Galion Public Library

Between the Stacks Newsletter Winter 2015

NOTE FROM THE DIRECTOR

The Holidays are fast approaching; Thanksgiving, Christmas, New Years. I often think of all the wonderful memories I have of this time, especially Christmas. Many of those memories are wrapped up in the Galion Public Library. I remember my first year here and how beautiful the Library was decorated with lighted reindeer in the lower garden windows. I remember the first year we had the carriage rides. It was night time and snowing. What could be more Christmasy? Every Christmas season we watch the "decorative" staff create the most beautiful tree ever. Then there's the year we first started doing Angel Wishes on the tree and how amazed we were with all the things the public purchased for us. The Friends of the Library have always been there too helping pay for the outside decorations and Open House expenses. So many people look forward to their "12 Days of Christmas" Raffle. Few people see it, but there's a permanent picture of Jill dressed in Reindeer garb in my office. When decorating became too labor intensive for the Staff, the North End Garden Club volunteered to take over and all the complements they received. When we joined together with the Come Home to Galion celebration, we saw hundreds of new people come into the Library. Then there's the year that Courtney tied ribbons around 300 candles to give out as gifts at the doors. Every year brings more memories. Here's hoping that the Library keeps giving all of us new memories for years to come. Merry Christmas to all!



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

Nov. 26 @ 5 pm

Nov. 27 & 28 Dec. 24 & 25

Dec. 31 @ 5 pm

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Holiday Open House

Saturday, December 5, I - 3pm



Gingerbread House Contest

Our annual contest is back – and once again, "gingerbread houses" can be constructed out of <u>any</u> 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 5th, prior to the Open House. Contestants do not need to be present to win.

The 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 wish tree and wagon / carriage rides by Pine Acres Carriage Service — with a route to and from Brownella Cottage! We'll also have cookies from three local bakers and door prize drawings. 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 1:00 pm - 3 pm





Children of all ages and their parents are invited to stop by the Community Room to make Holiday Crafts @ I pm - 3 pm.

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.



Holiday Open House Door Prizes:

Grand Prize - Kindle Fire HD 10 (10.1" & 32 GB)
2nd - Kindle Fire (7" Display & 8 GB)
3rd - A bundle of sweets from the Candi Bar

Movie Night: Ant Man Tuesday, December 10 @ 6:00 pm Ages 12 & up. (Adults are welcome.) Registration is requested





Holiday Bingo For Books

Tuesday, December 15 @ 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.

Throwback Thursday/Toga Party
Thursday, January 7 @ 6:00 pm

Ages 12-18. Join us for a celebration of ancient history with games and crafts. This is also a Toga Party so all are

invited to wear togas Registration is requested.



EEN & ADULT PROGRAMMING

Teen Club Meeting Times



Anime Club

December 8th & January 12th @ 6:30 pm



Teen Board

November 19th, December 17th, and January 21st. @ 5:30



Games Club

November 19th, December 17th, and January 21st. @ 6:30

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMMING

Family Movie Day - Minions Saturday, December 19 @ 2:00pm

The children's department will be showing a PG-rated feature film, *Minions*. Popcorn and punch will be provided. Remember to bring your blanket and pillow!

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.

Family Bingo Saturday January 16 from 2:00 - 3:30pm

Join us for a fun afternoon of family Bingo for books (and other prizes!). All players must be accompanied by a child under 12. Registration is required.

Life Sized Candyland For grades K-2 Saturday, February 6 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.

Candy Science For grades 3-6 Saturday, February 20 from 2:00 - 3:30pm

Come try some of our super sweet science experiments...all featuring some of your favorite candy! Registration is required.



PRESCHOOL STORY TIME

Monday @ 6:30pm

Tuesday & Wednesday @ 10:30 am

~in the Community Room~

November 30

December 1, 2,

December 7 - 9 & 14 - 16

January 4 -6 & 11-13

January 18 - 20 & 25 - 27

