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Knoxville Public Library

Library Hours
M-Th: 10a.m.- 8p.m.
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Sat: 10a.m.- 3p.m.

Winter '23/'24

Brrr!

"The best way to avoid cold weather is to stay in and read." ~ Unknown

And that is what we are here for; we have such a wonderful array of books to choose from and new books in all genres join the shelves every week. Use your library card to reserve books online or come inside where it is nice and warm to browse the shelves and lounge by the fireplace to read.

Homebound Book Delivery

The library offers book delivery for patrons that are homebound and for care facility residents. Our librarian, Deb visits every other week with books in tow that have been specifically chosen for each patron. Deb believes she has been providing this service for at least 12 years, if not more. In fact, in October a patron named Doris Krpan received special recognition from Deb and our library director, Roslin for having received over 1,000 books using this service.



Pictured: Roslin, Doris and Deb

Kanopy

Did you know that there is a FREE movie service that allows you to watch movies online? The app is called Kanopy and is available in the app store on your phone or tablet and your streaming device at home. Your library card is your ticket to watch movies, shows and documentaries in the comfort of your home.

Adult DIY

If you have not participated in one of our Adult DIY programs, we would love to have you join in! Miss Kelsey works very hard at providing a fun craft to work on and the finished project is always unique. In October, purses were made out of recycled hardcover books and in November, the DIY event was making gnomes out of yarn, a shower ring and a button. On Tuesday the 12th, December's craft will be mason jar lid ornaments. If you would like to attend, call or stop in at the library to reserve your spot! **Adult DIY's are usually on the second Tuesday of every month, so be on the lookout for the upcoming projects!**

Patrons with their finished products

Gnomes

Mason Jar Lid Ornament



Book Purses



Storytime and Fun Activities for Kids

Miss Holly is always searching for the best stories to read and the neatest craft to make at Story Time, which is for children ages 0 -5. **Remember to always check the calendar for dates & times!** There are other events that Miss Holly hosted for the youth in our community ~ there was LEGO day in October and in November a turkey scavenger hunt had children marching through the library to solve the riddle. Coming up in December, there will be a Christmas Ornament Craft Day on Thursday, the 21st and by popular demand, the life-sized game of **CANDYLAND** will be returning to the library for everyone to enjoy! Take a look at our December calendar for dates & times and call the library with any questions.

To add to the joy of **CANDYLAND**, the library will be hosting a showing of the 1971 movie 'Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory' on Tuesday, January 2nd at 1:30pm in the Weiler Room. *Should be a pretty sweet time!*



Reading at the Schools

Librarian Connie is pictured below reading to the school children in the Knoxville School District. She reads stories that focus on themes requested by the staff and programs offered at the library.



Book Club

Book Club meets every second Monday of the month and new members are always welcome. This month's book is *Reader's Choice*.

Past Book Club Books:

September: *Cutting for Stone* by Abraham Verghese

October: *Girl in Hyacinth Blue* by Susan Vreeland

November: *Homer & Langley* by E.L. Doctorow

Check our monthly calendar for more happenings at the library!

Books for the Youth

The library was very fortunate to receive a grant from the Marion County Community Foundation for library programs and accessibility. With this grant, the library has been able to purchase books for a newly organized book club for teens (which is open to all teens) that will meet periodically. 'The Firekeeper's Daughter' written by Angeline Boulley was a past selection for the group, while this month's book is 'The People We Keep' by Allison Larkin. The next meeting will be Tuesday, December 19th at 1:00-1:45pm. Reach out to the library for more information.

Also with the Marion County Community grant, new VOX books were purchased for the youth to enjoy. VOX books are printed books that will read to you with a click of the button. These books are upstairs in the children's section and have been extremely popular with the kids!

Trivia Night

Do not forget Trivia Night at the Library on Thursday, December 14th at 6:00pm! More teams and individuals are welcome to join this monthly activity.

Give the Gift of Reading

The Christmas Tree of Books is a great way to give to your library and promote literacy in our community.

- ❄️ Choose a book title from the tree.
 - ❄️ Fill out the form and donate in honor or in memory of someone.
 - ❄️ Pay the amount and give to a librarian.
- *If you want to look at the book from the display case, we will be glad to help!**



Gifts & Memorials

- Frederick Blanch
- Lilliam Gonzalez
- Nancy Johansen
- Mary Lane
- Connie Lenger
- Holly O'Neal
- Darlene Riseley
- Jo Sharr
- Loretta Whitlatch

Holiday Hours

Monday, December 25th:

Closed (Christmas)

Tuesday, December 26th:

Closed

Monday, January 1st:

Closed (Happy New Year!)

Seasonal Displays

When visiting the library and browsing the shelves, take a look at the endcaps and notice how they are changed monthly. That is because our staff does a wonderful job of coming up with new displays with certain themes. The displays may be celebrating a national holiday, raising awareness for certain issues or even just a fun day noted on the calendar. These displays are ways that we can help you to find something different to read or to try a new author or genre. Take a peek!

"Winter is a time for cozy blankets, hot drinks and good books." ~ Unknown