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Break Out Rooms Coming to the Library

SHELBYVILLE, Ky.—Can you (or your teenager) break out of the Library in just 45 minutes and solve the mystery of the town of Monowi at the same time? The Library invites you to come find out on July 19 at 5:30 and 6:30. Because of the special nature of this event, the Library is limiting the number of attendees to just 20 and encourages those planning to attend to register before the rooms fill up and to ensure that there is plenty of food for all attendees.

The break out room is based on the unique situation of Monowi, Nebraska. Monowi is the only town in the United States with an official population of just one: Elise Eiler. She serves as the mayor and librarian. The Monowi library is in trouble and attendees have been sent by the Library of Congress to help her save the library. Elise Eiler believes that what is needed to save the library is locked inside her safety deposit box but she's forgotten the lock combinations.

“The night promises to be a lot of fun, but we never said it’s going to be easy!” said Rebecca Bradley (SCPL Outreach Librarian).

Megan Langlois (Youth Services Librarian), when asked about the break out rooms, said: “Planning the break out room has truly been a team effort, Rebecca, myself, and other library staff members have been working on this for a while and we’re excited to see it come to fruition. We had to limit the program to just 20 people, so we hope that everyone who wants to come will register before it fills up.”

The Library will be closed during the event, which means that the entire building will be involved in the life-size puzzle.

The Shelby County Public Library is located at 309 Eighth Street, Shelbyville, Kentucky. The Carnegie Library Center, the Library’s event space, is located at 731 College Street, Shelbyville. SCPL was built in 1903 stemming from a grant received from philanthropist Andrew Carnegie. The SCPL campus provides more than 30,000 square-feet for public use. Library cards are free for every resident of Shelby County, and allow the cardholder access to more than 50,000 items books, audiobooks, DVDs, and numerous online resources.

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