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## Message From The Director

March, and the march of time...

Daily, weekly, yearly we have things that change. In fact everything in this life changes, but some things change so slowly and are most often imperceptible, like our beautiful Southern Utah red rocks. These rocks are shaped by erosion which can consist of water, wind, and such forces. To our eye the scenery around us seems to stay the same, but this is a misconception based on perception and the lack of time perspective. There is a little nursery rhyme that is as follows:

#### **March Winds**

March winds and April showers
Bring forth May flowers.

With time and experience we can see wind is not all bad, and it brings rain which we certainly need in our area not only to support the flowers, but also us. We sometimes reference the "Winds of Change" and the invisible forces at work that cause change. March as referenced above is often windy, but why so windy—you may be asking. At the library we seek to answer questions, and as we have put the query out there here is an answer: "So often March is windy and rainy. What is the explanation behind the chilly winds of March? Sharp contrasts of cold air to the north and warm air to the south create March winds. As the Earth rotates toward the sun and daylight increases, the atmosphere warms. When warm southern air and cool northern air meet, the differences in temperature creates pressure. This pressure creates wind."

https://donnallong.com/march-winds/

The library is in a period of change, and like erosion upon the rocks we see each day that amaze us, forces impact us from the outside. We hope the winds that blow bring us good change, and make our flower garden grow. Outside factors like inflation, new material formats, and so many other things do help to shape us and keep us sharp. Some have asked why we don't move to streaming video, and the short answer is expense and a market-

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place which has a financially prohibitive and unsustainable model. With eBook content we are doing much, but we are in a period of balance as print is still demanded. Where we end up, time will only tell.

Alan Anderson, Director Washington County Library System

## National Women's History Month

In 1987 the US Congress designated March as National Women's History Month. This creates a special opportunity to recognize and celebrate the often-overlooked achievements made by American women.



The theme for 2024 is "Women Who Advocate for Equity, Diversity and Inclusion." The theme recognizes the women who are committed to create a positive and inclusive culture tho create a change for the better in our society.

Women's History Month offers the opportunity to reflect on the contributions of women in U.S. history. Did you know that Abigail Adams was the wife and mother to two U.S. presidents? She also was an early advocate for women's rights, female education, and the abolition of slavery.

Susan B. Anthony and Elizabeth Cady Stanton paved the way for women to receive the right to vote. Susan B. Anthony was so passionate about the right for women to be included in voting for elected officials that she took matters into her own hands in 1872 - she illegally voted in the presidential election, and was arrested and fined for voting.

And many women have worked for civil rights, namely Sojourner Truth, Rosa Parks, and Coretta Scott King. These are just a few of the women who made changes to history through their perseverance and grit, paving the way for a better future for generations to come. Find out more about these fascinating women of history @ your library!

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## Employee Spotlight

I am pleased to present Chet Loveland as the Employee Spotlight for the month of February.

Chet has been moving books between New Harmony and Saint George for a number of years now. Chet lives in New Harmony and works in St. George fulltime for Intermountain Health Care, and on his way to and from work shuttles books for the library.



He is a hard worker and keeps library material flowing between branches regularly and without problems. Chet is a behind the scenes worker that you won't often see at the library, and New Harmony is the benefactor of his service. He raised a family, and is the father of four children and the grandfather of two. He loves to vacation with family and has time set aside each year to do so.

A fun fact about Chet, he enjoys being a referee for high school sports. If you were to ask him about his ideal day, he would probably tell you that it would include a long walk on the beach with the sand between his toes and at the end of such a day he would be holding a soft, fluffy puppy.

We appreciate our couriers, and all they do to help keep the library a valuable resource for the community. If you see Chet, tell him thanks. Congratulations Chet.

> - Alan Anderson, Director

## New York Times Best Sellers -**Hardcover Fiction and Nonfiction**

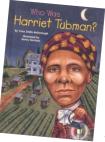
### FICTION:

- 1. The Women by Kristin Hannah
- 2. House of Flame and Shadow by Sarah Maas
- 3. Fourth Wing
- by Rebecca Yarros
- 4. Iron Flame by Rebecca Yarros
- 5. The Heaven & Earth Grocery Show by
- James McBride
- 6. First Lie Wins by Ashley Elston
- 7. Gothinkana
- by RuNyx
- 8. Lessons in Chemistry by Bonnie Garmus
- 9. Crosshairs by James Patterson & James Born 10. The Chaos Agent by Mark Greaney

### **NONFICTION:**

- 1. The Wager by David Grann
- 2. Outlive by Peter Attia with **Bill Giffors**
- 3. Oath and Honor by Liz Cheney
- 4. Medgar & Myrlie by Joy-Ann Reid
- 5. Why We Remember
- by Charan Ranganath 6. Friends, Lovers, and the Big
- Terrible Thing by Matthew Perry
- 7. Splinters
- by Leslie Jamison
- 8. Elon Musk
- by Walter Isaacson
- 9. This American Ex-Wife
- by Lyz Lenz
- 10. I'm Glad My Mom Died
- by Jennette McCurdy

## Harriet Tubman - A Woman of History



There have been many women throughout our nation's history who have had a huge impact on life as we know it today - Eleanor Roosevelt, Rosa Parks, and Amelia Earhart to name a few.

To celebrate Women's History Month in March, I wanted to highlight one particularly inspiring woman who I recently read about in a book titled, "Who Was Harriet Tubman?" In this book, I learned about the legacy that she

created through her brave actions.

Harriet was born into slavery sometime in March of 1822, but eventually escaped her shackles in 1849. While free, she went over 13 missions and freed over 70 enslaved people. She got the nickname Moses, because like Moses in the bible, she worked hard to lead many of her people to freedom. What she did took a lot of strength and bravery, and I feel deep admiration towards her. You can learn more about Harriet and many other women who shaped history. Visit your library and you can find books that will let you explore and learn more about their journeys.

> - Jill Nethercott, St. George Library



As we all know, it is very difficult to catch a leprechaun. The rewards for doing so, of course, are immense: wishes, gold, and possibly a very small friend to call your own, depending on the leprechaun. But, given how unpredictable wishes are, and how elusive leprechauns are rumored to be, it may be better to leave off trying to catch a leprechaun for now. Instead, you could try to capture a DVD from the library. It's much easier, requires only a library card, and it is likelier to succeed. We've got a few ideas for DVDs to capture right here:

### **MOVIES**

- Independent
- Next Goal Wins
- Migration
- Ocean Boy
- Wonka
- Cleopatra (Billy Zane Version)
- Marvels

### **TELEVISION**

- · Fear the Walking Dead -Season 8
- · Ghosts Season 5
- Beyond Paradise-Season 1
- Really Loud House-Season 1
- Nova:Nazca Desert Mystery

If you do catch a leprechaun and gain his hoard of gold, you won't have to spend any of it to check out a DVD. They're FREE to borrow with your Washington County Library Card. Come by the library on St. Patrick's Day, or any other day of the week (Mon-Sat) to try your hand at DVD capture. You're guaranteed to have a lot more success than trying to capture a leprechaun!

## **Library Programs and Events**

### Enterprise Branch

Wednesdays - Story Time 11:00 am Wednesdays - Youth Activities 3:00 pm

#### Hildale Branch

Wednesdays - Story Time 11:00 am
Monday, March 11 - Lego Club 5:00 pm
Wednesday, March 13 - Teen Craft 3:00 pm
Saturday, March 16 - Anime Club 2:15 pm
Saturday, March 23 - Movie Matinee 12:00 pm
Tuesday, March 26 - STEM Club 4:30 pm
Thursday, March 28 - Adult Book Club 5:00 pm

#### Hurricane Branch

Mondays - Story Time 10:30 am
Tuesdays - Dungeons & Dragons 7:00 pm
Wednesdays - D&D Meet-Up 5:00 pm
Thursdays - Dungeons & Dragons 6:00 pm
Friday, March 1- Readers Circle Book Club 3:00 pm
Wednesday, March 6 - Teen Time 3:30 pm
Thursday, March 7- Science Club 4:00 pm
Tuesday, March 12 - Arts & Crafts Club 4:00 pm
Wednesday, March 13 & 27 - Crochet Club 3:30 pm
Thursday, March 14 & 28 - Lego Club 4:00 pm
Wednesday, March 20 - Jr. Dungeons & Dragons
Thursday, March 21- Reading with Molly and Friends 4:00 pm
Tuesday, March 26 - Zookeepers Club 2:30 pm

### New Harmony Branch

Mondays - Adult Art Class 1:00 pm Wednesdays - Story Time 11:00 am Thursdays - Adult Exercise Class 11:15 am Thursdays - Lego Club 4:00 pm Monday, March 11 - Dungeons & Dragons 4:00 pm Friday, March 15 - Novel Ideas Book Club 1:00 pm

Mondays - English/Spanish Story Time 11:00 am

#### St. George Branch

Mondays- Afternoon Story Time 1:00 pm
Wednesdays - Story Time 10:00, 11:00, 2:00 & 5:00 pm
Thursdays - Toddler Time 11:00 am
Fridays- Toddler Time 11:00 am
Saturdays - Movie Matinee 2:00 pm
Tuesday, March 5 & 19 - Science Club for Kids 4:30 pm
Thursday, March 7 - Library Adult Program 6:00 pm
Tuesday, March 12 - Pageturners Book Club 2:30 pm
Tuesday, March 12 & 26 - Art Club for Kids 4:30 pm
Thursday, March 14 - Adult Program 6:00 pm
Thursday, March 21 - Teen Night 5:00 pm
Tuesday, March 26 - Block Busters Book to Film Group 6:00 pm

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### Santa Clara Branch

Mondays - Story Time for Toddlers 10:30 & 11:30 am
Tuesdays - Family Play Group 10:30 am
Wednesdays - Story Time for 4s & 5s 10:30 & 11:30 am
Wednesday - Teens After School 3:00 pm
Thursdays - Baby Story Time 11:30 am
Thursdays - Chess Club 4:00 pm
Fridays - Spanish Story Time 10:30 am
Saturdays - Tai Chi 10:30 pm
Friday, March 8 - Art 4 Kids 3:00 pm
Monday, March 11 - Lego Club 4:00 pm
Tuesday, March 12 - Chapter One Book Club 3:30 pm
Thursday, March 21 - P.A.W.S. for Tales 4:00 pm
Friday, March 22 - Kid's Root Beer Float Book Club\* 3:00 pm
\*Registration is required

#### Springdale Branch

Wednesdays - Story Time 10:30 am
Saturdays - Adult Dungeons & Dragons 2:30 pm
Wednesday, March 13 - Book Club 11:30 am
Thursday, March 14- Jr. Dungeons & Dragons 5:00 pm
Wednesday, March 27 - 'Tween Book Club 4:00 pm
Thursday, March 28- Writer's Group 12:00 pm
Thursday, March 28 - Library Craft Night 5:00 pm
Friday, March 29 - Mystery Party 6:30 pm \*registration required

#### Washington Branch

Tuesdays - Story Time 10:00 & 11:00 am
Wed.- Fri. - Story Time 10:30 am
Thursday, March 1 - P.A.W.S. for Tales 4:00 pm
Wednesday, March 7, 14, 21 & 28 - Teen Events 4:00 pm
Monday, March 4,11,8,18 - Genealogy Basics 4:00 pm
Monday, March 4,11,18,25 - Spanish Classes 6:00 pm
Thursday, March 14 & 28 - Coding Club for Kids 4:00 pm
Thursday, March 7,14,21, & 28 - English Classes 5:30 pm
Tuesday, March 19 - Open Music Night 6:00 pm
Thursday, March 21 - Book Ends Book Club 4:30 pm
Tuesday, March 26 - Arts & Crafts Club 2:00 pm



Washington County Library System is pleased to partner with In-N-Out Burger to bring you the Cover to Cover Library Reading Program.

The program will begin on Saturday, March 2<sup>nd</sup> and will end on Saturday, April 13<sup>th</sup>. The

program gives families with young readers ages 4-12 an opportunity to earn a free hamburger or cheeseburger.

Children who read five books, or read for 300 minutes, will earn a certificate for a free hamburger or cheeseburger! If a child is unable to read on their own, a parent or guardian may read to them. For more information or to register for the program, speak to the Children's Librarian at your local library branch.

