

Rural Library Corner

Podcast Script for Sept 28th

Introduction

- Hello and welcome to the Rural Library Corner's Podcast. I am your host Maureen Penn, Library Director for Lac La Biche County Libraries.
- Rural Library Corner highlights Lac La Biche County Libraries' programs, initiatives, new releases and features interviews with local community members and groups. Even online "our libraries are your place to be".
- In this episode, we will highlight some of our programs, talk about future outreach plans, talk about two e-resources which people can access from home with their library card and interview Pierre Oberg Fine Arts Instructor from Portage College.

Music - Adding the Sun

Services & Initiatives



- Concerned about making sure you or your children understand school subjects with the closures? [Solaro](#) provides study help for Mathematics, English Language Arts and Science for grades 3 to 12. It follows the Alberta curriculum and contains thousands of practice questions and core concept sessions to help students of all ages. You can access it for free with a valid library card.



- [Lynda.com](#) is a leading online learning platform that helps anyone learn business, software, technology, and creative skills to achieve personal and professional goals, and you can access it for free with your library card.
- Our [Website Navigational Video](#) is now posted.

Music - Mana Two Part 2

Program Highlights



Robots, roll out!

Help us build a virtual parade!

Using your imagination, draw or build a robot out of blocks, cardboard, recycled materials, or anything you want! Take a photo with a solid background and email to: director@lbcl.ca by 4pm on Tuesday, October 6th.

We will put together a virtual presentation with your creations and post it on our website, social media, and YouTube on Monday, October 19th.

STEAMPUNKERY:

A STEAM Program

Bristlebot/Brushbot



Stuart MacPherson Public Library

Wild Rose Room
4:30pm—6:30pm
October 19, 2020



- **STEAMPUNKERY: A STEAM Program** will be held on Monday, October 19th at 4:30pm. Join us at the main branch in the Wild Rose Room to create your very own Bristlebot or Brushbot. If you are unable to make it that evening and wish to build it at home, we will have kits plus an instructional video uploaded to our Youtube channel prior to the event.

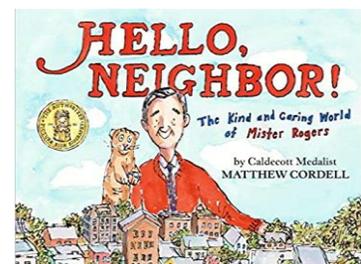


- **Right at Home** will resume in October. New videos featuring Joanne will be released every two weeks and showcase songs, stories, rhymes, crafts and activities using common household items. The links will be on our website <https://www.llbcl.ca/programs/early-literacy> and social media platforms.

Music - Aquarium

New Additions

- **Hello Neighbor! The Kind and Caring World of Mister Rogers** by Matthew Cordell
Lively, colorful illustrations explore Fred Rogers' early life and the events that led him to create his enduring show. Exclusively published archival photographs, provided by Fred Rogers Productions, offer a behind-the-scenes look at this historic show and the people whose hard work made it possible. A brief biography of Mister Rogers and a history of the show is included, as well as a note from author-illustrator Matt Cordell about his inspiration and long-time admiration for Fred Rogers and Mister Rogers' Neighborhood.



- **Granted** by John David Anderson

Everyone who wishes upon a star, or a candle, or a penny thrown into a fountain knows that you're not allowed to tell anyone what you've wished for. But even so, there is someone out there who hears it. In a magical land called the Haven lives a young wish granting fairy named Ophelia Delphinium Fidgets. She is about to get her very first wish-granting assignment and discover that figuring out how to truly give someone what they want takes much more than a handful of fairy dust.



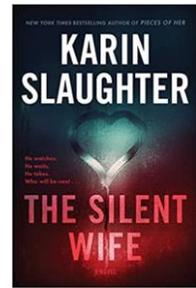
- **The Friend Scheme** by Cale Dietrich

Matt's father is a criminal with high hopes that his son will follow in his footsteps. His family is at war with another, and Matt's dad is caught in the crossfire. Matt and his older brother are expected to fight for their family. But deep-down Matt has other ambitions- and attractions. Then he meets Jason and the boys keep their connection a secret as Matt suspects that Jason is part of the family that tried to kill his father. The truth, however, is even more shattering.



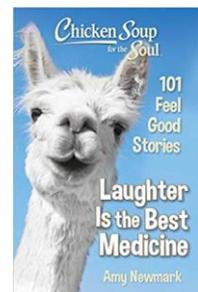
- **The Silent Wife** by Karin Slaughter

Will Trent is confronted with disturbing information – an inmate claims that he is innocent of a brutal attack for which he has always been the prime suspect. And then only days ago, another young woman was viciously murdered in a state park in northern Georgia. Is it a fluke, or could there be a serial killer on the loose? As Will digs into both crimes it becomes clear that he must solve the cold case in order to find the answer. When the past and present begin to collide everything, he values is at stake.



- **Laughter is the Best Medicine (Chicken Soup for the Soul)** by Amy Newmark

Chicken Soup for the Soul's first-ever humor collection. If laughter is the best medicine, then this book is your prescription. Read the whole book at once, read a chapter a day or a story a day for 101 days. These pages contain the antidote to whatever is troubling you and can lighten your mood.



Music – Midnight Tale

Local Community Information

- Welcome to Pierre Oberg Fine Arts Instructor at Portage College.
- Interview with (a few points will be highlighted in these notes)

Questions:

1. Can you share a little bit about yourself and how you became interested in the arts?

Grew up in a small farming community similar to Lac La Biche and my family were farmers but very much interested in art and culture. On the weekends we would often travel to Edmonton and enjoy a visit to the Art Gallery of Alberta.

2. What does your role at Portage College as the Fine Arts Instructor entail?

Portage College has a very rich and unique art program that included the long-standing Native Arts and Culture Program and has recently

added a Fine Arts Program. This program has students from the following streams: students enrolled in the Native Arts and Culture Program, Fine Art Certificate Students, and Open Studies and University transfer students. Small enrollment and well-equipped studios allow for face to face instruction with social distancing protocols in place.

3. Could you share details about the Arts Education Workshops that are being offered to the teachers?

We enjoy working with all of our art students and educators within the region. This involves reaching out to local schools and looking for opportunities to collaborate in the area of arts and culture.

4. How can people find out more about these programs and workshops?

Visit Portage College at www.portagecollege.ca, select art from the listing and select the specific program you wish to learn more about. You can also contact the Lac La Biche Campus at 780-623-5551 or 1-866-623-5551 and ask to speak to Pierre Oberg or Lyla Allan.

5. What benefits can participants get from art programs and events?

We live in an era that has a creative economy so if you are an art student your career could be a fashion designer, textile designer, landscaping architect, teacher, tattoo artist and video game creator. The College can offer the foundational skills necessary for that work. We also teach good design and business of art.

Community members and High School students are welcome to take or class or two to help round out their knowledge, provide a creative outlet, stress release, and improving one's imagination. Often students improve dexterity and get a broader view of the world.

6. What are your future plans for community events?

We love to work with Community Partners and Schools and look forward to future opportunities. Enjoyed doing summer programming with FCSS where youth and seniors had a chance to do portrait painting or watercolours.

Collaboration project between the College and Lac La Biche County Libraries to take place in the new year entitled "Timestamps: The Art of Relief". Stay tuned to our website and social media for more details as they become available.

7. Is there anything else you wish to add?

I would like to thank the Lac La Biche County Libraries for the opportunity to speak on the behalf of arts and culture in our region and invite people who are interested in arts and culture to reach out to the College.

Wrap Up

- Thank you for joining me today and if you wish to review the notes for today's podcast or get more information about Lac La Biche County Libraries visit our website – llbcl.ca.
- In our next episode, I will highlight some of our programs, our YouTube channel and talk about two e-resources which people can access from home with their library card.
- We encourage you to subscribe and share our monthly podcast with others.
- Until next time... I am Maureen Penn for Lac La Biche County Libraries "our libraries your place to be."

Music - Fuzzball Parade

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Interview with Pierre Oberg