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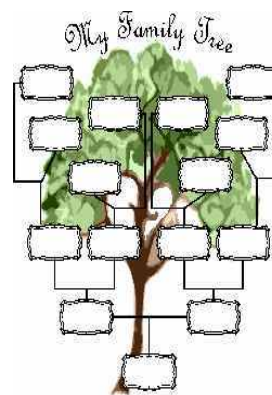
Beginning Genealogy Class

On Wednesday, December 10th, we will welcome Jane Taylor from the Tri-County Genealogical Society, who will be here from 3:30—4:30 to give some basic pointers on tracing your family’s heritage.

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Jane will briefly cover the resources that we have right here at the library, both on the shelf and in the history room, and explain what types of information may be found at the Courthouse in Centerville and on the Internet. She will provide you with hand-outs of the different types of forms you might find useful.



If you’ve already begun tracing your family tree and have questions, you are also welcome to come! Space will be limited so please sign up ahead of time if you’d like to attend this program.

Christmas Open House



Everyone is invited to join us at our Christmas Open House on Thursday, December 11th from 5-6:30 p.m.

You’ll want to bring your camera so you can get a picture of your little ones visiting Holly, a young reindeer from the Country Reindeer Farm in Centerville. Then come inside and decorate your own sugar cookie while you listen to live music by Ben Nofsinger from Marcellus. We will “wrap up” the evening with a holiday story read by a special guest reader. This will also be your last chance to buy a raffle ticket for the Friends of the Library Raffle. We hope you can come!

New Books in December!

W.E.B. Griffin *Black Ops*

Kay Hooper *Blood Sins*

Elle Newmark *The Book of Unholy Mischief*

J.A. Jance *Cruel Intent*

Tami Hoag *Deeper Than Dead*

Julie Garwood *Fire and Ice*

Jayne Ann Krentz *Running Hot*

Patricia Cornwell *Scarpetta*

Perri O'Shaughnessy *Show No Fear*

Iris Johansen *The Treasure*

James Grippando *Born to Run*

Lunch & Lit Club *So Big* by Edna Ferber

Winner of the 1924 Pulitzer Prize, *So Big* is widely regarded as Edna Ferber's crowning achievement. A rollicking panorama of Chicago's high and low life, this stunning novel follows the travails of gambler's daughter Selina Peake De-Jong as she struggles to maintain her dignity, her family, and her sanity in the face of monumental challenges.

The Lunch & Lit Club meets the 3rd Monday of each month. Stop in to get a copy of the book if you would like to join us!



Friends of the Library



Don't forget to purchase a ticket or two for the Friend's Christmas Raffle! There are many prizes on display at the library, but many that can't be displayed, such as: gift certificates from merchants such as Hairstyles Etc, Tasty Nut Shop, Potting Shed, Country Table, Wilson's, Movie City, as well as cash prizes from Morris Excavating, Sullivan Agency, and Wholesale Connection. In all there are around 100 chances to win! Tickets are available from members of the Friends as well as at the library, through December 11th. The cost is \$1 each, or 6 for \$5.00. The drawing will be held on Friday, December 12th, and remember you do not need to be present to win!

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 _____



December Crafts for Kids!

Thursday After School Crafts
December 4th and 18th from 3:30—5:00.



Young Five's—2nd grade Craft December 9th at 3:30.
Please sign up for this program.

This One's for the Girls



We're having a Christmas Party!

Join us on Tuesday, December 16, from 3:30 to 5:00 for an afternoon of food and fun. We'll be decorating (and eating!) cupcakes, and making some ornaments for your tree.

Make sure to sign up for this, and bring a friend or two! Remember, this program is for girls in grades 6-12 only.



Some Christmas Cheer



These Holiday riddles will “sleigh” you!

1. What do elves learn in school?
2. What is the difference between the Christmas alphabet and the regular alphabet?
3. What Christmas carol is a favorite of parents?
4. Why does Santa have three gardens?
5. What do you get when you cross a snowman with a vampire?
6. What does a cat on the beach have in common with Christmas?

How did you do? Check the bottom of the calendar on the next page for the answers!

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Monday, Wednesday, Friday 9-5
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December Calendar

4 After School Craft 3:30
9 Y5-2nd grade Craft 3:30
11 Christmas Open House
5-6:30
12 Friends' Raffle Drawing
15 Lunch & Lit Club 11:30
18 After School Craft 3:30
16 This One's for the Girls
Christmas party 3:30
24 Closed
25 Closed
(We will be open on the 26th &
the 27th.)

Have a great Christmas!

Coming in January

Get your tax forms here!
Watch for renovations in the
children's room this month!

Answers to riddles (p. 3)

1. The elf-abet 2. The Christmas
alphabet has *No El*. 3. Silent
Night 4. So he can hoe-hoe-hoe!
5. Frostbite 6. Sandy Claws

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 home-bound. 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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