

MARY E. BARTLETT MEMORIAL LIBRARY



WEEK OF: 8/3 - 8/8/2020

Quote for the week:

"The best way to find yourself, is to lose yourself in the service of others." - Mahatma Gandhi

We are so happy to report on the success of our new book request service! Many have taken advantage of this resource and the feedback has been wonderful! To try this out, go to www.brentwoodlibrary.org and click on the "Book Request Form." Tell us as much about your reading preferences as possible and our talented staff will match you to approximately 4 or 5 books, magazines, or DVD's that match your request. If you don't like a choice, return it and let us know so we can better tailor your next picks. Need more than 4 or 5, or just want 1 or 2, let us know!

Q&A

Q: When are the plexi guards going to be set up?

A: As you may know, in order to consider moving forward into Phase 2 - Part C of the MEB COVID-19 Phased Library Services Plan, our building must be safe for staff and patrons. I am happy to report that our Lexan shields have arrived at the shop and are pre-scheduled to be installed sometime during the week of August 17th -21st. Allowing for delays, this means we are considering appointment-based browsing in September. The Trustees will be meeting on Monday, August 17th and I will report back with our next steps in that week's e-newsletter.

Q: What is Phase 2- Part C?

A: Currently, Part C includes appointment based/limited access to the building for computer/printer/fax use along with continued curbside service. If things continue to remain stable in regards to COVID-19 in this area, we hope to open to appointment based/limited access to the building for browsing as well.

Q: What will appointment based/limited access to the building look like?

A: Masks will be required to enter the building. Computer use will be limited to 1 person or 1 family unit for a maximum period of 30 minutes. This will allow staff to clean and sanitize the computer area between appointments. (Note: We are working out a solution to computer access for those not able to wear a mask.) Further details for browsing and external computer use are being planned and will be reviewed by the Trustees at their next meeting. I will report back in that week's e-newsletter.

Q: What will programming look like?

A: We will continue to offer virtual programming after a brief hiatus at the end of the Summer Reading Program, during which time we will be cleaning, re-organizing, and preparing for in-person visits. Book groups and other small groups are welcome to contact me to arrange an outdoor meeting space.

STAY HEALTHY IN MIND AND BODY!
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