? The Moral Injury of Our Longest Wars
by David Wood

Rise: A Soldier, a Dream, and a Promise Kept
by Daniel Rodriguez

Kanopy adds more titles

The library is excited to announce that Kanopy, a movie streaming service, has added hundreds of educational and acclaimed documentaries and historical series from A&E and HISTORY!

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These added documentaries and historical series include *Cold Case Files*, *America's War on Drugs*, *Learning to Skateboard in a War*

Zone, *The Secret History of the White House*, and *The Secret History of Air Force One*.

Kanopy showcases more than 30,000 of the world's best films, including award-winning documentaries, rare and hard-to-find titles, film festival favorites, indie and classic films, and world cinema.

Heggan Library cardholders may access an entire series for a 72-hour viewing period. Visit the library's website to get started.



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ADULT PROGRAMS

Blast Processing

A streaming discussion group on Discord

Monday, November 9
6:30 p.m.

Enjoy the comradery of **Video Game Night at the Library** from the safety and comfort of your own home with our new program where we can watch and discuss video games.

This session we will explore the bizarre **Tales from Off-Peak City**, a post-modern musically inspired tale of mysteries and pizza. Will you be able to piece together the mysteries lurking in the background of this unique experience?

Advance online registration is required. Open to Heggan Library cardholders only.

This event will be held on Discord. After registering for the event, you will receive an email with instructions on how to view the stream and join the discussion.

Quantum Dreams

A Sci-Fi book discussion on Zoom

Monday, November 23
6:30 p.m.

Man in the Empty Suit
by Sean Ferrel

Advance registration is required. Open to adult Heggan Library cardholders. Email programs@hegganlibrary.org to join.

Nonfiction Addiction

Tuesday, November 24
5:00 p.m.

The Devil in the White City: Murder, Magic, and Madness at the Fair that Changed America
by Eric Larson

This group will meet on Zoom.

Advance registration is required. Open to Heggan Library cardholders. Email jmentzer@hegganlibrary.org for information and to register.

DIRECTOR'S CORNER

Library board member David Bruce has decided to leave his position as a member of the Library Board of Trustees of the Margaret E. Heggan Free Public Library since he and his family have relocated to another part of the state that is closer to the ocean.

David Bruce has been a board member since 2009. He served as Secretary since 2011. He has served on various committees handling tasks related to facilities and finances. David assisted with plans to double the size of the library and moving the library to its current location. He also provided valuable advice related to recent building improvements such as the parking lot renovation and the roof replacement.

We will miss his dedication and contributions to the library.

In honor of David's eleven years of service, library board members and others contributed funds to

purchase books for the library collection, including the following:

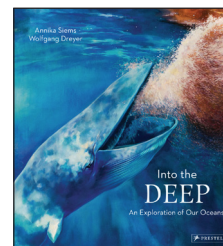
Greek Myths: Meet the Heroes, Gods, and Monsters of Ancient Greece by Jean Menzies

Highlights Book of Things to Do: Discover, Explore, Create, and Do Great Things by Highlights for Children

Into the Deep: An Exploration of Our Oceans by Annika Seims and Wolfgang Dreyer

Pet Records: The Weirdest, Cutest, Biggest, Coolest, Tiniest, and Smartest Pets on the Planet by Julie Beer and Michelle Harris

Sheila Mikkelson, Library Director



The library will be closed on Wednesday, November 11, in observance of Veterans' Day.

The library will close at 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, November 25, and will be closed on Thursday, November 26, and Friday, November 27, in celebration of Thanksgiving.

