



# LIBRARY NEWS

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## What's New?

### Mobile Printing

The library allows you to print wirelessly from all of your devices. You can print from inside the library or from home. Retrieve copies from our print management system within 24 hours.

### Teen Health

Consumer Health Complete, one of our electronic sources through NebraskaAccess, has new health and wellness content relevant to teens. The link to this site is under the Health and Medical Information heading on our website. We also subscribe to Teen Health & Wellness. These sites provide answers about current teen issues as well as informational videos.

### Expansion & Renovation

Preliminary work has begun in preparation for the library expansion and renovation to begin this spring. Fiber-optic lines have been moved. We've taken down the chain-link fence and removed some of the sprinkler heads. We will also be cutting down several trees. Many of these are Ash trees that would have been cut down anyway due to the Emerald Ash Borer infestation. The project is going out for bids at the end of December.

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## LIBRARY HOURS:

9:00 a.m.– 8:00 p.m. Monday – Thursday

9:00 a.m.– 5:00 p.m. Friday and Saturday

1:30 p.m.– 4:30 p.m. Sunday

Phone: 402-844-2100

[www.norfolkne.gov/library](http://www.norfolkne.gov/library)



# Check It Out!



## *Christmas Audios*

### **Adult Fiction**

*The Season of Us* by Holly Chamberlin

*Christmas Bells* by Jennifer Chiaverini

*Ornaments of Death* by Jane K. Cleland

*The Mistletoe Secret* by Richard Paul Evans

*An Amish Family Christmas* by Shelley Shepard Gray

*A Shoe Addict's Christmas* by Beth Harbison

*Winter Storms* by Elin Hilderbrand

*The Mistletoe Murder* by P.D. James

*A Baxter Family Christmas* by Karen Kingsbury

*Twelve Days of Christmas* by Debbie Macomber

*Marry Me at Christmas* by Susan Mallery

*Christmas in Eternity Springs* by Emily March

*Mistletoe Cottage* by Debbie Mason

*The Most Wonderful Time* by Fern Michaels

*Christmas on the Range* by Diana Palmer

*Plain Christmas* by Sarah Price

*Highlander's Christmas Kiss* by Paula Quinn

*The Christmas Wish* by Nora Roberts

*The Twelve Dogs of Christmas* by David Rosenfelt

*The Trouble with Mistletoe* by Jill Shalvis

*A Nantucket Christmas* by Nancy Thayer

*The Christmas Town* by Donna VanLiere

*A Wedding for Christmas* by Lori Wilde

### **Adult Nonfiction**

*Because of Bethlehem* by Max Lucado

*The Santa Claus Man* by Alex Palmer





# Upcoming Programs

## 1,000 BOOKS BEFORE KINDERGARTEN GRADUATION



**Saturday  
December 3  
10:00 a.m.**



We are so proud of our preschoolers who have reached their goal to read 1,000 books before kindergarten! We will celebrate with a party and a gift for the graduates!

1,000 Books Before Kindergarten is a free program that equips children's first teachers, their parents, with the tools needed to instill a love of reading and an appreciation for the library.

Reading 1,000 books to your child can easily be reached!

- **1 book** every day for 5 years equals **1825 books!**
- **1 book** every day for 4 years equals **1460 books!**
- **1 book** every day for 3 years equals **1095 books!**
- **10 books** every week for 2 years equals **1040 books!**
- **20 books** every week for 1 year equals **1040 books!**

## Internet I Computer Class



**Tuesday  
December 13  
1:00 p.m.**

Taught by Michelle Sullivan of Northeast Community College, this is a free class for those interested in learning how to browse the Internet. Class size is limited, and reservations are required. Sign up at the library's Information desk or call 402-844-2100.

## Card Making Class

**Saturday  
December 10  
1:30 p.m.**



It's Christmastime!  
Create your own special greeting cards to share with family and friends this holiday season. See demonstrations on how to stamp, emboss, punch and cut your own cards. The library will provide the supplies, but space is limited. Register today at the library's Information desk or call 402-844-2100.

# 2015–2016 Year in Review

This past year was a busy one at the library! Some of our many activities in the 2015-2016 year included improving technology access and education, connecting readers and writers, supporting summer learning and planning for the upcoming renovation and expansion.



## Technology

The library started loaning Wi-Fi hotspots in August to help families gain high-speed Internet access in their homes. Computer classes were offered each month, and Tech Tutoring sessions provided one-on-one support for those

wanting to improve their technology skills. Mobile printing was also made available, so patrons can print from home and then retrieve their copies within the next 24 hours.

## Connections

This year, the library held its first Local Author Fair to connect readers with Northeast Nebraska writers. We also hosted the 22nd Annual Literature Festival, which brings nationally-known authors to our community. In addition to these events, the library regularly hosts five book clubs; humanities programs; movie screenings; children's programs; Needles, Hooks & Books; Live Trivia and Creative Coloring.



## Early Learning

**1890** kids, teens and adults participated in the Summer Reading Program.

**2727** children and parents participated in more than 150 Lapsit or Storytime programs.

**559** Children from birth to age five have participated in 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten.



## By the Numbers



**143,711**

library visits

**13,901**

people with library cards

**295,787**

total items used

**21,139**

computer sessions used

**5,476**

research, technology and general help questions answered by librarians at the Information desk

**81,529**

uses of the library's website, databases and online resources

**474**

classes and programs offered

**9,721**

attendance at classes and programs

*The Norfolk Public Library is a division of the City of Norfolk and operates on an October 1 through September 30 fiscal year.*



## Youth Programs



**LAPSIT:** Wednesdays, December 7 and 14, at 10:00 a.m. For infants through age two with a caregiver, this program is a fun way to begin library visits and literary experiences. Come learn new rhymes, songs and baby games while listening to stories and meeting other families with young children. (Note: There will be no Lapsit on December 21 and 28.)

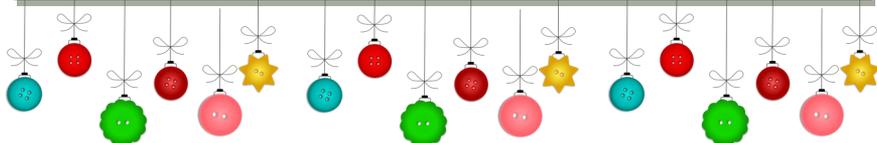
**STORYTIME:** Thursdays, December 1, 8 and 15, at 1:30 p.m. and Fridays, December 2, 9 and 16, at 10:30 a.m. For children age three through grade two, this is a fun combination of literature including books, songs, Spanish language experiences, storytelling, finger plays, poems, puppets and MORE! Caregivers are encouraged to attend with children. (Note: There will be no Storytime on December 22, 23, 29 and 30.)

**GOLDEN SOWER BOOK CLUB:** Monday, December 19, at 4:00 p.m. This book club is for kids ages 8-12 whose reading selections come from titles nominated for the Golden Sower Award, Nebraska's Children's Choice Literary Award. This month's book is *The Best Christmas Pageant Ever* by Barbara Robinson.

**YOUNG ADULT BOOK GROUP (Y.A.B.G.):** Saturday, December 3, at 2:30 p.m. This book club is designed for teens. This month's book is *The Children's Blizzard* by David Laskin.

**1,000 BOOKS BEFORE KINDERGARTEN:** Reading 1,000 books to your child before kindergarten is a fun and rewarding way to instill an early love of reading! Any child from birth until kindergarten can participate. Completion will take from a few months to a few years, depending on how often you read. Stop by the Youth Services desk to sign up today!

*For more information on any of these programs, call Karen or Marci at 402-844-2100 or stop by the Youth Services desk.*



# December Movies

December 7



© Universal Pictures

## The Huntsman: Winter's War

Genres: Action, Fantasy  
Featuring: Charlize Theron & Chris Hemsworth  
**Rated PG-13**

1 Hour 54 Minutes



© Paramount Pictures

## December 14 Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles: Out of the Shadows

Genres: Action  
Featuring: Will Arnett & Tyler Perry  
**Rated PG-13**

1 Hour 52 Minutes



© Columbia Pictures

December 21

## The Angry Birds Movie

Genres: Family, Comedy  
Featuring: Jason Sudeikis & Josh Gad  
**Rated PG**

1 Hour 37 Minutes



© Walt Disney Pictures

## December 28 Finding Dory

Genres: Family, Comedy  
Featuring: Ellen DeGeneres & Albert Brooks  
**Rated PG**

1 Hour 43 Minutes

*All movies will be shown on Wednesdays @ 2:30 p.m. in the library's meeting room.*

## Classic Poetry

### Minstrels

by William Wordsworth

*The minstrels played their Christmas tune  
To-night beneath my cottage-eaves;  
While, smitten by a lofty moon,  
The encircling laurels, thick with leaves,  
Gave back a rich and dazzling sheen,  
That overpowered their natural green.*

*Through hill and valley every breeze  
Had sunk to rest with folded wings:  
Keen was the air, but could not freeze,  
Nor check, the music of the strings;  
So stout and hardy were the band  
That scraped the chords with strenuous hand.*

*And who but listened?-till was paid  
Respect to every inmate's claim,  
The greeting given, the music played  
In honour of each household name,  
Duly pronounced with lusty call,  
And 'Merry Christmas' wished to all.*





# Monthly Programs



**CREATIVE COLORING:** Mondays, December 5, 12 and 19, at 2:00 p.m. Come to relax and color. The library provides the supplies.

**TECH TUTORING:** Mondays, December 5, 12 and 19, 5-7:00 p.m. by appointment. Get a personal 30-minute session for help with your tablet, phone, e-reader or laptop. Call 402-844-2100, stop in or sign up at [www.norfolkne.gov/library](http://www.norfolkne.gov/library).

**NEEDLES, HOOKS & BOOKS:** Saturday, December 10, at 2:30 p.m. For needle crafters. An informal time to work on projects, share skills, talk about books and meet others with similar interests.

**LIVE TRIVIA NIGHT AT THE VERANDA:** Tuesday, December 13, at 7:00 p.m. The trivia is led by Librarian Quizmasters and takes place at the Veranda at Divots. Teams of 1-4 players are invited to test their knowledge against other teams for a chance to win a \$40 gift card to Divots. Live Trivia is free to play and lots of fun!

**TUESDAY NIGHT BOOK CLUB:** The Tuesday Night Book Club will not meet in December.

**WEDNESDAY MORNING BOOK CLUB:** December 28 at 10:00 a.m. For adults. This month's book is *A Quilt for Christmas* by Sandra Dallas.

**20s & 30s BOOK CLUB:** December 15 at 6:30 p.m. This month's book is *The Man in the High Castle* by Philip K. Dick.



## Listen While You Work by Janet Portiner

With all the shopping, parties, and spreading of good cheer to be done this holiday season, it's hard to find time to read.

During this hectic time of year, one of the best ways to keep up with the books you want to read is to listen to them. Whether you're cooking, cleaning, knitting or wrapping presents, listening to an audiobook is the ideal activity to accompany those many tasks and chores for busy people like you.

The library has purchased several new holiday titles to get you in the spirit of the season. Check out the list on page 2 or choose one of our many titles on OverDrive and keep up with your "to read" list as well as your "to do" list.



# December 2016

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 Storytime @ 1:30 P.M.	2 Storytime @ 10:30 A.M.	3 <u>1,000 Books Before Kindergarten Graduation @ 10:00 A.M.</u> <u>Y.A.B.G. @ 2:30 P.M.</u>
4	5 <u>Creative Coloring @ 2:00 P.M.</u> <u>Tech Tutoring 5-7:00 P.M. (sign-up required)</u>	6	7 <u>Lapsit @ 10:00 A.M.</u> <u>Movie: The Huntsman: Winter's War @ 2:30 P.M. PG-13</u>	8 Storytime @ 1:30 P.M.	9 Storytime @ 10:30 A.M.	10 <u>Card Making Class @ 1:30 P.M.</u> <u>Needles, Hooks &amp; Books @ 2:30 P.M.</u>
11	12 <u>Creative Coloring @ 2:00 P.M.</u> <u>Tech Tutoring 5-7:00 P.M. (sign-up required)</u>	13 <u>Internet I Computer Class @ 1:00 P.M.</u> <u>Live Trivia Night @ The Veranda @ Divots @ 7:00 P.M.</u>	14 <u>Lapsit @ 10:00 A.M.</u> <u>Movie: Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles: Out of the Shadows @ 2:30 P.M. PG-13</u>	15 <u>LIBRARY CLOSED 11:00-1:00</u> <u>Storytime @ 1:30 P.M.</u> <u>20s &amp; 30s Book Club @ 6:30 P.M.</u>	16 Storytime @ 10:30 A.M.	17
18	19 <u>Creative Coloring @ 2:00 P.M.</u> <u>Golden Sower Book Club @ 4:00 P.M.</u> <u>Tech Tutoring 5-7:00 P.M. (sign-up required)</u>	20	21 <u>NO LAPSIT</u> <u>Movie: The Angry Birds Movie @ 2:30 P.M. PG</u>	22 <u>NO STORYTIME</u>	23 <u>NO STORYTIME</u>	24 <u>LIBRARY CLOSED</u>
25 <u>LIBRARY CLOSED</u>  <b>Merry Christmas!</b>	26 <u>LIBRARY CLOSED</u>	27	28 <u>NO LAPSIT</u> <u>Wed. Morning Book Club @ 10:00 A.M.</u> <u>Movie: Finding Dory @ 2:30 P.M. PG</u>	29 <u>NO STORYTIME</u>	30 <u>NO STORYTIME</u>	31

