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Washington County Library Featured Events for February

All Washington County Library branches will be closed on Monday, Feb. 15 for Presidents' Day. Modified hours will resume on Tuesday, Feb. 16.

Washington County Library is currently offering a variety of online programs for residents to enjoy at home! Registration is required so that participants receive the link to join virtually. In addition to featured events, book clubs have transitioned to virtual meetings and storytimes premiere on our Facebook page every Tuesday and Wednesday at 10:30 a.m.

Featured Events

Family Legal Advice Clinic

Tuesday, Feb. 2 from 1 to 3:30 p.m.

The Washington County Law Library provides monthly Family Legal Advice Clinics. Get a free half hour consultation with a local volunteer attorney covering a range of topics such as marriage dissolution, child support, domestic abuse, paternity issues, child custody, visitation, spousal maintenance, name change, etc. All Legal Advice Clinics are currently being held over the phone. Please call 651-430-6330 or email LawLibrary@co.washington.mn.us to schedule an appointment.

Virtual Let's Make Stuff: De-Stress and Slime!

Tuesday, Feb. 2 from 3 to 4:30 p.m.

Join us for Virtual Let's Make Stuff! to get crafty and learn something new. In this class, each participant will create their own stress ball and slime. Embrace your inner-child while taking care of your mental health. This program will be held virtually via Zoom. All basic supplies will be included in your kit, which should be available for pickup 7-10 days before the event at your local library. Registration is required. Register online at WashCoLib.org or call 651-275-8500.

Virtual Minnesota Author Series: Gretchen Anthony

Tuesday, Feb. 2 from 7 to 8:30 p.m.

Join us for our Minnesota author series, Write in Our Midst, with author Gretchen Anthony. Gretchen is the author of the recently published *The Kids Are Gonna Ask*. Her debut novel, *Evergreen Tidings from the Baumgartners*, was a Midwestern Connections Pick and a best books pick by Amazon, BookBub, PopSugar, and

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the New York Post. Gretchen will discuss her work and answer audience questions. This program is funded with money from Minnesota's Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund.

Criminal Legal Advice Clinic

Wednesday, Feb. 3 from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.

The Washington County Law Library provides weekly Criminal Legal Advice Clinics. Get a free half hour consultation with a local volunteer attorney covering a range of topics from traffic tickets, criminal process, criminal expungement, and DANCO orders. All Legal Advice Clinics are currently being held over the phone. Please call 651-430-6330 or email LawLibrary@co.washington.mn.us to schedule an appointment.

Virtual: Teen Gaming

Wednesday, Feb. 3 from 3:30 to 4:45 p.m.

Hey teens, let's get together and play online games like Jackbox, Board Game Arena, and Among Us! Players will need a computer or other device with an internet connection and Zoom. For ages 11-17. Registration is required.

Virtual: FamilyMeans Memory Café

Thursday, Feb. 4 from 2 to 3 p.m.

FamilyMeans Virtual Memory Café is a welcoming place for those with memory loss and their caregivers. Join us to meet new people, connect with others for support and laughter and learn about community resources. Please contact Jenny West, Community Educator at 651-789-403 or email jwest@familymeans.org for a link and instructions to participate.

Civil Legal Advice Clinic

Monday, Feb. 8 from 1 to 3:30 p.m.

The Washington County Law Library provides monthly Civil Legal Advice Clinics. Get a free half hour consultation with a local volunteer attorney covering a range of topics such as default judgment, housing/eviction, consumer issues, conciliation court, and automobile title transfers. All Legal Advice Clinics are currently being held over the phone. Please call 651-430-6330 or email LawLibrary@co.washington.mn.us to schedule an appointment.

Virtual Let's Make Stuff: Fused Glass Suncatcher

Monday, Feb. 8 from 6 to 7:30 p.m.

Join us for Virtual Let's Make Stuff! to get crafty and learn something new. In this class each participant will create their own Fused Glass Suncatcher, presented by Artistry. This program will be held virtually via Zoom. All basic supplies will be included in your kit, which should be available for pickup 7-10 days before the event at your local library. Registration is required. Register online at WashCoLib.org or call 651-275-8500. This program is funded with money from Minnesota's Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund.

Virtual: Setting Up a Small Business Website

Tuesday, Feb. 9 from 1 to 2 p.m.

Get started with your new blog or small business website. Learn how to register your new business with the State of Minnesota and pick out a corresponding domain name. Discuss blog/website hosting options and then learn to run the site successfully. This workshop, hosted by Washington County Library and funded by MELSA,

will be presented by Keer Keer Creative. Registration is required. Register online at WashCoLib.org or call 651-275-8500.

Virtual Minnesota Author Series: William Green

Tuesday, Feb. 9 from 7 to 8:30 p.m.

Join us for our Minnesota author series, Write in Our Midst, with author William Green. Dr. Green will be speaking on his most recent book, *Nellie Francis: Fighting for Racial Justice and Women's Equality in Minnesota*. Nellie Francis was an extraordinary black woman from St. Paul who helped lead the suffrage campaign, and after the 1920 lynching of three back men in Duluth successfully lobbied for the enactment of the state's antilynching law. Green will discuss his work and answer audience questions. This program is funded with money from Minnesota's Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund.

Criminal Legal Advice Clinic

Wednesday, Feb. 10 from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.

The Washington County Law Library provides weekly Criminal Legal Advice Clinics. Get a free half hour consultation with a local volunteer attorney covering a range of topics from traffic tickets, criminal process, criminal expungement, and DANCO orders. All Legal Advice Clinics are currently being held over the phone. Please call 651-430-6330 or email LawLibrary@co.washington.mn.us to schedule an appointment.

Virtual: FamilyMeans Memory Café

Thursday, Feb. 11 from 2 to 3 p.m.

FamilyMeans Virtual Memory Café is a welcoming place for those with memory loss and their caregivers. Join us to meet new people, connect with others for support and laughter and learn about community resources. Please contact Jenny West, Community Educator at 651-789-403 or email jwest@familymeans.org for a link and instructions to participate.

Family Legal Advice Clinic

Tuesday, Feb. 16 from 1 to 3:30 p.m.

The Washington County Law Library provides monthly Family Legal Advice Clinics. Get a free half hour consultation with a local volunteer attorney covering a range of topics such as marriage dissolution, child support, domestic abuse, paternity issues, child custody, visitation, spousal maintenance, name change, etc. All Legal Advice Clinics are currently being held over the phone. Please call 651-430-6330 or email LawLibrary@co.washington.mn.us to schedule an appointment.

Virtual: SEO (Search Engine Optimization)

Tuesday, Feb. 16 from 1 to 2 p.m.

Without connecting your website to Google and other search engines, your website is an island. SEO connects your website to the world wide web and makes it searchable in Google. Learn about SEO principles and Google's algorithm so you can build a website that Google will index. This workshop, hosted by Washington County Library and funded by MELSA, will be presented by Keer Keer Creative. Registration is required. Register online at WashCoLib.org or call 651-275-8500.

Criminal Legal Advice Clinic

Wednesday, Feb. 17 from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.

The Washington County Law Library provides weekly Criminal Legal Advice Clinics. Get a free half hour consultation with a local volunteer attorney covering a range of topics from traffic tickets, criminal process, criminal expungement, and DANCO orders. All Legal Advice Clinics are currently being held over the phone. Please call 651-430-6330 or email LawLibrary@co.washington.mn.us to schedule an appointment.

Avoiding COVID-19 Scams and Fraud

Thursday, Feb. 18 from 1 to 2 p.m.

Learn to avoid scams with this free, virtual program presented by AARP Minnesota. The Federal Trade Commission warns that bad actors are using the coronavirus pandemic as an opportunity to deceive consumers and steal their money or sensitive information. In this session, we talk about common types of scams and how to recognize them. Registration is required. Register online at WashCoLib.org or call 651-275-8500.

Virtual: FamilyMeans Memory Café

Thursday, Feb. 18 from 2 to 3 p.m.

FamilyMeans Virtual Memory Café is a welcoming place for those with memory loss and their caregivers. Join us to meet new people, connect with others for support and laughter and learn about community resources. Please contact Jenny West, Community Educator at 651-789-403 or email jwest@familymeans.org for a link and instructions to participate.

Virtual Let's Make Stuff: Polka Dot Tree

Thursday, Feb. 18 from 2:30 to 3:30 p.m.

Join us for Virtual Let's Make Stuff to get crafty and learn something new. In this class, we'll use simple painting techniques to make a fun and unique painting. This program will be held virtually via Zoom. All basic supplies will be included in your kit, which should be available for pickup 7-10 days before the event at your specified library. Registration is required. Register online at WashCoLib.org or call 651-275-8500.

Virtual BINGO!

Saturday, Feb. 20 from 2 to 3 p.m.

Have fun playing BINGO on Zoom! Print or pick up your bingo cards and participate over Zoom. Small prizes will be awarded to winners. Adults of all ages are welcome. Registration is required. Register online at WashCoLib.org or call 651-275-8500.

Civil Legal Advice Clinic

Monday, Feb. 22 from 1 to 3:30 p.m.

The Washington County Law Library provides monthly Civil Legal Advice Clinics. Get a free half hour consultation with a local volunteer attorney covering a range of topics such as default judgment, housing/eviction, consumer issues, conciliation court, and automobile title transfers. All Legal Advice Clinics are currently being held over the phone. Please call 651-430-6330 or email LawLibrary@co.washington.mn.us to schedule an appointment.

Virtual: Managing Your WordPress Website or Blog

Tuesday, Feb. 23 from 1 to 2 p.m.

Learn the skills to maintain your WordPress website and blog. Topics include creating website backups, software updates, WordPress Core, PHP, setting up your firewall, monitoring activities, blacklisting and whitelisting IP addresses, and configuring your security plugin. This virtual workshop, hosted by Washington County Library and

funded by MELSA, will be presented by Keer Keer Creative. Registration is required. Register online at WashCoLib.org or call 651-275-8500.

Virtual Minnesota Author Series: Shannon Gibney

Tuesday, Feb. 23 from 7 to 8:30 p.m.

Join us for our Minnesota author series, Write in Our Midst, with author Shannon Gibney. Gibney is an award-winning author of novels, anthologies, essays, and picture books. She writes for adults, children, and everyone in-between. In addition to her work as an author, Gibney regularly teaches writing in a number of Twin Cities venues. She will discuss her work and answer audience questions. This program is funded with money from Minnesota's Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund.

Criminal Legal Advice Clinic

Wednesday, Feb. 24 from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.

The Washington County Law Library provides weekly Criminal Legal Advice Clinics. Get a free half hour consultation with a local volunteer attorney covering a range of topics from traffic tickets, criminal process, criminal expungement, and DANCO orders. All Legal Advice Clinics are currently being held over the phone. Please call 651-430-6330 or email LawLibrary@co.washington.mn.us to schedule an appointment.

Virtual: Teen Gaming

Wednesday, Feb. 24 from 3:30 to 4:45 p.m.

Hey teens, let's get together and play online games like Jackbox, Board Game Arena, and Among Us! Players will need a computer or other device with an internet connection and Zoom. For ages 11-17. Registration is required.

Virtual: FamilyMeans Memory Café

Thursday, Feb. 25 from 2 to 3 p.m.

FamilyMeans Virtual Memory Café is a welcoming place for those with memory loss and their caregivers. Join us to meet new people, connect with others for support and laughter and learn about community resources. Please contact Jenny West, Community Educator at 651-789-403 or email jwest@familymeans.org for a link and instructions to participate.

Virtual Let's Make Stuff: Mandala Dot Painting on a Vinyl Record

Thursday, Feb. 25 from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Join us for Virtual Let's Make Stuff! to get crafty and learn something new. In this class each participant will learn the basics of Mandala dot painting and use their new skills to customize a vinyl record with paint and dotting tools. This program will be held virtually via Zoom. All basic supplies will be included in your kit, which should be available for pickup 7-10 days before the event at your specified library. Registration is required. Register online at WashCoLib.org or call 651-275-8500.

For a full list of events, visit WashCoLib.org/Events.

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