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## Message From The Director

As the goblins and ghouls of October become yesterday's news, everyone turns, most with anticipation, to the holiday season. While there may be some Scroogie type people out there, and while sometimes black Friday leaves a black eye on civility, for the most part, to me anyway, people seem happier. The year is ending, people are more thankful, and people are generally nicer. Well, let the holidays begin!

In that spirit, I would like to take a moment and thank you for making the library a part of your life. There are some communities out there that have lost access to a library, lost hours, or lost funding due to lack of support. Fortunately, we are not one of those libraries. We have seen a decline in usage of some of our physical resources and onsite visits, but our e-resources are on the rise. In short, more people are using the library to access e-books and e-audiobooks through Overdrive and RBDigital.

To help make the library more valuable to you, your friends, and your neighbors, we are investing more into our e-resources. We have recently invested into RBDigital's simultaneous checkout for almost all of their collection. We will not have access to the latest releases until they've been out for a bit, but you can read up through the series by the time that delayed release is available. Also, we are working with the state library and its consortium to beef up Overdrive, upping the selection of e-books and e-audiobooks on that platform.

In additional to the e-resources, we continue to develop our physical collection. Though physical circulation is on the decline, and e-circulation is on the rise, we still check out over a million more physical items than e-resources. We are still getting the latest books, movies, audiobooks, children's mate-

rials, and so much more.

To top it all off, with an increased focus on marketing, our usage and programming stats are on the rise. Yeah! Spread the word, invite your friends, and THANK YOU for making the library a part of your life.

Joel E. Tucker, Director Washington County Library System



For most of us, Veterans Day means a chance to enjoy an extra day off from school or work. However this November 11th, be sure to spend a few minutes on its true purpose, by acknowledging the men and women who have served in our armed forces. These include the members of the US Army, Navy, Marine Corps, Air Force and the Coast Guard.

Previously known as Armistice Day, it was originally meant to commemorate the veterans of World War 1. After

the the second World War and the Korean Conflict, many people felt that it should include all veterans. With the approval of legislation in 1954, November 11th became a day to honor American veterans of all wars for their patriotism, love of country, and willingness to serve and sacrifice for the common good.

The Library will observe the holiday on Monday, November 11<sup>th</sup> and will be closed. The Library would like to acknowledge all of the brave men and women who sacrifice everything to make this world a safer place for the rest of us. We are grateful for your service.





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Is your diurnal rhythm off a little? Do you find yourself saying, "I can't believe how dark it is!" at 6:00 in the evening? Do you feel well-rested in the morning, but oddly sleepy well before your normal bedtime? You may be affected by the condition known as "Daylight Savings Time." While often more severe in the Spring, Daylight Savings Time has been known (perhaps? we're not scientists) to cause euphoria, despair, and exclamations of, "What the heck is the time?!?" Treatments generally include staying in bed for two weeks, changing clocks in your house but forgetting at least one, and zoning out to some library DVDs to wait things out until you're used to the time change. If you opt for the latter treatment, may we suggest some of these recent additions?

#### MOVIES:

- ANNA
- CHERNOBYL: A 5-PART MINISERIES
- HARVEST LOVE
- HOME FOR CHRISTMAS DAY
- SPIDER-MAN, FAR FROM HOME PAVAROTTI
- X-MEN, DARK PHOENIX
- YESTERDAY (Himesh Patel version)

#### **DOCUMENTARIES:**

- AMERICA'S BOOK OF SECRETS, 1-2
- COUNTRY MUSIC
- FIRST HORSE WARRIORS
- GAME CHANGERS
- LOST VIKING ARMY
- WHAT WE LEFT BEHIND: LOOKING BACK AT STARTREK: DEEP SPACE NINE

We don't want to throw you for yet another loop; that's why DVDs are FREE to borrow with your Washington County Library Card. (And also because we're a library and that's kind of what we do.) So come on by the library and pick up some DVDs. You just might feel a little better about Daylight Savings Time! (Side effects of library DVDs may include getting sucked in by the plot, talking with everyone you know about what you learned from a documentary, and gasping as that one character does that really cool/terrible/unexpected thing.) -Beth Meyers,

St. George Library

# New York Times Best Sellers -Hardcover Fiction and Nonfiction

#### FICTION:

- 1. The Testaments by Margaret Atwood
- 2. The Institute
- by Stephen King
- 3. Where the Crawdads Sing by Delia Owens
- 4. Killer Instinct by James
- Patterson & Howard Roughan
- 5. The Oracle
- by Jonathan Cahn
- 6. The Girl Who Lived Twice
- by David Lagercrantz
- 7. The Titanic Secret by Clive Cussler and Jack Du Brul
- 8. Vendetta in Death By J.D. Robb
- 9. A Better Man
- by Louise Penny
- 10. The Secrets We Kept

by Lara Prescott

## **NONFICTION:**

- 1. Talking to Strangers by Malcom Gladwell
- 2. Call Sign Chaos
- by Jim Mathis and Bing West
- 3. Educated
- by Tara Westover
- 4. The Education of an Idealist
- by Samantha Power
- 5. The Only Plane in the Sky
- by Garrett Graff
- 6. She Said
- by Jodi Kantor and Megan Twohey
- 7. How To
- by Randall Munroe
- 8. Will My Cat eat My Eyeballs
- by Caitlin Doughty
- 9. Radicals, Resistance and Revenge by Jeanine Pirro
- 10. Becoming by Michelle Obama

# Employee Spotlight



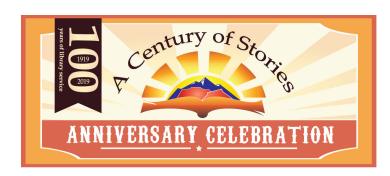
It is my pleasure to present to you the Library Spotlight for October. He is a man that works behind the scenes, unknown by most, but who has a high impact on the success of the library system. He is the man that ensures that the patron in Springdale has access to the book on the Santa Clara shelf. He is our courier! He is, the one, the only, Michael Paxman!

Mike started as a substitute courier the summer of 2018, but when the previous courier resigned in November, we brought him on in a more permanent part time position. He started off by introducing himself to the managers (via email) and offering his help as needed. He comes in early in the morning and does the run before anybody has started. He aids St. George with recycling, which is no small job considering all the cardboard boxes processed through tech services. When a courier for the small branches is unavailable, he offers and assists in making extra runs as needed. He also make occasional runs to Purgatory to share reading resources to the inmates. Bottom line, Mike is a real asset to the team, and we are so lucky to have him.

I wish I could say in his off time he has hobbies, but I think he does the courier thing in his off time. When asked, he said that he was "too humble for hobbies"... what? For his regular, daytime responsibilities, Mike is the Media Specialist (Librarian) for Dixie Middle School, and he serves as a Mathematics Adjunct Professor at Dixie State University. When he does have time, Mike really enjoys Geocaching. Don't know what that is, well Google it! Gauntlet thrown!

Mike does a great job, please congratulate him when you get a chance!

-Joel Tucker, Director



Join us at the Santa Clara Library on Friday, November 22 from 3:00 - 5:00 pm for a "Century of Stories" celebration! This epic event will feature pizza, cupcakes, face painting, a bounce house, givaways, a photo booth, and more!

Festivities include activities for all ages, so join us at the Santa Clara branch! For more information, please call the Santa Clara branch at 435-986-0432.

# **Library Programs and Events**

#### Hurricane Branch

Monday - Friday - Story Time 11:00 am

Mondays - Virtual Reality Experience 2:30 pm

Mondays - Dungeons & Dragons 6:00 pm

Tuesdays - Virtual Reality Experience 2:30 pm

Thursdays - Virtual Reality Experience 2:30 pm

Thursdays - Dungeons & Dragons 7:00 pm

Fridays - Magic the Gathering 3:00 pm

Friday, Nov. 1-Readers Circle Book Club 3:00 pm

Wednesday, Nov. 6 & 20 - Dungeons & Dragons 3:00 pm

Wednesday, Nov. 13 - Crochet Club 3:30 pm

Wednesday, Nov. 20 - Anime After Dark 7:30 pm

### Santa Clara Branch

Mondays - Tai Chi 12:30 pm

Tuesdays - Toddler Time 10:15 & 11:30 am \*No toddler time on 11/5 due to the election

Wednesdays - Story Time 10:15 & 11:30 am \*No story time on 11/6 due to the election

Wednesdays - Teens After School 4:00 pm

Thursdays - Yoga with Robyn 10:30 am \*(No Yoga on 11/07 or 11/28)

Saturdays - Tai Chi 10:30 am

Tuesday, Nov. 12 - Chapter One Book Club 5:30 pm

Thursday, Nov. 14 - Experience Virtual Reality 5:30 pm

Friday, Nov. 15 - Family STEAM Night 4:00 pm

Monday, Nov. 18 - L.I.F.E. Program 10:30 am

Thursday, Nov. 21 - P.A.W.S. for Tales 4:00 pm

Friday, Nov. 22 - 100th Anniversary Celebration 3:00 - 5:00 pm

Saturday, Nov. 23 - Harry Potter Trivia Night for Teens 3:00 pm

## St. George Branch

Mondays - Story Time with Grandpa Steve 10:00 & 11:00

Mondays - Story Time with Miss Jill 1:00 pm

Wednesdays-Story Time with Mrs. Mann

10:00, 11:00, 2:00 & 5:00

Thursdays - Toddler Time 10:00, 11:00 & 1:00 pm

Fridays - Toddler Time 11:00 am

Saturdays - Movie Matinee 2:00 pm

Tuesday, Nov. 5 & 19 - Science Club for Kids 6:30 pm

Friday, Nov. 2 & 15 - ASL Story Time 10:00 am

Monday, Nov. 4 - P.A.W.S. for Tales 4:00 pm

Thursday, Nov. 7 - How to Make Seasonal Greeting Cards 6:00 pm

\*Registration is required

Tuesday, Nov. 12 & 26- Art Club for Kids 6:30 pm

Thursday, Nov. 14 - How to Decorate Outdoors for the Holidays 6:00 pm

Tuesday, Nov. 19 - Dickens Festival Dress Rehearsal 6:00 pm

Thursday, Nov. 21-Holiday Earring Class 6:00 pm \* Registration

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### Hildale Branch

Wednesdays - Story Time 11:00 am

Thursday, Nov. 14 - Teen Advisory Group 4:30 pm

Wednesday, Nov. 20 - After School @ the Library 3:30 pm

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### Enterprise Branch

Wednesdays - Story Time 10:30 am Wednesdays - Youth Activities 2:45 pm Fridays - Afternoon Movie 1:00 pm

Thursday, Nov. 14 - Everything Disney Event 5:00 - 7:00 pm

### New Harmony Branch

Tuesdays - Art Journaling 1:00 - 3:00 pm Wednesdays - Story Time 12:00 pm Thursday, Nov. 7 - Kinder Art 1:00 pm Saturday, Nov. 9 & 23 - Teen Art 10:30 am Thursday, Nov. 21 - Kinder Art 1:00 pm

## Washington Branch

Tuesdays - Toddler Time 10:00 & 11:00 am
Wednesday - Friday - Story Time 10:30 am
Wednesday, Nov. 6 - Teen Video Game Day 4:00 pm
Tuesday, Nov. 12 - Homeschooling @ the Library 1:00 pm
Tuesday, Nov. 12 - P.A.W.S. for Tales 4:00 pm
Wednesday, Nov. 13 - Techno Teens 4:30 pm
Thursday, Nov. 14 - Coding Club 4:00 pm
Thursday, Nov. 14 - Diabetes Education Program 6:00 pm
Wednesday, Nov. 20 - Booklanders Teen Book Club 4:30 pm
Thursday, Nov. 21 - Book Ends Book Group 4:30 pm
Saturday, November 23 - Family Holiday Fun 2:00 pm

### Springdale Branch

Tuesdays - Story Time at Otter Play 11:00 am Thursdays - Story Time 11:00 am Wednesday, Nov. 27 - Book Discussion Group 7:00 pm



November is National Picture Book Month! The picture book is often a child's first experience of looking at and reading art and words. Picture books for young readers are building blocks that promote literacy, vocabulary skills, and sentence structure

Children learn to read pictures before they learn to sound out words or read full sentences, and for the very young, the partnership between pictures and text helps them take in and find pleasure in a narrative. The rhythm and rhyme of picture books makes them easy to understand and fun to read aloud, allowing children to learn words quickly. In addition, reading the same story repeatedly increases vocabulary by 12%.

The Washington County Library System invites you to join the celebration and check out some picture books @ your library!

