

## **Week of October 9th Happenings at the Library**

Come meet the new Library Director Mara Klco! Let her know what you want to see from your library whether it's a new book, magazine, event or other service. Check out the Books at the Indian River Area Library section to see two of Mara's personal favorites.

Our next Board of Trustee meeting is October 17th at 5:00pm the Tuscarora Township Hall. All are welcome to attend.

Starting October 10th the current issue of all magazines will not be available to check out so that more patrons can read the issue. Patrons are welcome to read the current issues in the Library. All previous issues will be available to be checked out.

Printing, copying and fax prices will be increasing starting October 17th. Be sure to stop by for all your printing, copying and faxing needs.

Check out ebooks on Overdrive! There is a large selection of e-books available to all Indian River Area Library Patron on Overdrive in addition to our collection here at the Library. Visit our website <https://www.indianriverlibrary.org/> for more information.

## **Books at the Indian River Area Library**

### **The Great Leader by Jim Harrison**

Jim Harrison's rough and rugged style shines through in this mystery about a Retired Michigan Police Officer's search for an elusive cult leader. While the main character Sunderson may be a former cop he is no hero. Struggles with alcoholism, loneliness and divorce plague this character as he endeavors to bring this cult leader to justice. Harrison's ability to balance a character on the edge of loved and hated reflects the complex nature of humanity. Harrison manages to write a classic noir novel but with his dry wit that makes his writing so unique. If you're looking for a gritty mystery this is the book for you.

### **The Giver by Lois Lowry**

When I think of books I could read again and again my mind always jumps to The Giver. This book explores the concept and complexities of a dystopia better than any dystopian written for adults. Lowry manages to a world of such perfection that the reader, like the main character doesn't want to see how this world was created. Lowry discusses serious issues like freedom, individuality, principles, and human nature in a way that is accessible for readers whether teens or adults. No matter how many times you read it The Giver always has more to give.

## **Week of October 16th Happenings at the Library**

There is a lot to check out at the Indian River Area Library. Over two hundred new DVDs have been added to our collection with more still to come. Be sure to stop in and check out some of our new titles. All DVDs are free to check out with an Indian River Area Library Card. Don't have a library card? Library cards are free for all residents of Tuscarora Township and to all students of Inland Lake Schools. If you are a resident of Mentor Township a library card is only \$15. For residents of any other township a library card is \$25. With a library card you can check out books, dvds, read e-books and more.

This week is National Friends of the Library Week. Thank you so much to our Friends group for their dedication to the library and to the community. Visit the Indian River Area Library to learn more about Friends of the Library and to check out what books they have for sale.

The next Board of Trustee meeting will be held November 21st at 5:00pm at the Tuscarora Township Hall meeting room. All are welcome to attend. For past meeting minutes and current board packets visit the Indian River Area Library's webpage at [www.indianriverlibrary.org](http://www.indianriverlibrary.org).

### **Books at the Indian River Area Library**

#### ***Good-Bye Chunky Rice* by Craig Thompson**

*Good-Bye, Chunky Rice* is the story of a turtle searching for home. Now this may sound like a children's novel, but I assure you this is not a book for children. This graphic novel deals with struggles of identity, childhood trauma, disabilities, loss, and fear through the departure of Chunky Rice the turtle, his subsequent travels and those he leaves behind. Thompson uses his cartoonish character to lull the reader into a false sense of security before dealing with serious considerations of human nature. It's more serious nature makes this graphic novels great for people who have never read graphic novels before.

#### ***The Blind Assassin* by Margaret Atwood**

*The Blind Assassin* tells three stories. The stories of two sister as they each see it and the novel one of them wrote all interwoven together. Set in the 1930s the story begins with the death of Laura Chase but works from that point backwards and forwards to build the lives of Laura and her sister Iris. *The Blind Assassin* is a drama, a love story, a mystery, science fiction and a period piece all expertly woven together to tell the complicated story and the choices that shaped their lives.

### **Week of October 23rd Happenings at the Library**

Stop by the Indian River Area Library on Halloween for Treats and Stories! We will be handing out candy from 5:00-8:00pm and reading stories on the hour. At 5:00pm we will be reading *Pete the Cat and Five Little Pumpkins* by James Dean and *Go Away, Big Green Monster* by Ed Emberley. At 6:00pm we will be reading *Trick Arr Treat* by Leslie Kimmelman. At 7:00pm we will

be reading *Miss Smith and the Haunted Library* by Michael Garland. Come for the candy, stay for the stories.

Weekly Storytime begins November 2nd. Every Thursday at 10:30am we will be host a storytime at the library. There will be singing and stories and lots of fun. Join us November 2nd as we read *Today I will Fly* by Mo Willems, *Tacky the Penguin* by Helen Lester and *Dragons Love Tacos* by Adam Rubin time permitting.

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Our next Board of Trustees Meeting will be November 24th at 5pm at the Tuscarora Township Hall. All are welcome to attend. Visit our website for past and current meeting minutes.

### **Books at the Indian River Area Library**

#### ***I Want My Hat Back* by Jon Klassen**

This is a picture book both adults and kids can enjoy. The plot is simple a bear is looking for his hat. He asks all the animals if they have seen it. Only to remember he has seen it before on an overly talkative bunny. Just a warning this book may leave your child asking you some difficult questions. It is definitely worth reading again and again and again.

#### ***Inkheart* by Cornelia Funke**

Have you ever dreamed that the characters you read about could come to life? For Meggie this dream comes true as she discovers her father has the gift to read characters right out the book. The revelation of his gift brings a whole world that is so intertwined with the story of her family it sends her spiraling on an adventure she always wished for but was never prepared for. This rich fantasy, while written for young adults is a great read no matter your age. If you love those book there are too more in the series that will suck you in as well. Just whatever you do, if you like this book, don't watch the movie.

### **Week of October 30th Happenings at the Library**

Every Thursday (excluding thanksgiving) 10:30 is storytime at the Indian River Area Library. This week we will be reading *Today I will Fly* by Mo Willems, *Tacky the Penguin* by Helen Lester and *Dragons Love Tacos* by Adam Rubin time permitting. Come read to read, sing and play. Visit our facebook page for more information.

November 11th from 10:00am-1:00pm is the Library Open House and Fine Forgiveness. Stop in and met the new library director. Let her know what you want to see at your library. Also all overdue books returned on this day will have all fines forgiven on them no matter how overdue the book is. So swing by, say hi and return your library books.

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#### ***The Thief of Always* by Clive Barker**

Clive Barker is a master of horror so when I saw he had a juvenile fiction graphic novel I was intrigued. He is successful in spinning a terrifying tale while keeping it appropriate for older juvenile readers. *The Thief of Always* tells the story of the holiday house. Where everyday is a different holiday and children are granted everything they wish for. A new arrival, Harvey Swick, is initially enamored by the house which seems to be every child's fantasy. But as he starts looking around the darker side of the house starts to reveal itself. *The Thief of Always* is a perfect read this Halloween season.

#### ***Star Island* by Carl Hiaasen**

*Star Island* is the story of a collapsing starlet, her body double, an overzealous paparazzo and a crazed environmentalist former governor. In true Hiaasen style this book is full of twists and turns as this cast of characters all fight to get what they want sometimes physically, but mostly through outrageous schemes. This novel does feel more like a series of unrelated incidents than his previous works which filled with seemingly small bizarre events managed to maintain a cohesive picture. That being said it is still a fun, trashy, witty, over-the-top, zany and sometimes just bizarre read.