



The May Newsletter from the Ignacio Community Library



TeleHealth at ICL!

We're weaving health into the fabric of our communities with Connect to Health @ Your Library. ICL is making it easier for local residents to connect to a doctor or other health professional. At ICL, you will be able to check out or use our kits in-house, which include a hotspot, computer, blood pressure cuff, pulse oximeter, ring light, scale, and headset/microphone. We'll even be offering room dividers for privacy for our in-house option.

According to the CDC, rural residents are more affected in dealing with chronic conditions. One of the top reasons for this gap is the lack of access to healthcare and distance barriers in our rural communities. Healthcare access for rural residents is often prohibitive, in addition, rural areas have few local clinics and not enough providers or specialists. Connect to Health @ Your Library ICL is creating bridges to better, more accessible healthcare. Empower yourself and your loved ones with knowledge and access, all in one place.

Stop in to learn more!



Spoken Word Poetry Event

Thursday, May 1 at 5:00 p.m.

Come and share a piece of poetry with other lovers of the spoken word! Local poet and author, Burt Baldwin, will share an excerpt from his latest book of poetry. Local creators will have a chance to share something they have created, as well. Sign up in advance or drop in if we have space!

Students: check with your ELS teachers for possible extra credit for participating in this event!

Marbleous Tea Party

Sunday, May 4 at 12:00 p.m.

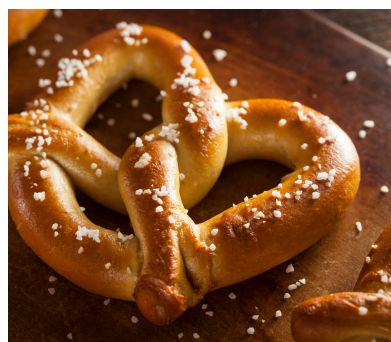
Join us for an unforgettable marble-themed tea party! Enjoy a delightful selection of hot and iced teas, cookies, and finger sandwiches with our indoor and outdoor seating. Take part in fun activities like face painting and the classic marbles game. Plus, each guest will receive a fantastic goodie bag filled with marbles to take home. Don't miss this exciting experience—come celebrate with us! We can't wait to see you!



Chaos Gardening

Monday, May 12 at 5:30 p.m.

Chaos gardening is an ecologically minded method of gardening with a lot less stress; it can encourage pollinators and have a lot of diversity. Come learn how to add a little healthy chaos to your garden! Presented by Heather Houk, the Horticulture & Agriculture Production Specialist for La Plata County CSU Extension.



Make Your Own: Soft Pretzels

Tuesday, May 13 at 4:30 p.m.

Everyone, no matter their age, is invited to participate! Discover the art of making soft pretzels from scratch and indulge your creativity by choosing your favorite toppings—whether it's classic salt, a sweet cinnamon and sugar blend, or delicious cheese. Don't miss out on this tasty experience!



Monday - Thursday 8:30 a.m. - 6:30 p.m.
Friday - Saturday 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. & closed Sundays
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Our Newest Addition

ICL is pleased to announce that local community member Daniel Frauenhoff joined the library in January 2025. Daniel will be covering all things IdeaLab, Dewey, and the Voices of Ignacio project, as well as working on the service desk. After years at the Durango-Silverton train, Daniel returned to Fort Lewis to focus on history. He has been a fantastic addition to ICL staff and we know the community will give him a warm welcome.



Jewelry Making Workshop

Thursday, May 22 at 4:30 p.m.

Join us for a fun-filled jewelry-making session where you can craft beautiful earrings, bracelets, and necklaces! Youth level workshop, but all ages welcome.



Virtual Travel Program

Tuesday, May 27 at 4:00 p.m.

Come join us as we immerse ourselves in the culture of a new destination! We will dine on their local dishes, experience the culture, and see the sights by means of our Meta Quest Pro Virtual Reality Headsets! We have friendly staffers on hand to assist participants who are unfamiliar with the headsets, so all adults are encouraged to participate! Call (970)563-9287 to sign up!

***This program is for adults. Teens 13 and older may participate with a parent and a signed waiver.**



Coming Soon...

Are you ready to take on a challenge this summer? Join our Adult Summer Reading program and immerse yourself in the joy of reading! Not only will you earn rewards and have fun along the way, but you'll also discover new books and stories that will inspire you.

Starting in June, grab your Adult Summer Reading Bingo sheets and embark on this thrilling journey with us. Don't miss out on the fun—let's make this another great summer!

THE IDEA LAB



Glowforge Demonstrations

Wednesday, May 14 starting at 2:00 p.m.

Don't miss your chance to explore ICL's cutting-edge laser cutter and engraver! Join us for an exclusive demonstration, and you'll walk away with some exciting laser swag. Experience the innovation firsthand—reserve your time slot today!

Group size is limited to 8 | 4 sessions will be offered.

Group 1 @ 2:00

Group 2 @ 3:15

Group 3 @ 4:30

Group 4 @ 5:30

Email rschermacher@ignaciolibrary.org or call Ron at (970)563-9287 ext. 103 to sign up for your spot.



IDEA LAB Class of the Month

Fridays & Saturdays in May from 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Every Friday and Saturday in May, join us to learn and experiment with Model Rocket Building! As always, the IDEA LAB is also available for other projects and learning on a drop-in and appointment basis.

YOUTH PROGRAMS & INFO



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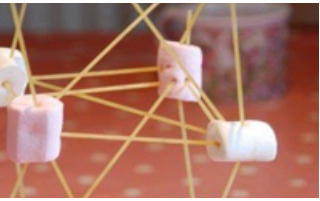
Summer Reading is Coming!

We can't wait to kick off another amazing summer filled with creativity and fun! Join us every Wednesday at 10:00 a.m. in the library for our vibrant Summer Reading program. This year, we're embracing the theme of art with the inspiring slogan "Color Our World."

Mark Your Calendars for Opening Day on June 4th! We're rolling out an unforgettable experience packed with a bounce house, engaging art projects, bubbles, colorful chalk, and registration goodies. And let's not forget about lunch—enjoy delicious tostadas, refreshing drinks, and indulgent ice cream floats!

To make the day even more special, we'll be holding an exciting giveaway! One lucky winner will receive a coveted year-long pass to Lake Nighthorse. Remember, you must be present to win, so don't miss out!

Join us throughout the summer for a lineup of thrilling events and programs! Look forward to spectacular performances, including Ignite Gymnastics, an enchanting show by Mysto the Magician, a Music Day featuring the upbeat Helter Smelter Band, and so much more! Stay tuned for additional updates and prepare for a summer filled with adventure and creativity!



Silly Science

Thursday, May 8 at 4:30 p.m.

Join us this May for a fun experiment to become an architect and make your own tall towers! Come and unleash your creativity!



Storytime

Tuesdays at 10:00 a.m.

Looking to help your little ones develop a lifelong love of reading? Join us for interactive sessions filled with songs, crafts, and stories. Our program is designed to engage and inspire our youngest library patrons. Don't miss out on this opportunity to create cherished memories with your child while also setting them up for a lifetime of learning and exploration.



Teen Night

Monday, May 19 at 6:00 p.m.

Are you a middle or high school student looking for a fun and engaging program to attend? Exciting news, we're thrilled to announce that at Teen Night this month, we've got breakfast for dinner and Life-sized Pac-Man for fun!

Kids must be picked up by 7:45 p.m. please. | Program is for 6th - 12th graders



Teen Cafe

Wednesdays at 4:30 p.m.

Calling all middle schoolers and high schoolers! Join us every Wednesday for an exciting lineup of activities, including movies, crafts, homework help, board games, music, coloring, and more. It's the perfect opportunity to hang out with friends while enjoying snacks and drinks.





Community Office Hours with Matt

Thursday, May 8 from 5:00 - 6:30 p.m.

Stop by for an informal meeting to discuss the County issues that matter to you with commissioner Matt Salka!



Voices of Ignacio

Voices of Ignacio is an initiative proudly hosted by the Ignacio Community Library, launched by former staff member Renee Morgan. This program was made possible through the generous "Latino Americans: 500 Years of History" grant, which is dedicated to illuminating the stories of underrepresented groups. The mission of Voices of Ignacio is to actively collect interviews, photos, and documents from our community in an inclusive and welcoming manner, inviting everyone to share their unique narratives.

Since January 2016, we have captured a wealth of oral histories from local residents, digitized numerous school yearbooks, and scanned hundreds of cherished photos and documents. Each contribution adds depth to the rich tapestry of our community's history.

We invite you to join us in this endeavor! If you have stories, photos, or documents that you would like to contribute to the Voices of Ignacio project, please reach out to Daniel at dfrauenhoff@ignaciolibrary.org or by calling 970-563-9287. Together, we can explore and celebrate the vibrant history of Ignacio, Colorado, through this evolving online collection, supported by the Colorado State Library and the Plains to Peak Collective.

Discover the treasures of our past by visiting ignaciolibrary.org today!

On the left: A photo of Jess Stauffer's barber shop in Ignacio, Colorado circa 1925.



Database Highlight

Newspaper Source Plus has selected full text from national and regional US newspapers, including the Denver Post, Greeley Tribune, and Pueblo Chieftain, and transcripts from TV and radio news. Visit our website, ignaciolibrary.org - then the Online Library Tab - then the Research Tools Tab to access this and more!



Community Resources at the library

La Plata County Harm Reduction will be at ICL every 1st and 3rd Tuesday of the month. Their services include Narcan, HIV, Syphilis, and Hepatitis C rapid tests, safer use supplies, as well as resource navigation. Call (970)759-7047 for more information!

Challenge of the Month

Join us on Beanstack to log reading, write reviews, and read books under special categories to get badges and prizes. Download the Beanstack App to create an account to participate in this month's challenge, Blast Off!



REGULAR PROGRAMS



GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP

Every First Tuesday at 3:00 p.m., we invite you to our monthly Grief Support Group, led by the compassionate Sara Barnes, LPC, from Hospice of Mercy. This is not a group that demands a regular commitment; it's a supportive space available whenever you need it most. We'll be here every first Tuesday of the month to connect with others who understand what you're going through. If you're feeling overwhelmed or just need a little extra support, we're here for you. Don't hesitate to come and find comfort among those who care.



FREE LEGAL CLINIC

Every third Tuesday, volunteer attorneys will answer questions, help fill out forms, and explain the process and procedure for civil legal issues. The volunteer attorneys do not represent you just because they help you at this clinic. This clinic is informational only and is no substitute for legal representation. We will be hosting it every third Tuesday of the month this year! Reservations required - Sign up today because spots are limited! (970)563-9287.



VETERAN SERVICES

Every first Wednesday, Greg Dotson, the La Plata County Veteran Services Officer, holds his regular office hours with us from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.



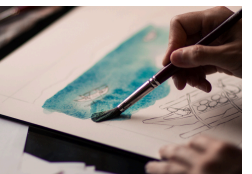
REPAIR CAFE

Every first Saturday of the month from 1:00 - 3:00 p.m. bring in your broken, torn, or non-working items and put the Repair Cafe team to work, assessing and helping you put them back in service.



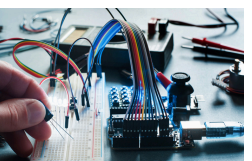
SEWING WORKSHOP

Mondays at 1:30 p.m. Whether you're a beginner or an expert, you're invited to join us every Monday for some fun around sewing projects and crafts.



OPEN ART STUDIO

Tuesdays at 10:30 a.m. Unleash your creativity and join a community of passionate artists! Get inspired, work on your art projects, and receive valuable feedback and support from your peers. Whether you're a seasoned artist or just starting, our doors are always open to new members and guests. Join us for some fun, good conversation, and a chance to connect with other local artists!



ELECTRONICS HOUR

Wednesdays at noon. Discover the exciting world of circuits, robots, and computers with our electronics-based projects at the IDEA LAB! Join us every Wednesday for this free program open to all ages.



ICL KNITTERS GROUP

Thursdays at 1:00 p.m. Are you a fan of knitting? If so, we invite you to join our lovely group of knitters every Thursday in our Community Room. Work on your latest project and socialize with fellow knitting enthusiasts. We hope to see you there! A perfect place for a chat while enjoying some crochet, knitting, or whatever your fancy may be!

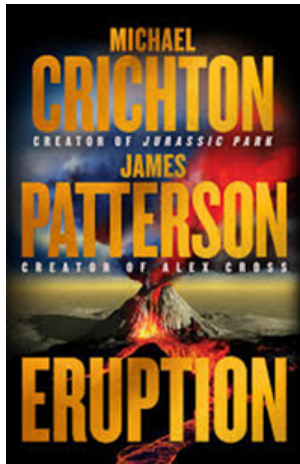


COMMUNITY COFFEE & DONUTS

Fridays at 9:00 a.m. Join us for a morning of coffee and donuts! Don't miss out on this fantastic opportunity to stay informed about all the amazing resources available to you at the library!

Guests and new members are always welcome!

BOOK CLUBS INFO



Mystery Book Club Monday, May 19 at 11:30 a.m.

Are you a seeker of thrills and chills? Join our book club to meet people with the same interest and love of books!

This month we'll discuss:

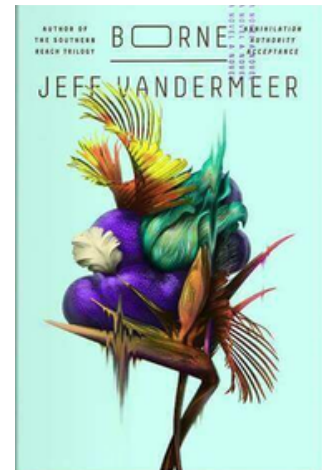
Eruption by Michael Crichton
and James Patterson

The library will provide lunch this month.



The Kids Book Club Thursday, May 15 at 4:15 p.m.

Kids will meet to discuss the book from the previous month: *How to Eat Fried Worms* by Thomas Rockwell. Snacks will be provided, and you'll get next month's new book!



Science Fiction Book Club Thursday, May 29 at 5:00 p.m.

Books can transport you to new worlds and eras, allowing you to experience life through someone else's eyes. This book club, in particular, will take you on a journey beyond your wildest imagination! Join us as we discuss *Borne* by Jeff Vandermeer.

UPCOMING COMMUNITY EVENTS

3rd Annual "Recovery is Possible" RECOVERY RETREAT

MAY 17, 2025
8:00 am - 5:30 pm

**SKY UTE CASINO RESORT
EVENTS CENTER**
14324 HWY 172, Ignacio, CO 81137

FREE EVENT

NO REGISTRATION REQUIRED
Adults 18 & Over
No childcare will be provided.
First 200 participants will receive a
free gift at the registration table.
Limited Booth space! Reserve now!

****THIS IS A SOBER EVENT!****

Looking for ways to enhance your recovery
journey or not sure where to start?

"Join us for a recovery-centered day with engaging
activities, presentations, and resources for all that
are on their recovery journey. Family and friends
are welcome as well."

Breakfast & Lunch will be provided!

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:

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GUEST PRESENTERS & ENTERTAINMENT
Lil Mike & Funny Bone
from 'Reservation Dogs'



MASTER OF CEREMONIES: Robert Ortiz

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Feathers & Forgiveness Staff"



988 SUICIDE & CRISIS
LIFELINE

Friday, May 2, 2025

6-8pm

Youth EMPOWERMENT ARTISAN & MAKERS SHOWCASE

Live Music

Artisan Showcase

Makers Market

Are you a youth artist or maker?

Showcase your art or sell your handmade creations at the Youth
Empowerment Artisan & Makers Showcase!

Friday, May 2nd | 6PM-8PM

At Dancing Spirit Center for the Arts





Featuring a live performance by showcase artist Cadence Witt

Artists: Submit your work for display - \$5 per entry

Makers: Sell your handmade items - \$5 per table
(Space is limited!)

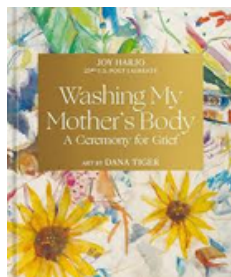
Adults - come support Ignacio's talented youth!
Let's uplift the next generation of creatives together!



 <h3>BLOOD DRIVE</h3> <p>The bloodmobile will be here on May 29 from 12:00 – 3:00 p.m. to make an appointment, contact Dorothy Williams at (970)563-9287 or Vitalant at 1-877-258-4825 or scan the QR code.</p>				1 KNITTERS GROUP 1:00 SPOKEN WORD POETRY EVENT 5:00	2 COMMUNITY COFFEE & DONUTS 9:00 MODEL ROCKET BUILDING 1:00	3 REPAIR CAFÉ 1:00
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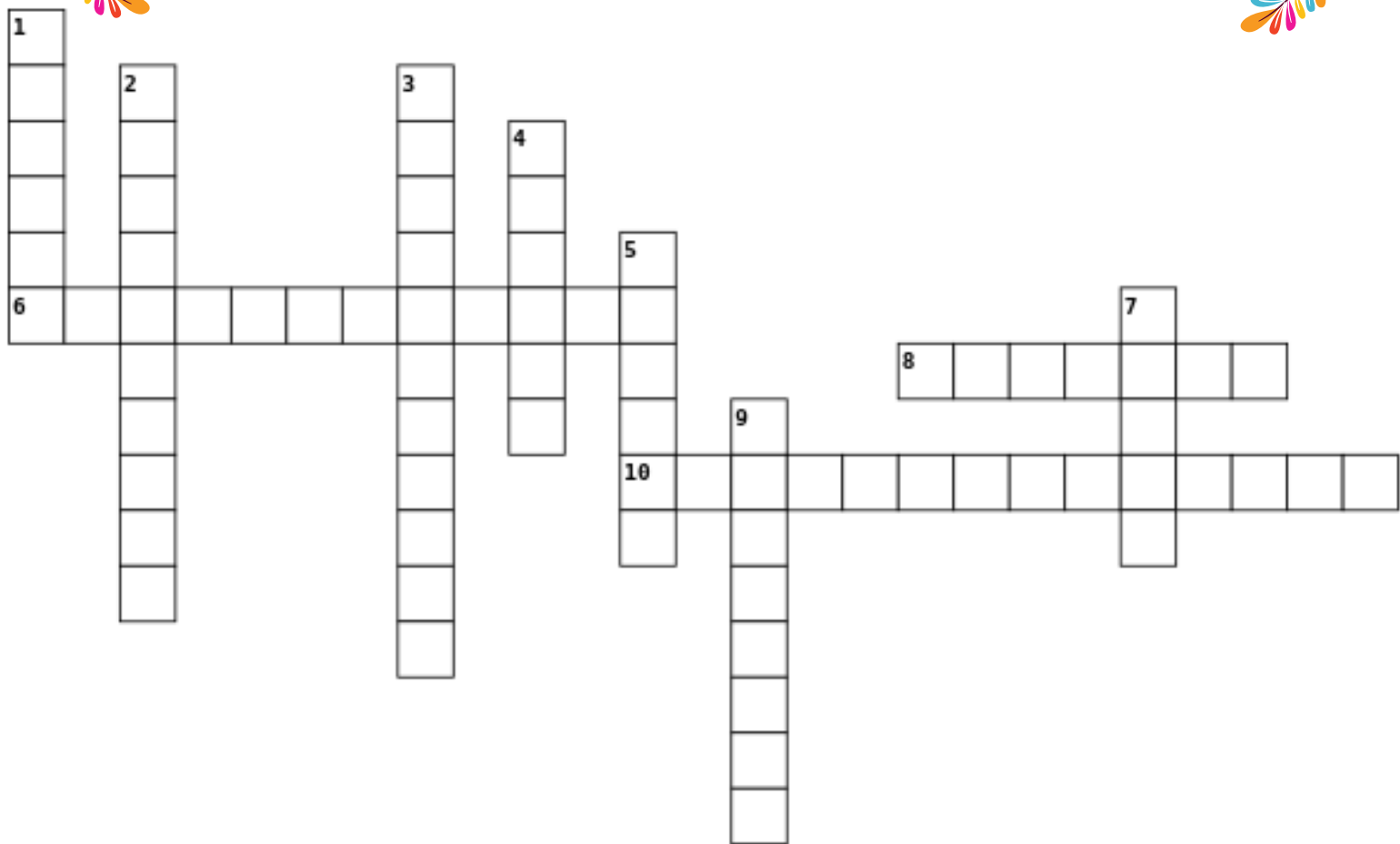
Book Suggestion!

Washing My Mother's Body: A Ceremony for Grief by Joy Harjo



"Through lyrical prose and evocative watercolor illustrations by award-winning Muscogee artist Dana Tiger, *Washing My Mother's Body* explores the complexity of a daughter's grief as she reflects on the joys and sorrows of her mother's life. She lays her mother to rest in the landscape of her memory, honoring the hands that raised her, the body that protected her, and the legs that carried her mother through adversity. Moving, comforting, and deeply emotional, *Washing My Mother's Body* is a tender look at mother-daughter relationships, the complexity of grieving the loss of a parent, and the enduring love of those left behind."--Amazon

May Crossword!



Across

- 6. Famous blind singer who was born on May 13th.
- 8. April showers bring May _____.
- 10. Program we are hosting on May 12th at 5:30 p.m.

Down

- 1. One of the Astrological signs for May.
- 2. The name of May's full moon.
- 3. Holiday celebrated on the 5th of this month.
- 4. What do people call the first day of May?
- 5. What army did Mexico defeat at the Battle of Puebla in 1862?
- 7. The name of our Library on the Move bus.
- 9. Yellow nodding flower with cup-shaped petal in the center

COMING IN JUNE...



DIY Scratchart *Tuesday, June 3 at 2:00 p.m.*

All ages are welcome to come to the library to try out DIY Scratchart!



Container Gardening *Monday, June 16 at 5:30 p.m.*

Extra plants and no open garden space? Want to add plants to the patio and inside spaces? Container gardening basics from planting in the right pot, soil health, and pest management.