



PIGEON TALES

Friends' Raffle Begins

The Friends of the Library have begun work on their annual Christmas Raffle, which is quite an undertaking. In past years, there have been over 100 prizes awarded! Friends members are currently connecting with local business owners for donations to the raffle, and are making their own prize contributions as well.

Members of the Friends will be selling tickets for the raffle, which go for \$1 apiece, or you can get 6 for \$5. Tickets will be on sale through December 3rd. You can buy tickets from any member of the Friends or you can also get them while you're visiting the library.

Prizes will be on display towards the end of November and the drawing will be held in early December.

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Flu Season Precautions

The swine flu has been a hot topic lately, and like everyone else, we wanted to know how best to avoid it! So our director got on the phone with the Community Health Agency and got some good tips on how to reduce the spread of the virus in our library.

*Because the flu virus can live on surfaces such as computer keyboards for as long as 8 hours, we have placed signs at each terminal asking patrons to use the available hand sanitizer before using library computers. We are also doing our best to clean door knobs and counters more frequently.

*Since the flu virus can be spread by coughing and sneezing, you should cough into a tissue and then wash or sanitize your hands immediately after disposing of the tissue. We have Kleenex and hand sanitizer in many places throughout the library.

*If any child using the library appears to have flu symptoms or has a fever, the parents will be asked to take them home.

*We have implemented this new policy: during periods of time in which the White Pigeon Schools are closed due to illness, no one under 18 years of age will be permitted in the library unless a parent is with them at all times. *This will include all open hours including evenings and Saturdays, not just school hours.* This policy is in place to prevent the spread of illness throughout the community.

For further information on the flu virus, please visit these websites: www.cdc.gov or www.flu.gov or pick up a CDC Guide for Parents at the library.

New Books in November

November 1-7

John Grisham *Ford County*

J.D. Robb *Kindred in Death*

Kate Jacobs *Knit the Season*

Jeff Shaara *No Less Than Victory*

Sandra Brown *Rainwater*

Thomas Kincade *A Wish for Christmas*

November 8-14

Stephen King *Under the Dome*

November 15-21

Clive Cussler *The Wrecker*

James Patterson *I, Alex Cross*

Mary Alice Munro *Too Much Happiness*

November 22-31

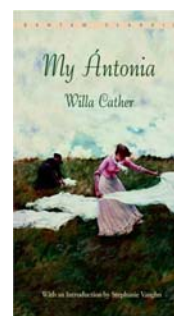
Dean Koontz *Breathless*

Michael Crichton *Pirate Latitudes*

Lunch & Lit Club

My Antonia by Willa Cather

My Antonia tells the stories of several immigrant families who move out to rural [Nebraska](#) to start new lives in America, with a particular focus on a [Bohemian](#) family, the Shimerdas, whose eldest daughter is named Antonia. The book's narrator, Jim Burden, arrives in the fictional town of Black Hawk, Nebraska, on the same train as the Shimerdas, as he goes to live with his grandparents after his parents have died. Jim develops strong feelings for Antonia, something between a crush and a filial bond, and the reader views Antonia's life, including its attendant struggles and triumphs, through that lens.



The Lunch & Lit Club meets on the 3rd Monday of each month. Stop in to pick up a copy of the current book if you'd like to join us!

Friends of the Library

Friends Wanted! If you would like to join the Friends of the Library, please fill out this form and return it to the library with \$3.00 for your annual dues. Members take part in various activities which benefit the library and provide for things that might not otherwise fit into the budget. The group meets about once every four months.

Name _____ Phone _____

Address: _____

Email address _____

Friends ... don't forget to drop off your donations for the raffle at your earliest convenience. Feel free to ask to see the list of prizes while you're there, and pick up a good supply of raffle tickets, too!



Game Day!



Tuesday, November 3rd! Stop in after school for some fun and games with your friends! From 3:30 –4:30 in the Dorothy Lee room. A variety of board games and video games will be available. You don't need to sign up to attend.

(For kids of elementary school age only.)



Movie Day!



A Charlie Brown Thanksgiving

Tuesday, November 17th

3:30-4:00

Movie will be shown in the Dorothy Lee Room ... no need to sign up!

Thanksgiving Riddles

1. Why didn't the turkey eat dessert?
2. What do you get when you cross a turkey with a centipede? Lots of drumsticks!
3. Why do turkeys gobble, gobble?

Answers: 1. He was stuffed! 2. Lots of drumsticks! 3. They never learned good table manners

Thanksgiving Break Activities

Need something to do over that long Thanksgiving Break? Stop in at the library for one or all of the following activities:

Recycle Creations Monday, November 23rd from 12-1:30. What can you do with a box? What can a whole bunch of you do with a whole bunch of boxes? Hmmm.....

Craft Day Wednesday, November 25th 12:30-3:00

Game Day Friday, November 27th from 1-3:00

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November Calendar

- 3 After School: Board Games 3:30-4:30
- 5 After School Craft 3:30
- 12 After School Craft 3:30
- 16 Lunch & Lit Club 11:30*
- 17 After School: Movie "It's a Charlie Brown Thanksgiving" 3:30-4:00
- 19 After School Craft 3:30
- 23 Recycle Creations 12-1:30 for ages 6 and up.
- 25 Craft Day: anytime between 12:30 and 3:00; ages 6-12
- 26 Closed for Thanksgiving**
- 27 Game Day 1-3:00; ages 6-12

*must be signed up to attend.

Coming in December

Christmas Open House
Christmas Raffle



Services for Library Patrons

- **Inter-library Loan:** We can help you find just the book you're looking for. If we don't own it, we should be able to get it for you through our state-wide interloan program.
- In addition to our regular fiction and non-fiction holdings, we also have **large print books** and **audio books** (tape and CD).
- **Movies:** Patrons may borrow movies at no cost for 2 days at a time.
- **Computers:** We have 16 public use computers.
- **Free Wireless Internet:** just bring your laptop!
- **Genealogy / Local History:** Visit our History Room! We have census records and some newspapers on microfilm; we have many obituaries, family histories, and scrapbooks. Patrons can access Heritage Quest online at the library and at home ... ask us how!
- **Home Delivery:** We offer free delivery services for the homebound. Please call for more information.
- **Online Database:** Visit our website and click on "Online Catalog".
- **Miscellaneous Services:** copies .15; laminating .75 for an 8.5 X 11 sheet; fax (sending) \$2 for the first page, \$1 for each additional page; fax (receiving) \$1 for up to 10 pages; .25 for each additional page.



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