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Contact: Sarah Morrison, Librarian
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Re: Together We Read Digital Book Club
Attachments: *LeanOnMe_TWR-graphic.jpg*

The North Olympic Library System (NOLS) is joining public libraries nationwide in the digital reading program Together We Read, which offers simultaneous access to the same eBook for a two-week period. The eBook selection for this program is *Lean on Me* by Pat Simmons.

Lean on Me will be available to download with no waiting list through the Washington Anytime Library from February 19 through March 4. Readers will only need a library card and the Libby app to download a free copy of the eBook to their personal devices. Patrons are invited to participate in an online discussion after downloading the title. To join the discussion, or learn more about the program, visit togetherwewread.com/us.

Lean on Me tells the story of Tabitha Knicely, a woman overwhelmed with sorrow and exhaustion caring for her beloved great-aunt, whose dementia is getting worse. When her neighbor Marcus Whittington accuses Tabitha of elder neglect, he doesn't realize how his threats to have Aunt Tweet taken away add to Tabitha's pain. Then Marcus gets to know the exuberant elderly lady and sees up close how hard Tabitha is fighting to keep everything together. Tabitha finds herself leaning on Marcus more and he's becoming more than happy to share her burdens.

The Together We Read digital book club is facilitated by Rakuten OverDrive. To request one-on-one assistance from a NOLS staff member who can help you download eBooks and eAudiobooks to your personal mobile device, request an appointment at nols.org/technology-appointments.

The graphic features a background of a garden path with colorful string lights and a table with a fire pit. The text 'No one should have to go it alone...' is prominently displayed at the top. Below it is the 'TOGETHER WE READ US' logo, a date box for 'Feb. 19 - Mar. 4, 2020', and the hashtag '#togetherwread'. The book cover for 'Lean on Me' by Pat Simmons is shown on the right, with the title in yellow script and the author's name in white. The book cover also includes the series title 'Family Is Forever' at the top and the author's credentials 'Award-Winning and National Bestselling Author' at the bottom.

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