

January

What's new at the Library







3 DVDS + POPCORN Drop by our annual magazine sale and pick up magazines for 10 cents each! The sale will run through January 12 or until magazines are sold out. Make a winter movie night and skip the hassle of choosing what to watch with our new Binge Bags -- 3 themed movies and free popcorn. These bags are at the back of our DVD section -- check one out today!



Dec. 24 - Jan. 24 Winter Reading Challenge

Cozy Up and Read For Our Winter Reading Challenge!

There's still time to sign up for the Read More '24 Winter Reading Challenge! Log your reading and complete literacy-based activities through January 24 to win a gift card. The challenge is open to all ages and is sponsored by First State Bank.

Register on Beanstack

New Material Borrowing Period Shortened





As of January 1st:

New Books -2 week check out, 1 renewal

New DVDs -1 week check out, 1 renewal

New Graphic Novel Book Club for Teens

Announcing a NEW library program for tweens and teens! If you love manga, comics, and graphic novels, this book club is for you. Open to 6th-12th grade, we'll toggle between junior and young adult-level graphic novels. In January, we're meeting on Monday, the 8th at 4 p.m. to discuss *The Tryout*. Pick up your copy at the youth desk!



January Library Programs



Reading Ready Storytime Wednesdays, January 3, 10, 17, 24, & 31, 10a

Join us for an interactive session of reading, singing, and crafting. In January our theme is Winter & Snow. The stories and activities are carefully selected for **ages 2-5**.

After-Hours Nerf Night Thursday, January 4, 6:30p

Teens and tweens, come battle it out, Nerf style! Every first Thursday, we'll meet at 6:30 for snacks and drinks and then, after the library closes, compete for the title of Nerf champion. **This program requires a waiver; please pick up and return to any desk at the library**.





please register - ages 12+



Fly Tying Saturday, January 6, 10a-1p

Come tie flies, talk fishing, and enjoy snacks with us! This monthly program, for aspiring and experienced fly fishers alike, will be led by Keith Loutzenhiser of the Little Elkhart Chapter of Trout Unlimited. Every hour, we'll start a new fly pattern, so drop in anytime on the hour.

Register here





Welcome the New Year



Saturday, January 6th, 11:00am

please register

Same Page Book Club Monday, January 8 & 22, 10a

This club for adults with developmental disabilities meets every other week to read fun, accessible stories while enjoying snacks and good conversation. We read aloud together, and each participant gets to keep their book!



SAME PAGE BOOK CLUB



Homeschool Hangs: No-Sew Blankets

Tuesday, January 9, 11:30a

Let's start the New Year off right by giving back to our local community! We'll be making no-sew blankets in various sizes to donate to the Middlebury Food Pantry for these cold months.

Register here

Pages & Pints Wednesday, January 10, 5:30p

Our bring-your-own-book club is back! In January, we're reading books published in 2023. Come discuss your pick over dinner or drinks at Wedgewood Brewing.





Martin Luther King Jr. Day S(OP)



Monday January 15th 10:00am

MLK Jr. Day Storytime Monday, January 15, 10a

To celebrate the remarkable Dr. Martin Luther Kina Jr., we'll kick off today's series of events with a storytime about his life and the civil rights era, with a related craft to inspire your future dreamer.

Civil Rights Movie: Remember the Titans

Monday, January 15, 1p

Next up in our celebration of MLK Jr. Day is a showing of Remember the Titans, the classic 2000s movie about a football team's first year as integrated with Black players in the early 1970s. Popcorn and beverages provided! Movie is rated PG.



Cinema Showcase

SPECIAL PROGRAM





Button-Making: What's Your Dream? Monday, January 15, 4p

MLK Jr.'s famous I Have a Dream speech is our inspiration for our last program of this day. Use our button maker and any of our supplies to make a pin to wear that shows the world what you're passionate about. **This program is for teens and tweens.**



Books & Brews Tuesday, January 16, 5:30p

Join our dinner book club for a discussion of *The Midnight Library*, by Matt Haig. Pick up your copy at the library now! BYO dinner, if you like.

More about the book





FOR BABIES AND TODDLERS



Open Play for Babies & Toddlers

Friday, January 19, 10a

Bubbles, balls, parachutes, kids instruments, and more! Come have a blast with your toddler to burn off some energy.

MONDAY, 1/22 @ 4P

Art Nights: DIY Stained Glass Thursday, January 25, 5p

At this new monthly series, we'll make art in different mediums and for different ages. This month, teens and tweens are invited to make their own stained glass with local artist Aubrey Hittle.

Please register here



ANIME CLUB for teens



Plant-Based Cooking + Dinner Thursday, January 25, 5:30p

Plant-based diets are better for you and the environment! Make good on your New Years resolutions and come learn some techniques for cooking nutritious and delicious plant-based meals. We'll do a cooking demonstration and then share a meal together, and you'll leave with some plant-based recipes that you can try at home.

Register here

Drop-In Gaming Monday, January 29, 4p

Two hours to chill and game on the last Monday of every month. Bring a friend, have a snack, and use the library's retro Wii, updated Nintendo Switch, VR Oculus II, or any other card/dice/board games from our Library of Things. **This program is for tweens and teens grades 6-12.**



Staff Picks

JULI RECOMMENDS . . .

All That She Carried, by Tiya Miles

Author Tiya Miles shares an interesting and informational journey through African-American history via textiles. Ashley's sack transports us through the lives and experiences of slaves and families, both White and Black, to create a realism of the journeys of the enslaved. Rich with historical context and facts as well as personal testimonies.

Genre: Adult Non-Fiction





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