

Cherry coal mining collection on display at Hennepin library

Library to host Spring Valley coal mining history with author

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The Putnam County Public Library District has on display at its Hennepin headquarters a Cherry coal mining collection. An anonymous patron recently donated the collection to the library recently.

With National Coal Miners Day coming up Dec. 6, the library has a local collection to share with the public. Several hat lanterns, a wood box, a large painted image on glass of the Cherry Coal Mine and some miscellaneous tools the miners would have used are on display. The library will have a program Thursday, Dec. 5, "Spring Valley is a Mining Town" with author Richard Joyce discussing the history of Spring Valley coal mining from his book. Visitors will be able to buy his book afterward.

The collection will be on display through the end of January.

To submit a collection to display at the Hennepin library, contact Matt Miller at mmiller@putnamcountylibrary.org or 815-339-2088.



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