

Galion Public Library

Between the Stacks Newsletter
Winter 2014

NOTE FROM THE DIRECTOR

I LOVE the Holidays! Thanksgiving Turkey, Christmas cookies, and New Year's Eve celebrations! What a wonderful time of year! I also love Christmas at the Library. I love the tree, the decorations, the music, and the Christmas Open House. I also love the books during the Holidays as well. When my son was little, he couldn't wait until I brought home all the new children's Christmas books. Santa was featured prominently and you knew the book would always be a happy one. Jan Brett's Christmas books always had a hedgehog hidden somewhere. That prompted the purchase of a pet hedgehog which, of course, required books on pet hedgehogs. Later on, as soon as December came, we always took home all the cookie books to find new cookies to make. Thanks to Jan Brett again, we make hedgehog cookies every Christmas. Vanilla Snowflakes, another favorite, we found in a library book. My son is now 22, but we still rely on the Library during the Holidays. Weeks before Thanksgiving, I take home all the cookbooks on Thanksgiving cooking. We sit around and pick out our favorites. Three days before Thanksgiving, we start to cook (He's a wonderful cook!). To finish, we always have a big Christmas Eve party which requires many new appetizer recipes. We always borrow tons of Christmas music as well. Christmas Eve isn't Christmas Eve without Mannheim Steamroller. And, finally, for those of you who like trivia, where did these library book quotes come from: "Merry Christmas to All and to all a good night!" and "God bless us, every one!"



In observance of the holidays,
the Library will be closed:

Nov. 26 @ 5 pm
Nov. 27 & 28
Dec. 24 & 25
Dec. 31 @ 5 pm
Jan. 1

Holiday Open House

Saturday, December 6, 1 - 3pm



Gingerbread House Contest

Our annual contest is back – and once again, “gingerbread houses” can be constructed out of any edible ingredient, not just gingerbread.

CATEGORIES

- Ages 9 and under
- Ages 10 and up
- Groups

BEST OF SHOW: In addition to the first and second place prizes for each category, we will also be having a grand prize for “Best in Show,” as determined by popular vote.

Gingerbread houses should be brought to the library during the week of December 1st. Submitted creations will be placed on display at the library. Patrons will be encouraged to visit the library and vote for their favorite house during the week. Judging will take place on December 6th, prior to the Open House. Contestants do not need to be present to win.

Galion Public Library’s 2014 Holiday Open House will once again coincide with the “Come Home to Galion for the Holidays” celebration. We will be bringing back some fun traditions, including our annual gingerbread house contest, wish tree, decorations by the North End Garden Club, and wagon & carriage rides by Pine Acres Carriage Service – this year with a route to and from Brownella Cottage! We’ll also have cookies from three local bakers; and drawings for a Kindle Fire HD and a Leap Pad 3 Kids Learning Tablet... It’s a don’t-miss event!

Holiday Music

Get “Jazzed” for the holidays at the library! OH70 will be playing live holiday/jazz music on the library’s main floor from **1:30 pm - 3 pm** during our Open House.



Children’s Room



Children of all ages and their parents are invited to stop by the Community Room during our Open House to make **Holiday Crafts, 1 pm - 3 pm**. Some of the crafts will involve reindeer, snowflakes, and snowmen!

Come in from the cold and join us downstairs for special **Holiday Story Times at 1:20 pm and 2:10 pm**. Children of all ages and their parents are invited.



TEEN & ADULT PROGRAMMING

Movie Night: Guardians of the Galaxy
Tuesday, December 9 @ 6:00 pm
 Ages 12 & up. (Adults are welcome.)
 Registration is required



BINGO					
12	18	41	47	61	
7	26	39	54	70	
4	27	FREE KID SPACE	49	63	
5	23	35	58	73	
3	30	32	52	75	

Holiday Bingo For Books
Tuesday, December 16 @ 6:00 - 7:30 pm

If you are age 18 or older, come play for your chance to win free copies of books by popular authors, including best-selling novels as well as non-fiction titles. Holiday treats will be served. Registration is required.

Teen Film Festival
Saturday, January 24 @ 2:00 pm
 Ages 12-18. Any teen or group of teens can make a 3 minute parody film and we will watch and judge them on Saturday, January 24th. Completed films should be appropriate for teen viewing and must be submitted by Friday, January 16th. (Contact Heather for submission details.) If you don't want to make a film but would like to view the submissions, you are also welcome to attend. Registration is required.



All Ages Christmas Program



**Family Christmas movies & Ugly Christmas
 Sweater Contest**

Monday, December 22 @ 3 - 6pm

All ages are invited! Put on your ugliest Christmas sweater and come up to the library any time before 3:30pm to enter in our contest. We will take a photo of your sweater (not your face) and do a raffle in between the two Holiday movie showings. We will also be posting them on Facebook, where patrons will vote for a second winner. How the Grinch Stole Christmas will be shown at 3:00pm and Elf will be shown at 4:00pm. Refreshments will be served.

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMMING

Holiday Make it-Take it Crafts for Kids

December 22 - 31

Children of all ages are welcome to come any time during regular library hours for a holiday craft to make and take home. No registration is required. Ask at the children's desk for more information.

Kid's Movie Day

For grades K - 6

Friday, January 17 @ 2 pm

The children's department will be showing a full length family film. Popcorn and punch will be served.

Remember to bring your blanket and pillow!

Registration is required.

Polar Bears and Penguins

For grades K-2

Saturday, February 7 from 2:00 - 3:30pm

Join us for stories and crafts featuring two of our favorite winter animals- polar bears and penguins!

Registration is required.

Chocolate Mug Cakes

For grades 3-6

Saturday, February 1 @ 2 pm

We will be making mug cakes and other chocolaty goodies! Registration is required.



PRESCHOOL STORY TIME

Monday @ 6:30pm

Tuesday & Wednesday @ 10:30 am

~in the Community Room~

November 17, 18, 19

December 8, 9, 10

January 12, 13, 14

January 19, 20, 21

January 26, 27, 28



Call 419-468-3203 to register for programs that require it. Or stop by the appropriate circulation desk.