



## Message from the Director

September is Library Card Sign-up Month - a time when the American Library Association and libraries across the country remind parents that a library card is the most important school supply of all.

The observance was launched in 1987 to meet the challenge of then Secretary of Education William J. Bennett who said: "Let's have a national campaign...every child should obtain a library card - and use it." Since then, thousands of public and school libraries join each fall in a national effort to ensure every child does just that.

As your library, we play an important role in the education and development of children. Studies show that children who are read to in the home and who use the library perform better in school and are more likely to continue to use the library as a source of lifetime learning.

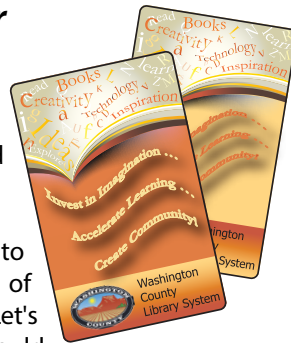
Our librarians are considered literacy experts, available to serve you and assist in your information needs. In addition to books, magazines, CDs and DVDs, computers, games, software, other multimedia materials, and e-books, we offer a variety of programs to stimulate an interest in reading and learning. Preschool story hours expose young children to the joy of reading. Summer reading clubs keep children reading during school vacation and have been shown to be the most important factor in avoiding the decrease in reading skills that educators refer to as "summer learning loss."

A library card is a key resource in achieving academic success, and the library is the perfect place to spend quality family time together. Even though the library is a valuable resource available to all residents of Washington County, there are many who have not taken advantage of it. There are many who do not have a library card. It does not matter how old you are...or aren't. Everyone should have a library card.



Again, September is Library Card Sign-up Month. Visit your library to get involved. Think about your friends and neighbors. Give them a copy of this newsletter and invite them to take advantage of this valuable resource and to get a library card.

Joel E. Tucker, Director  
Washington County Library System



## Technology Updates @ Your Library

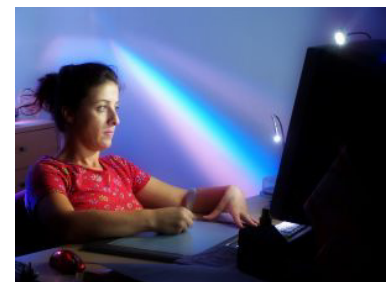
For decades, American libraries have served the public as a hub of timeless classics and new releases. But as technology has developed, so has the library's role. Books still dominate the shelves in libraries throughout the country, but patrons are seeking more than stories. In rural communities, 70 percent of libraries reported they are the only place that provides free Internet and computer access to their residents.

Students without computers at home need software to finish up school projects. Grandparents who have never turned on a computer want help tracking down online photos of their out-of-town grandbabies. The Library System offers Internet and wireless service to all of their patrons, and staying up to date with new technology is one of the focus areas of the Washington County Library System.

In keeping with this focus, Library Director Joel Tucker has recently received approval to replace and upgrade some of the older computers in the Internet Labs. Replacements for obsolete computers (from 2007 or older) throughout the Library System will be obtained with \$26,000 received from a Community Library Enhancement Fund (CLEF) grant.

Another recent improvement is an upgrade to the Wi-Fi system at the branches. New technology is being installed at each branch that will increase the speed of the internet available to patrons, as well as eliminate the need for a log on passphrase.

These are two examples of the efforts being made to improve patron services available through the Library System. Whether you visit your library branch to check out books, movies, or use the Internet, the Library System strives to provide everyone the same access to information and opportunities for success.



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### Library Branch Information

<b>St. George Library</b> 88 W. 100 S. 435-634-5737 Monday - Thursday 10:00 - 8:00 Friday and Saturday 10:00 - 6:00	<b>Springdale</b> 126 Lion Blvd. 435-772-3676 Monday - Thursday 10:00 - 7:00 Friday 10:00 - 5:00 Saturday 12:00 - 5:00
<b>Santa Clara</b> 1099 N. Lava Flow 435-986-0432 Monday - Thursday 10:00 - 7:00 Friday and Saturday 10:00 - 6:00	<b>New Harmony</b> 34 S. 2900 E. 435-867-0065 Monday - Thursday 10:00 - 7:00 Friday Closed Saturday 10:00 - 4:00
<b>Washington</b> 220 N. 300 E. 435-627-2706 Monday - Thursday 10:00 - 7:00 Friday and Saturday 10:00 - 6:00	<b>Enterprise</b> 393 S. 200 E. 435-878-2574 Monday 10:00 - 6:00 Tuesday - Thursday 10:00 - 7:00 Friday 10:00 - 6:00 Saturday 10:00 - 3:00
<b>Hurricane</b> 36 S. 300 W. 435-635-4621 Monday - Thursday 10:00 - 7:00 Friday and Saturday 10:00 - 6:00	



Cooler nights, rainy afternoons, and... was that a flash of red on that tree? Autumn is coming, and with it, homework, school supplies, and long lines of yellow buses. Yes, the school season is upon us. After all their hard work in school all day, wouldn't it be nice to treat your kids to a DVD from the library? Here are a few new ones that they may enjoy (after they've finished their homework, of course):

- AMERICAN GIRL: ISABELLE DANCES INTO THE SPOTLIGHT
- JOJO'S CIRCUS: ANIMAL A GO-GO
- JUSTIN AND THE KNIGHTS OF VALOR
- LEGO NINJAGO: BATTLE FOR NEW NINJAGO
- MUPPETS MOST WANTED
- MY LITTLE PONY: FRIENDSHIP IS MAGIC
- VEGGIETALES: THE LEAGUE OF INCREDIBLE VEGETABLES
- WHERE ON EARTH IS CARMEN SANDIEGO?
- THE WILD KRATTS

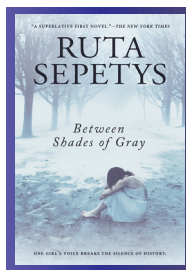
And, if you grown-ups want to watch a good movie after all the kids are in bed, here are a few recent additions to try:

- THE AMAZING SPIDER-MAN 2
- DIVERGENT
- NEED FOR SPEED
- NOAH
- THE OTHER WOMAN
- RAILWAY MAN

Checkouts are FREE with a Washington County Library Card (which will be a relief after shopping for school clothes and supplies), so come on in and find some DVDs that you and your family will love.

-Beth Meyers,  
St. George Library

### Book Review - "Between Shades Of Gray"



This debut novel by author Ruta Sepetys is one filled with drama and tragedy, interspersed with the indomitable spirit of hope. "Thinking back, the signs were there," writes 15-year-old Lina of the night in June 1941, when Stalin's secret police, the NKVD, stormed into her home in Lithuania. "Only later did I realize that Mother and Father intended we escape," she recalls. "We did not escape."

Lina, her 10-year-old brother Jonas, and her mother are eventually herded onto a boxcar jam-packed with other detainees—a teacher, a librarian, a banker, and others—including the wife and 17-year-old son of a Lithuanian officer who, like Lina's father, a provost at the university, has disappeared, presumed captured by the secret police. The car is labeled "Thieves and Prostitutes" to conceal that the occupants are educated, informed people considered to be a threat to Stalin's expanding empire.

In a journey fraught with terror, abuse and sorrow, Lina illustrates with her drawings the plight and path of her family and companions as they travel from labor camp to labor camp on their way to Siberia. The drawings, smuggled out of the labor camps, become clues to their destination that she hopes will lead to an eventual reunion with her father.

Although there is despair that travels throughout this journey, there is also love, hope and support as many of Lina's fellow prisoners aid one another in their struggle to survive.

After the author, Ruta Sepetys, learned that her father had fled with his parents to the United States during Stalin's brutal reign, she met with survivors in Lithuania, including her father's cousin. Reluctantly, and only after Sepetys promised not to reveal their names, they told their stories of capture and imprisonment by the Soviets. Although over half a century had passed since their ordeal began, they were still terrified of retaliation. Inspired by these stories, Sepetys decided to give voice to the Lithuanian victims of the Soviet regime, and so the story of Lina's journey was born.

Between Shades of Gray has become a favorite book club choice for adults, but it was originally designated for teens. In an April 2012 interview with "Entertainment Weekly", Sepetys tells how she was struck by its impact on this younger audience when she visited a school in Chicago and a boy summarized the story with this statement, "Your book is 'The Hunger Games', but for real. If you live, you win. If you die, you lose. I do not want to go to the Hunger Games."

The novel is scheduled to be filmed in Lithuania this year, although it will be renamed so as not to confuse viewers with E. L. James' book, *Fifty Shades of Gray*.

"Between Shades of Gray" will be discussed by the Page Turners book club for adults the second Tuesday in February 2015. For a list of other book clubs at the various libraries in Washington County, please log onto [www.library.washco.utah.gov](http://www.library.washco.utah.gov) and click on Branches. Then select the library of your choice to learn more about the book club meeting at that branch.

- Megan Liles,  
St. George Library



## Library Programs and Events

### St. George Branch

Mondays - Story Time with Grandpa Steve 10:00 & 11:00  
 Wednesdays-Story Time with Mrs. Mann 10:00, 11:00, 2:00 & 5:00  
 Thursdays - Toddler Time 10:00, 11:00 & 2:00 pm  
 Fridays - Toddler Time 11:00 am  
 Saturdays - Afternoon Movie Matinee 2:00 pm  
 Tuesday, September 2- Science Club for Kids 6:30 pm  
 Wednesday, September 3 - Teen Read Things, Make Things Club 4:30 pm  
 Tuesday, September 9- Art Club for Kids 6:30 pm  
 Tuesday, September 16 - Science Club for Kids - 6:30 pm  
 Tuesday, September 23- Art Club for Kids 6:30 pm

### New Harmony Branch

Wednesday's - Story Time 12:00 pm  
 Monday, September 8 - Kolob Korner Book Club 2:00 pm

### Hurricane Branch

Mondays & Tuesdays - Story Time 11:00 am & 1:00 pm  
 Wednesday's & Thursdays - Toddler Time 11:00 am & 1:00 pm  
 Fridays - Mom 'n Tots Playtime 11:00 am  
 Friday, September 12 - Anime & Manga Club 4:00 - 6:00 pm  
 Thursday, September 18 - Teen Book Club 3:30 pm  
 Friday, September 26 - Reader's Circle Book Club 3:00 pm

### Enterprise Branch

Wednesday's - Story Time 10:30 am  
 Wednesday's - Upcycle Art 3:00 pm  
 Fridays - Music and Movements (ages 0-6) 9:15 am  
 Wednesday, September 3 - "Drive-In Movie" Story Time  
 Friday, September 5 - Youth Writing Club 5:00 pm  
 Friday, September 12 - Youth Movie - "The Pirates! Band of Misfits" 1:30 pm  
 Tuesday, September 16 - Book Club 8:00 pm  
 Friday, September 26 - Youth Movie -  
 "Captain America : Winter Soldier" 1:30 pm

### Santa Clara Branch

Saturdays - Tai Chi 10:30 am  
 Wednesday's - Story Time 10:00 & 11:00 am  
 Tuesdays- Toddler Time 10:15 am  
 Tuesday, September 2 - Chapter One Book Club 5:30 pm  
 Wednesday, September 3 - Anime-Gamer Club 3:00 pm  
 Saturday, September 6 - Movie - "The Muppets Most Wanted" 4:00 pm  
 Monday, September 8 - Foreign Film Club 5:00 pm  
 Wednesday, September 10 - Anime-Gamer Club 3:00 pm  
 Tuesday, September 16 - Teen Craft Club 3:00 pm  
 Wednesday, September 17 - Foreign Film Club Special Event -  
 Screening of "The Straight Story" 5:00 pm  
 Friday, September 19 - Science Club for Kids 4:00 pm  
 Wednesday, September 17 - Anime-Gamer Club 3:00 pm  
 Thursday, September 18 & 25 - Memoir Writing Workshop 2:00 - 4:00 pm  
 Wednesday, September 24 - Anime-Gamer Club 3:00 pm

### Washington Branch

Tuesdays - Toddler Time 10:00 & 11:00 am  
 Wednesday thru Friday - Story Time 10:30 am  
 Saturday, September 13 - Movie "Muppets Most Wanted" 11:00 am  
 Saturday, September 13- Mother-Daughter Book Club 3:00 pm  
 Thursday, September 18 - Book Ends Book Club 4:30 pm  
 Thursday, September 25 - Teen Movie "Captain America 2" 4:30 pm

## Library Employee of the Month

Emily Jurgensmeier has been chosen as the July Library Employee of the Month. During one of the library's busiest months of the year, Emily was asked to step up and work as the library supervisor for the entire month.

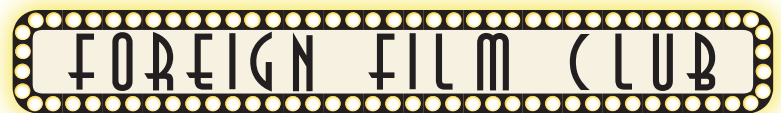


Without hesitation, Emily willingly took on the responsibility of managing 7 Circulation clerks, 5 substitutes, and approximately 8 volunteers. She was responsible for scheduling the circulation staff, as well as coordinating the volunteers to ensure a smooth flow for the heavy workload.

With the St. George branch servicing an average of 1000 patrons daily and handling a high volume of both check-outs and check-ins (approximately 47-50,000 items each) it required Emily to exhibit a high level of efficiency and organization to move the materials in and out of the library on a daily basis.

She has taken the initiative to train on all of the Reference online databases through the Utah State Library. With her expertise in using E-readers, she is able to provide quality service at the Reference and Circulation desks. She gives a great first and lasting impression of the library with her awesome service. Congratulations to Emily!

-Joel Tucker, Director  
 Washington County Library System



"Once Upon a Time in Anatolia" (2011) is the Foreign Film Club's movie pick of the month. This crime drama film from Turkey begins with the local prosecutor, police commissar, and doctor all leading a search for a victim of a murder.

A suspect, Kenan, and his mentally challenged brother confess to the murder however, the search is proving more difficult than expected as Kenan is fuzzy as to the body's exact location. As the group continues looking, its members can't help but chat among themselves about both trivia and their deepest concerns in an investigation that is proving more trying than any of them expected.

Check out this true gem of a film and see what happens as the investigation unfolds. You will be glad you did!

The Foreign Film Club meets the first Monday of every month at 5:00. A discussion of this film will be held on October 7, 2014 in the Community Room at the Santa Clara Library.

For more information contact Pam Zaferes at the Santa Clara Library, 435-986-0432, ex 2411



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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