



Message From The Director

Though the Eyes of a Child

December is upon us and like many things, it is best viewed through the eyes of a child. The magic of Christmas and all the wonder of the season, along with the greatest excitements, can be found best in the simple joys of life. The library much like Christmas, is best discovered by young children, as introduced by parents.

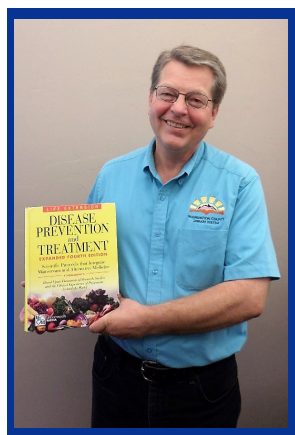
My own introduction to the library as a child was a Bookmobile. In the eyes of a child it was big and wonderful, and stopped near my home. I didn't have to go up and into town to get a book. The Bookmobile librarian / driver helped and encouraged my reading with suggestions and good recommendations.

Later, coming full circle, my first library job was as a Bookmobile librarian / driver. As an adult, while it was a fun job, I realized it was not so magical through the eyes of an adult. It only held about two thousand books and it broke down on occasion. Regular maintenance was required, and when it rained a new roof leak could appear from nowhere, or if you didn't go slow enough through an intersection with deep gutter systems, the motion could propel hundreds of books onto the floor.

Trends in the world around us are ever in motion. Some things seem to be falling to the floor on a regular basis. We see more children losing a love for reading. Worse yet, some never discovering a love of reading, or not even being introduced to the magical imagination-expanding worlds of reading or discovery. We need balance in life to be well rounded; reading seems to be relegated to the back seat and suffers from too much electronic time.

In the modern world we all tend to be a little over programmed, even children. At the library we still try to be helpful, like my Bookmobile librarian / driver. Every day at the library can be like Christmas morning as you discover new books, old newspapers, magazines, DVDs, electronic books, Play-a-ways, databases, and the list goes on. We thank parents and grandparents for helping children discover the library. We thank our patrons old and young, and hope you find some of the simple joys of life this Christmas season. Merry Christmas from the library!

Alan Anderson, Director
Washington County Library System



Holiday Movies @ Your Library

It's that time of the year again~ the holiday season is upon us, and with it comes merriment, joy, gift-giving, family, and friends. Here are some of our favorite holiday movies to enjoy with your family and friends that are available @ your library:

It's a Wonderful Life (1946) ~ Director Frank Capra's classic tale of George Bailey, a desperate man who is visited by an angel who shows him how important one life can be.

A Christmas Carol ~ Charles Dicken's tale of Ebenezer Scrooge, who thinks Christmas is humbug until he is visited by the ghosts of Christmas Past, Present and Future. Available in many animated and live action versions.

White Christmas (1954) ~ Featuring Bing Crosby and Danny Kaye, this popular musical tells of two performers who put on a Christmas fundraiser to help their former army general. Music by Irving Berlin.

A Christmas Story (1983) ~ This movie follows the exploits of Ralphie Parker, who dreams of getting a Red Ryder BB gun for Christmas. Based on the writings of Jean Shepherd.

Elf (2003) ~ Will Ferrell plays the part of Buddy, a toddler who was accidentally brought to the North Pole and raised among Santa's elves, who finds his real father in New York City and infuses those he meets with the spirit of Christmas.

The Polar Express (2004) ~ Based on the beloved children's book by Chris Van Allsburg, this is the story of a doubting young boy who takes an extraordinary trip to the North Pole and learns that the wonder of life never fades for those who believe.

How the Grinch Stole Christmas ~ The classic story by Dr. Seuss is available in the original animated version (1966), as well as the live action movie (2000). Find out how the mean, green Grinch finds the spirit of Christmas.

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It has recently come to our attention that Santa keeps a list of naughty and nice people for his gift-giving on Christmas. As librarians, we wish to put forward our case for being the nicest of nice girls and boys. After all, librarians provide access to hundreds and hundreds of DVDs for people to check out once they have a library card. Just in case you're reading this, Mr. Santa sir, here are a few of the recent DVDs we've added:

MOVIES

- HATCHING
- INHABITAT
- JERRY & MARGE GO LARGE
- MK ULTRA
- SLAYERS
- THREE THOUSAND YEARS OF LONGING
- R.I.P.D.2

TELEVISION

- DISCOVERY OF WITCHES- SEASON 3
- DOOM PARTOL - SEASON 3
- MURDOCH MYSTERIES - SEASON 15
- PEACEMAKER - SEASON 1
- SILENT WITNESS -SEASON 25
- POKEMON JOURNEYS - SEASON 25

And just because we're extra and especially nice, DVDs are FREE to check out with your Washington County Library Card. So, whether you're Santa trying to finalize your naughty & nice list, or just someone who's looking for a great DVD, come by the library and check something out.



The Washington County Library System is working together with local charities to help those in need during the holidays. The libraries will be gathering essentials, gift cards, and toys that will be distributed to various charities. Branches that do not have a giving tree set up will accept donations and send them to a branch to add to the donated items to be distributed.

This year's donations will be taken to the Dove Center, The Children's Justice Center, and Canyon Creek Services for those in need. The Library System would like to thank all of the patrons and community members who support the Giving Tree!

Employee Spotlight

I would like to announce the Employee Spotlight for November - Lexi DeGraw from the Springdale branch! Lexi is a good fit at the Springdale branch-she is always enthusiastic, ready to take on any role needed and is a pleasure to work with. She is also a patron favorite and is a wealth of knowledge about children's and young adult books.



She was so excited about all of the Fall/Halloween activities and was instrumental in planning and hosting the themed Murder Mystery Party. Lexi's favorite holiday is Halloween, and she represented the library as a volunteer at the PTA Halloween Carnival.

Lexi started working as a part-time Library Clerk at Springdale in early 2022. She immediately took on her role with gusto. Lexi grew up in Washington County and has been visiting the Hurricane Branch Library for many years. When Lexi isn't using her talents at the library, she works as a freelance content editor for small publishing companies and independent authors.

Lexi has two dogs and one cat and is currently working with her husband remodeling their home in Hurricane. Lexi enjoys horror in all forms whether it is in movies, books, or videogames. She is a voracious reader and enjoys many topics such as fantasy, mythology, humanities, snakes, wolves, steampunk, etc. When not reading or working Lexi can be found making miniatures or on her aerial hoop (lyra).

- Alan Anderson, Director

New York Times Best Sellers - Hardcover Fiction and Nonfiction

FICTION:

1. *The Boys From Biloxi* by John Grisham
2. *The Lost Metal* by Brandon Sanderson
3. *Fairy Tale* by Stephen King
4. *Desert Star* by Michael Connelly
5. *Dreamland* by Nicholas Sparks
6. *Going Rogue* by Janet Evanovich
7. *No Plan B* by Lee Child and Andrew Child
8. *Lessons in Chemistry* by Bonnie Garmus
9. *Mad Honey* by Jodi Picoult and Jennifer Finney Boylan
10. *Triple Cross* by James Patterson

NONFICTION:

1. *The Light We Carry* by Michelle Obama
2. *So Help Me God* by Mike Pence
3. *Friends, Lovers, and the Big Terrible Thing* by Matthew Perry
4. *Surrender* by Bono
5. *I'm Glad My Mom Died* by Jennette McCurdy
6. *A Book of Days* by Patti Smith
7. *And There Was Light* by Jon Meacham
8. *Cinema Speculation* by Quentin Tarantino
9. *The Revolutionary* by Stacy Schiff
10. *The Philosophy of Modern Song* by Bob Dylan

Library Programs and Events

Hurricane Branch

Mondays- Thursdays - Story Time 10:30 am
Mondays & Wednesdays - Dungeons & Dragons 6:00 pm
Tuesdays & Thursdays - Dungeons & Dragons 7:00 pm
Wednesdays - Dungeons & Dragons Gathering 5:00 pm
Thursday, Dec. 1 - Science Club 2:00 pm
Friday, Dec. 2 - Readers Circle Book Club 3:00 pm
Wednesday, Dec. 7 - Magic the Gathering 3:00 pm
Wednesday, Dec. 7 - Teen Time 3:30 pm
Thursday, Dec. 8 & 22 - Lego Club 4:00 pm
Wednesday, Dec. 14 - Story Time Christmas Party 10:30 & 11:30 am
Wednesday, Dec. 14 - Crochet Club 3:30 pm
Thursday, Dec. 15 - Art Club 2:30 pm
Thursday, Dec. 15 - Reading with Molly 4:00 pm

Santa Clara Branch

Mondays - Baby Story Time 11:00 am
Mondays - Tai Chi 12:30 pm
Tuesdays - Toddler Time 10:30 & 11:30 am (No Story Time on 12/27)
Wednesdays - Story Time 10:30 & 11:30 am (No Story Time on 12/28)
Wednesdays - Teens After School 3:00 pm
(No activity s 12/21 or 12/28)
Thursdays - Yahweh Yoga for Seniors 10:30 am
Fridays - Spanish Story Times 10:30 am
(No Story Time on 12/26)
Saturdays - Tai Chi 10:30 pm
Friday, Dec. 2 - Drawing Class for Adults 4:00 pm
Friday, Dec. 9- Art 4 Kids 4:00 pm
Monday, Dec. 12 - Lego Club 4:00 pm
Tuesday, Dec. 13 - Chapter One Book Club 5:30 pm
Thursday, Dec. 15 - P.A.W.S. for Tales 4:00 pm
Monday, Dec. 19 - Teen Holiday Party 3:00 pm
Wednesday, Dec. 21 - Frosty's Winter Solstice 3:00 pm

St. George Branch

Mondays - English/Spanish Story Time 11:00 am
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
Thursday, Dec. 1 - Paper Wreath Craft (Sign up required) 6:00 pm
Monday, Dec. 5 - P.A.W.S. for Tales 4:00 pm
Tuesday, Dec. 6 & 20- Science Club for Kids 4:30 pm
Thursday, December 8 - Line Dancing 6:00 pm
Tuesday, Dec. 13 & 27 - Art Club for Kids 4:30 pm
Tuesday, Dec. 13 - Pageturners Book Club 2:30 pm
Thursday, Dec. 15 - Teen Night 5:00 pm
Thursday, Dec. 22 - Children's Christmas Party 2:00 pm

Springdale Branch

Wed., Thurs., Fri. - Story Time by Request
Wednesday, Dec. 14 - Book Club 11:30 am

Library Programs and Events

New Harmony Branch

Mondays - Adult Art Class 1:00 pm
Mondays- Lego Club 4:00 pm
Tuesdays - Sit N' Stitch 2:00 pm
Wednesdays - Story Time 11:00 am
Thursday, Dec. 1 & 15 - Pilates Stretch 11:00 am
Thursday, Dec. 1 - Instapot Cooking 4:30 pm
Friday, Dec. 9 - Teen Christmas Gift Workshop 2:00 pm
Friday, Dec. 16 - Novel Ideas Book Club 1:00 pm
Wednesday, Dec. 21 - Santa Storytime 11:00 am

Washington Branch

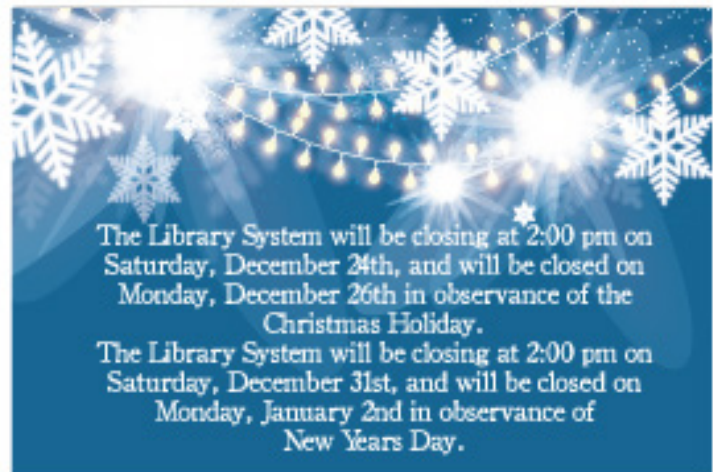
Tuesdays - Story Time 10:00 & 11:00 am
Wed.- Fri. - Story Time 10:30 am (No Story Time Dec. 27-30)
Thursday, Dec. 1 - P.A.W.S. for Tales 4:00 pm
Wednesday, Dec. 7 - Teen Nerd Herd 4:00 pm
Thursday, Dec. 8 - Coding Club for Kids 4:00 pm
Monday, Dec. 12 - Library Techies 2:00 pm
Tuesday, Dec. 13 - Home School @ the Library 1:00 pm
Wednesday, Dec. 14 - Teen Program 4:00 pm
Thursday, Dec. 15 - Book Ends Book Club 4:30 pm
Tuesday, Dec. 20 - Open Music Night 6:00 pm
Wednesday, Dec. 21 - Teen Program 4:00 pm
Friday, Dec. 23 - Christmas Party 11:00 am
Tuesday, Dec. 27 - Arts & Crafts Club 2:00 pm
Wednesday, Dec. 28 - Booklanders Book Club 4:00 pm

Hildale Branch

Wednesdays - Story Time 11:00 am
Thursday, Dec. 8 & 22 - Adult Yoga 5:30 pm
Saturday, Dec. 10 - Story Time @ Cherish Families 10:00 am
Wednesday, Dec. 14 - Teen Craft 5:00 pm
Saturday, Dec. 17 - Anime Club 2:15 pm
Tuesday, Dec. 20 - Winter Reading Wrap Up Party 1:00 pm
Thursday, Dec. 22 - Movie Matinee 3:00 pm

Enterprise Branch

Wednesdays - Story Time 11:00 am (No activity on 12/28)
Wednesdays - Youth Activities 3:00 pm
(No activity on 12/21 or 12/28)
Fridays - Movie Matinees 1:00 pm
Thursday, Dec. 1 & 15 - Service Club 11:00 am
Wednesday, Dec. 14 - Santa at the Library 4:00 pm



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<h1>December 2022</h1>				1 St. George Library 11:00 am Toddler Time 6:00 pm Adult Program Washington Library 10:30 am Story Time 4:00 pm P.A.W.S. for Tales Hurricane Library 10:30 am Story Time 2:00 pm Science Club 7:00 pm Dungeons & Dragons New Harmony Library 11:00 am Pilates Stretch Santa Clara Library 10:30 am Yahweh Yoga for Seniors	2 St. George Library 11:00 am Toddler Time Washington Library 10:30 am Story Time Enterprise Library 1:00 pm Movie Matinee New Harmony Library 4:30 pm Instapot Cooking and recipes from USU Extension Santa Clara Library 4:00 pm Adult Drawing Class	3 Santa Clara Library 10:30 am Tai Chi St. George Library 2:00 pm Movie Matinee
4	5 Santa Clara Library 11:00 am Baby Story Time St. George Library 11:00 am Spanish Story Time 1:00 pm Story Time with Miss Jill New Harmony Library 1:00 pm Adult Art Class 4:00 pm Lego Club Hurricane Library 10:30 am Story Time 4:30 pm YA Book Club 6:00 pm Dungeons & Dragons	6 Washington Library 10:00 & 11:00 am Story Time Hurricane Library 10:30 am Story Time 7:00 pm Dungeons & Dragons New Harmony Library 2:00 pm Sit and Stitch St. George Library 4:30 pm Science Club for Kids	7 St. George Library 10:00, 11:00, 2:00 & 5:00 Story Time Washington Library 10:30 am Story Time 4:00 pm Teen Event Hildale Library 11:00 am Story Time Hurricane Library 10:30 am Story Time 3:30 pm Crochet Club 5:00 D&D Gathering 6:00 pm Dungeons & Dragons Springdale Library 11:30 am Book Club Santa Clara Library 10:30 & 11:30 am Story Time 3:00 pm Teen Time	8 St. George Library 11:00 am Toddler Time 6:00 pm Line Dancing Washington Library 10:30 am Story Time Hurricane Library 10:30 am Story Time 2:00 pm Science Club 7:00 pm Dungeons & Dragons Santa Clara Library 10:30 am Yahweh Yoga for Seniors	9 St. George Library 11:00 am Toddler Time Washington Library 10:30 am Story Time Enterprise Library 1:00 pm Movie Matinee Santa Clara Library 4:00 pm Art 4 Kids New Harmony Library 2:00 pm Teen Christmas Gift Workshop	10 Santa Clara Library 10:30 am Tai Chi St. George Library 2:00 pm Movie Matinee
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