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Library hours
Monday through Thursday  
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9 a.m. to 5 p.m.  
Sunday  
1 to 5 p.m.

Meeting rooms
Library cardholders 18 years and older may reserve meeting rooms. Check meeting room availability and place reservations online through our Web site. For more information, call the Library at 852-3167, ext. 5.

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The Library Board has seven members appointed by various governmental units within the county. It meets at 6:30 p.m. on the third Monday of each month in the Russell Webb Memorial Board Room at the Library. Meetings are open to the public.

Monday Evenings  
6 to 9 p.m.

Bill Smith, Instructor
January 15 Intro to the Internet  
January 22 Intro to Excel  
January 29 Intermediate Excel  
February 5 Intro to Quicken  
February 12 Intro to Access 1  
February 19 Intro to Access 2  
February 26 Advanced Excel  
March 5 Intro to Computers  
March 12 Intro to Windows  
March 19 Intro to PowerPoint  
March 26 Intro to Email  
*Both classes required.

Tuesday Mornings  
9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Mary Myers, Instructor
January 16 Intro to Word  
January 23 Intermediate Word  
January 30 Intro to the Internet  
February 13 Intro to Excel  
February 27 Intermediate Excel  
March 6 Intro to Quicken  
March 27 Intro to Computers  
April 3 Intro to Windows  
April 10 Intro to PowerPoint  
April 17 Intro to Publisher

Tuesday Evenings  
6 to 9 p.m.

Mary Beth Symmonds, Instructor
January 16 Intro to Publisher  
January 23 Intro to Computers  
January 30 Intro to Windows  
February 13 Digital Picture Basics  
February 27 Intro to the Internet  
March 6 Intro to Email  
March 27 Intro to Word  
April 10 Intermediate Word  
April 17 Intro to Excel  
April 24 Digital Picture Basics

Wednesday Mornings  
9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Mary Beth Symmonds, Instructor
January 17 Digital Picture Basics  
January 24 Intro to Email  
January 31 Intro to Word

Thursday Mornings  
9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Sharon Nichols, Instructor
January 18 Intro to Computers  
January 25 Intro to Windows  
February 1 Intro to Publisher  
February 8 Intro to PowerPoint  
February 15 Intro to Word  
February 22 Intermediate Word  
March 1 Intro to Excel  
March 8 Intermediate Excel  
March 15 Intro to the Internet  
March 22 Intro to Email

Friday Mornings  
9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Jenni Smith, Instructor
January 12 Intro to Publisher  
January 19 Intro to the Internet  
January 26 Intro to Email  
February 2 Digital Picture Basics

Computer Savvy Seniors, Part 1

Jenni Smith, Instructor
Mondays, 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.  
January 15 through March 19  
$75 for whole series
Display your collections
Do you have an interesting collection that you would like to share with your friends and neighbors? Display it at the Library! Ask for a form at the Circulation Desk or call 852-3167, ext. 10 for more information.

Join and save
One of the great perks of becoming a Friend of the Brownsburg Public Library: some books for your personal collection can be purchased through the Library at a significant discount. Ask for a Friends membership application at the Circulation Desk.

Show your loyalty to BPL
Carry your books back and forth in a smart-looking canvas tote that bears the BPL logo. Purchase yours at the Circulation Desk for only $8. Proceeds benefit Friends of the Brownsburg Public Library.

10-year partnership continues
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achievements since leaving the program. Three of the seven students attended post-secondary education; five improved their job status; and one became a citizen. Dora Robinson, the oldest GED graduate from the Library class, closed the program by performing piano music from Chariots of Fire. If you would like more information about this program, call the ABE office at 852-3167, ext. 34.

Silent book auction
Take a look at the rare finds in our Silent Book Auction located next to the Library Shop. Submit your bids at the Circulation Desk.

Holiday schedule
The Library will be closed on the following days:
✦ Sunday, April 8, Easter
✦ Sunday, May 13, Mother’s Day
✦ Sunday & Monday, May 27 and May 28, Memorial Day
Library celebrates 10-year partnership with Wayne Township Adult Basic Education

In October of 1996 Wayne Township Schools’ Adult Basic Education offered its first ABE/GED class in cooperation with the Brownsburg Public Library. Ten years later the program has expanded to include three ABE/GED and two English-as-a-Second Language (ESL) classes, serving over 168 students last year alone. The partnership includes support from the Brownsburg Community Schools, as well as input from local businesses and community organizations.

The first class was funded by an Outreach Grant from the Indiana Department of Education, Division of Adult Education. Since then the effort has been supported by Brownsburg School Corporation, grants made through Brownsburg Public Library, and a federally-funded adult education program through Wayne Township Schools. Class offerings at the Brownsburg Public Library include ABE/GED classes on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. and 12:30 to 3:30 p.m., and ESL classes on Mondays and Wednesdays from 1 to 4 p.m. and 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. Evening classes are also held at Harris Education Center from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays. All classes are free to students at least 16 years old who are not enrolled in a k-12 program.

The ABE/GED program prepares students to take the GED test and helps individuals (high school graduates included) improve reading, language, and math skills in order to go to college, be better employed, or be a more effective parent/community participant. Classes also serve those who want to learn English and/or become citizens. The decade-long partnership was commemorated by former students, former and present tutors, library staff, and other guests at the Brownsburg Public Library on October 8. Judy Ricketts, ABE instructor, presented the history of Wayne Township Adult Basic Education in Hendricks County. Seven former students shared their experiences during this event. The presentation was recorded and can be viewed at the library’s website.

Many thanks to our partners and sponsors

- Hendricks County Community Foundation, for financial support for the performance of the Indianapolis Opera.
- Town of Brownsburg, for support of the Brownsburg Poet Laureate project.
- Psi Iota Xi, for contributing $1,000 for the purchase of books for children.
- Dawn Bandy, from Dance Legacy, guest presenter at the October SEEKERS.
- Staff Sergeant Michael Johnson, U.S. Army, guest presenter for the Library’s Veteran’s Day program.
- Cornerstone Christian Church Youth Ministry, for helping with Fair Day and Breakfast with Santa.

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Adult programs

Civil War Event January 27, 2007, noon to 4 p.m.
A group of Civil War re-enactors will answer questions, do demonstrations, show artifacts, and share tons of information.

Current Events and Issues Discussion Forum
First Monday of each month, 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.
Discuss the latest hot topics in the world in a safe, open environment with other interested individuals.

How to Be Your Own Market Research Firm
March 13 or March 20, 2 to 3 p.m
Discover electronic and print resources that can help you develop competitive intelligence to support the growth of your business.

Tree Care Workshop April 12, 6:45 p.m.
Sponsored by Hendricks County Soil & Water Conservation District; Hoosier Heartland RC&D Council. Participants get a free book!

Teen programs

Friday After-Hours Movies Third Friday of the month, 5 to 7 p.m.
We’ll have the library to ourselves while we watch a cool teen movie!

FAFSA and Financial Aid Help January 15, 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.
Parents and high school students are invited to unlock the mysteries of government and financial aid forms for college.

Origami January 29, 6 to 7 p.m.
Make some cool animals and other items out of folded paper.

Anti-Valentine's Day Dinner and a Movie! February 12, 5:30–8 p.m.
Forget the gooey romance! Have pizza with friends and watch an anti-Valentine movie, Tim Burton's *The Corpse Bride*!

Teen Game Night March 19, 6 to 7 p.m.
Enjoy snacks while playing some great board and card games!

Swing Dancing Workshop April 30, 6:30 to 8 p.m.
Learn to jump, jive, and wail with members of the Indy Swing Dance Club, coming to show you one of the hottest dance trends!

Make A Luminary Monday, May 7, 6 to 7:30 p.m. Set the mood in upcoming summer nights by creating your own luminary – an outdoor candleholder that reveals a design when a candle is lit inside.

Tango for Teens May 21, 6:30 to 8 p.m.
Impress your friends – learn to tango! Hosted by members of the Butler University Ballroom Dance Club.

See our Web site for details on all program registrations and locations.
Evans is named Brownsburg's first Poet Laureate

The Town of Brownsburg in cooperation with the Brownsburg Public Library has named Jennifer Evans as its first Poet Laureate. Evans, who receives a $200 stipend from Friends of the Brownsburg Public Library for her post, will serve a two-year term as the town's official ambassador for poetry. Her responsibilities will include seeking publication for her own works and reading her poems at a minimum of two public events each year through 2008. Evans will also participate in at least two annual poetry education events arranged through the Brownsburg Public Library. Her first public appearance was at the dedication ceremony for Brownsburg's new Municipal Complex on Saturday, November 25.

Evans has a bachelor's degree in English Literature and Religious Studies Theology from Lenoir-Rhyne College. She works as a correspondent for the Indianapolis Star and a part-time Director of Outreach Ministries at Calvary United Methodist Church in Brownsburg.

Evans says she hopes to use her post to popularize poetry with people of all ages, interests, and abilities. “Reading the works of national Poet Laureates like Billy Collins and Ted Kooser always makes me feel like I am part of something bigger,” Evans said. “I think this demonstrates that poets help people find common ground and provide a powerful influence on building community.”

“We chose to collaborate with the Town of Brownsburg on this project because it’s one that aligns so closely with our combined goals,” said Wanda Pearson, director, Brownsburg Public Library. “We both recognized the close connection poetry has with building strong communities.” Pearson said several studies suggest that poetry helps all students, but particularly those who are struggling in the areas of reading and writing. Research has also shown that adults who read or listen to poetry are more civic-minded and volunteer more in their communities. Organizations interested in scheduling Evans at public events should contact the Brownsburg Public Library, 852-3167, and ask for the Poet Laureate coordinator.
Fun highlights for kids

Pajama Time  For children 3 and under with an adult caregiver.
Thursdays, January 11, January 25, February 8, February 22, March 8, March 22, April 12, April 26, May 10, May 24, 6 p.m.
Join us the second and fourth Thursday of each month for Pajama Time, a 30-minute library story time full of books, songs, rhymes and fun. Registration is NOT required.

STAR Club Grades 1-3.
Tuesdays, January 9, February 13, March 13, April 10, May 8, 6 p.m.
Read and tell stories, perform fun activities and find loads of ways to be creative. Come join the fun the second Tuesday of each month! Registration is required for each session.

Seekers Grades 3-5.
Tuesdays, January 23, February 27, March 27, April 24, May 22, 6 p.m.
Learn about interesting topics and have fun with books! Each SEEKERS is a new adventure. Come explore with us the fourth Tuesday of each month! Registration is required for each session.

Opera Event: Little Red Walking Hood
Thursday, February 1, 1 p.m. and 6:30 p.m.
All ages will enjoy the Indianapolis Opera Ensemble’s presentation of Little Red Walking Hood, set to music from The Merry Widow. Registration is NOT required.

Harry Potter Trivia 10 years-old and up.
Thursday, March 1, 6 to 7:30 p.m.
Do you think you know everything about Harry? Test your knowledge against other fans while we munch on snacks provided by the Friends of the Brownsburg Public Library! Registration begins February 1.

Magic Tree House Trivia Grades 1-4.
Thursday, May 3, 6 to 7:30 p.m.
Do you love the Magic Tree House books? Share your knowledge and help your team by answering questions about the adventures of Jack and Annie! Snacks will be provided by the Friends of the Brownsburg Public Library. Registration begins April 10.

All programs require registration unless otherwise noted.