Our previous subscription with rbDigital offered about 30 popular magazines. We have just expanded to receive more than 3000 titles plus single issues. This is such a fantastic offering! Go to our website and click the Find Books tab. Open Digital Magazines or go to https://www.rbdigital.com/hallcoountyga/service/magazines/landing?

Pages and pages of titles pop up. All of the traditional English language titles, and also Spanish, German, French and more.

Select rbDigital for ebooks and audiobooks.
WE ARE OPENING GRADUALLY — HOURS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE

CHECK our website for updates to this schedule, or call 770-532-3311 for information.

Please wear a mask, observe social distancing, and limit your visit to one hour.

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YES, CURBSIDE PICK-UP IS STILL AVAILABLE!

Curbside Pickup Instructions

Please put my books on the table while I stay in my car.
OK. Wait there until I'm back inside the library.

Can't come into the library to browse?

LET US BROWSE FOR YOU...

Just fill out a form or give us a call, and our librarians will put some selections on hold for you. Then ask for CURBSIDE PICK-UP

Red Cross Blood Drive

Spout Springs Library
Thursday, October 8
11:00 am - 4 pm

By donating blood, you will help people battling cancer, accident victims, and patients fighting life-threatening conditions. No matter what your blood type, we need you!

Call 1-800-RED-CROSS to sign up today!
Former First Lady Sandra Deal in front of the room named in her honor.

Library Director Lisa MacKinney

Dignitaries watch Library Board Chair Leslie Jarchow cut the opening ribbon.

Commissioner Jeff Stowe

Former Library Board Chair Mark Pettitt and Director Lisa MacKinney
Our Library Staff was represented by:

Circulation Manager, Janine Cline with staff members George Souza, Sandra Cardoso and Abigail Hernandez
Katie Guthrie and McKenzie Bowen
Alli Brooks

Our socially distanced dedication ceremony was live-streamed.

Recording of the speakers and a virtual tour are available at hallcounty.org
In To Know the Wild Flowers, published in 1893, Mrs. William Starr Dana extolled the many benefits of being on “a bowing acquaintance with flowers.” I love that phrase and so agree—only my interest in plants extends beyond flowers.

I find the foliage, fruit, seedpods and roots of all kinds of plants equally fascinating. The phrase also reminds me of my grandfather, who inspired my interest in plants and gardening. As a child, I often accompanied him on walks down the native wildflower trail in his garden. There he would pause, slowly bow over a plant and introduce us—always using the plant’s formal botanical name. It would be many years before I could understand Latin, but I did fall in love with wildflowers on those walks.

If you take a bit of time to get to know plants, you may be both surprised and delighted by what you discover. I often find they have almost human qualities in the way they reach toward sunlight, dance in the wind, mingle among themselves or gracefully bow their heads when fading.

A Bowing Acquaintance with Plants explores these unique characteristics that give plants personality.

Lee Anne White
**Virtual Book Clubs**

**Hall County Library**

**Military Book Club**

- **The Zookeeper’s Wife** by Diane Ackerman
  - Thursday, October 8
  - Please email for link: bhood@hallcountylibrary.org

- **A Perfect Hell** by John Nadler
  - Thursday, November 12
  - Please email for link: bhood@hallcountylibrary.org

**Health Book Club**

The Fraser Resource Center and Hall County Library System are hosting a free virtual book club activity. Participants will be reading & discussing *The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks* by Rebecca Skloot. Join us for an engaging dialogue on the book, All of Us Research project, and clinical trials.

- **The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks** by Rebecca Skloot
  - Register here by October 15

**Poldark**

- November 5
  - Thursday- Noon
  - Please email for link: sfoster@hallcountylibrary.org

- **Flat Broke with Two Goats** by Jennifer McGaha
  - Please email for link: sfoster@hallcountylibrary.org

**Carnegie’s Maid**

- November 16
  - Monday Night - 6 PM
  - Please email for link: sfoster@hallcountylibrary.org

- **Carnegie’s Maid** by Marie Benedict
  - Please email for link: sfoster@hallcountylibrary.org
Join us on Facebook and our website in the new interactive storytime environment.

Have fun with clickable elements in each room, from books and rhymes to songs and puppets.

Find the printable craft or coloring page waiting for you. See if you can find them all!

See a new storytime every Tuesday. So far we have “Big & Little”, “Leaves”, and “Farm”.

Saturday, October 24, 6:00 PM

Candy Mania Family Trivia

Trick or treat!
Do you know a lot about candy?
Join us online for a Quizizz trivia event!

Live team trivia for your whole family!
Get the game code on Facebook at 5:45 PM on 10-24-2020.
The 1000 Books Before Kindergarten Challenge is simple!

Read a book, any book, to your baby or child with the goal of reading 1,000 books before they start kindergarten.

A Thousand Books Before Kindergarten (1KB4K) is an initiative sponsored by Georgia Public Library Service. This is part of a nationwide program that encourages parents of babies, toddlers and preschoolers to read aloud with their children. Go to 1KB4K.

Virtual Book Clubs at HCLS for Kids and Teens!

Home school and virtual school friends, looking for a book club to get your kids excited about reading?

Join a Tome chapter through HCLS!

Read books, participate in cool virtual discussions and fun projects, all leading up to TomeCon - a conference for readers, writers and authors held in the spring!

Want to learn more? Our virtual meetings are coming up!

Club Tome - Grades 4-5, Monday, October 26 @ 4:30.
Email Ms. Ashley at amartin@hallcountylibrary.org for an invite to the elementary meeting!

Junior Tome - Grades 6-8, Thursday, October 29 @ 4:30
Email Ms. Claudia at csparks@hallcountylibrary.org for an invite to the middle school meeting!

Tome Society - Grades 9-12, Wednesday, October 28 @ 6:00.
Email Ms. Alli at abrooks@hallcountylibrary.org for an invite to the high school meeting!

## Hall County Library Online Resources

### Download and Stream
- Hoopla TV/Movies, Music, Magazines, eBooks/Audiobooks
- rbDigital Audiobooks, eBooks & Magazines
- eRead Kids

### Just for Kids
- Tutor.com
- eRead Kids
- GALILEO Kids
- Learning Express Library
- GCFLearnFree.org

### Genealogy
- My Heritage
- Family Search
- Heritage Quest
- Digital Library of Georgia
- Ancestry Library Edition
- Historic Hall Co. Photo Project
- GPLS Genealogy Resources

### Get In Touch With Us
- Ask a Librarian
- 770-532-3311
- LibraryHelp@hallcountylibrary.org
- Curbside Appointments
- “BROWSE FOR ME” Form

### Learn
- Learning Express Library
- GALILEO
- Job & Career Accelerator
- Mango Languages
- Niche Academy
- GCFLearnFree.org
- GACE
- ReferenceUSA
- NoveList
- GALE Legal Forms
- Tutor.com

### * Your PINES Account
- Manage your PINES account
- PINES Georgia Mobile App
- Catalog
**Staff Book Picks**

**Lisa**
**Director**

**Lightning**
by Dean Koontz

**Jessica**
**North Hall Tech Center**

**Beloved**
by Toni Morrison

**Janine**
**Circulation**

**Into the Out Of**
by Alan Dean Foster

**Charles**
**Blackshear Place**

**Somebody Else is on the Moon**
by George Leonard

**Doug**
**Adult Services**

**Relic**
by Preston & Child

**Michael**
**Adult Services**

**Something Wicked This Way Comes**
by Ray Bradbury

**Cheryl**
**North Hall Tech Center**

**The Good House**
by Tananarive Due

**Barbara**
**Murrayville**

**House on Haunted Hill**
by Paul Tremblay

**David**
**Adult Services**

**The Cabin at the End of the World**
by Paul Tremblay

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**For October: Scary Stories**

- Lightning by Dean Koontz
- Beloved by Toni Morrison
- Into the Out Of by Alan Dean Foster
- Somebody Else is on the Moon by George Leonard
- Relic by Preston & Child
- Something Wicked This Way Comes by Ray Bradbury
- The Good House by Tananarive Due
- House on Haunted Hill by Vincent Price
- The Cabin at the End of the World by Paul Tremblay
**Staff Book Picks**

**For October: Scary Stories**

**Alli**  
YOUTH SERVICES  
*Into the Drowning Deep*  
by Mira Grant

**Claudia**  
Spout Springs  
*Doctor Sleep*  
by Stephen King

**Brian**  
Murrayville  
*Interview with a Vampire*  
by Anne Rice

**Cheryl**  
North Hall  
*Wonderland*  
by Jennifer Hillier

**Jeanne**  
Director, Adult Services  
*Carrion Comfort*  
by Dan Simmons

**Lisa**  
Director, Youth Services  
*The Call*  
by Peadar O’Guilin

**Jessica**  
North Hall Technology Center  
*Fahrenheit 451*  
by Ray Bradbury

**Cheryl**  
North Hall Technology Center  
*Salem’s Lot*  
by Stephen King

**Lisa**  
Director, Youth Services  
*The Winter People*  
by Jennifer McMahon
Staff Book Picks for Our Younger Readers

For October: Scary Stories

Susan
Spout Springs

The Haunting of Hill House
by Shirley Jackson

Ol’ Clip-Clop
by Patricia McKissock

Scary Stories to Tell in the Dark
by Alvin Schwartz

Emily
Spout Springs

Book of Ghost Stories
by Roald Dahl

Wilder Girls
By Rory Power

Click, Clack, Boo!
by Doreen Cronin

Whitney
Cataloging

Asylum
by Madeline Roux

Wait Till Helen Comes
by Mary Downing Hahn

Ashley
Blackshear Place

Ella
Murrayville

Ol’ Clip-Clop
by Patricia McKissock

Wilder Girls
By Rory Power

Wait Till Helen Comes
by Mary Downing Hahn

Alli
Youth Services

Dorothy
Murrayville

Spellbound
by Jacqueline West

Julie
Branch Services

Scary Stories to Tell in the Dark
by Alvin Schwartz

Claudia
Spout Springs

Click, Clack, Boo!
by Doreen Cronin

Spellbound
by Jacqueline West

Lisa
Director, Youth Services