

## **Winter Reading is Here....Warm Up with a Good Book!**

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### **Director's Note:**

I don't know about you, but January was loooonngg! I'm happy to see we have finally made it to February and one of my favorite months to show the library some love!

Here at the library, we continue to stay busy planning some fun programs; while keeping the library in tip top shape. In the winter months, we work on weeding the collection and completing inventory for the entire library. Currently, we are preparing for our Spring Book Sale, which will happen in March. Make plans to stop by and get a great deal on gently used books, audiobooks, and DVD's.

We will also have our "Warm Up with a Good Book" Winter Reading Program during the month of February. This program is for all ages, so the whole family can participate. Join the fun and pick up your reading log at the circulation desk. We have some great prizes up for grabs!

Additionally, this month we are celebrating "Take Your Child to the Library Day" on February 15th. As a former educator and mom of three, I am a firm believer in the importance the library plays in our children's lives. When adults value the public library in their community, they build future generations that do the same. If you have a little one in your life, reach out to them and make a date to come to the library-you may never know the impact such a small invitation may have. We have many fun programs going on that day that you can read about below-but we're especially excited to welcome Therapy dogs, Raymond and Rosie, back to the library! They will be ready for you to read to them. Come by and see us this month.

Happy Reading,  
Jamie Sparks, Director

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### **Join us for Winter Reading during the month of February**

This month you can log your reading and/or special events to win prizes! Stop by either circulation desk for a reading tracker and get started. All ages are welcome to join. For more information, stop by the

## New Books this month!

Click [here](#) for Adult New Releases.

Click [here](#) for Children's Department New Releases.



## February Library Programs



### ADULT PROGRAMS IN FEBRUARY

#### Block Stamping Class, with Artistic Isle

Feb. 11, 4:45pm

We are making the stamped art similar to picture above. Registration required, \$15 fee. Queen City Room

#### Adult Book Club:

Talking to Strangers

Feb. 10 (5:30pm) or  
Feb. 11 (2pm)

You are welcome either day! Stop by the front desk to pick up your copy for our monthly meeting! Queen City Room.

#### One Read Community Book Discussion:

Accountable, by Dashka



### CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS IN FEBRUARY

#### Preschool

Storytime-Thursday's at 10am

Kids not yet in Kindergarten and their grown up are welcome to join us for stories, songs, crafts, games, and fun!

Evening Preschool Storytime-  
4th Monday 5:45pm

Feb. 24

Can't make it to our morning Storytime? No problem! We added this evening option for our working families. Please join us!

#### LEGO Club

## Slater

Feb. 18th, 4:45pm

Everyone is welcome to attend this community book discussion. Please read the book beforehand and be ready to discuss.

## Chess Club

Feb. 15

10am to noon

Join our growing community of Chess Players! All Skill Levels welcome.

## Create & Connect, Adult Craft Night

Feb. 24

5:30-6:30pm

Join us for crafting and socializing. We are making hand knit blankets. FREE-All materials are provided. Queen City Room

## Book Tasting

Every Saturday in February

10am to noon

Come by for light snacks and to sample a variety of genres each Saturday. Try something different and find your next great read! Queen City Room

**Adult Services Contact: Kaylee Daniel, 826-1314**

## 1st & 3rd Monday's

Drop in between 4:30-6:30pm

Feb. 3 (we are closed on the 3rd Monday)

Work on our Lego Challenge, or build your own creation. We'll have a variety of LEGO's available. Open to anyone with an imagination!  
Children's Department

## Bookworms

2nd Monday's

5:45

Feb. 10

This NEW program is intended for elementary age kids who love books, games, crafts, and fun. Join us in the Children's Department

## February 15 is Take Your Child to the Library Day!

Read more below and make plans to stop by the library!

**Children's Department Contact: Kristen Whisnant, 826-1314**

**DETAILS ABOUT ALL EVENTS CAN BE FOUND ON OUR WEBSITE CALENDAR!**

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## Take Your Child to the Library Day!

Join us on Saturday, February 15th from 9-1pm

### WHY CHILDREN NEED LIBRARIES-

Because child readers become grown-up leaders. Children who are proficient in reading by the end of grade 3 are significantly more likely to graduate high school, opening doors to a bright future.

Because storytime is a key building block to school success. Library storytimes and programs for babies and preschoolers teach social and



academic skills that directly translate to early school success.

Because the internet is for everyone. Libraries provide key access to internet, wifi, computers and other devices, ensuring all children start on a level playing field.

Because homework shouldn't cause headaches. After school programs provide improved school performance, decreased drug use, and foundational life skills.

Because libraries transform lives. Every day your local library is creating connections, igniting curiosity, and enriching lives.

With thanks to the [Association for Children's Library Services](#), [Championing Children's Services Toolkit, 2019](#)



**Bring your entire family to the library on Feb. 15**

**All Events 10am-noon**

**-Chess Club**

**Reference Room**

**-Book Tasting (adults)**

**Queen City Room**

**-Read with Therapy Dogs, Raymond or Rosie**

(Stop by or call to sign up for a time slot)

**Children's Department**

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**Coming Soon! Our Spring Book Sale will take place in March! Make plans to stop by and get a great deal on gently used materials. Cash or check only, please.**



**More FUN in February...**

**-We are collecting hand/foot warmers to donate to our community**

**-Make and Take Bookmarks as we celebrate "World Bookmark Day" on Feb. 25.**

-Blind Date with a Book-are you brave enough to choose a book without seeing the cover?  
-Tote Bag giveaway

The library will be closed on February 17 for President's Day.

**February Book Displays:**  
**We will be honoring Black History Month and having some fun with our Valentine's book display.**  
**Stop by to check out your next great read!**

Would you like to avoid the stairs coming into the library? No Problem! You can access the elevator entrance in the back of the building. Handicap parking spots can be found in the back of the building as well.



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