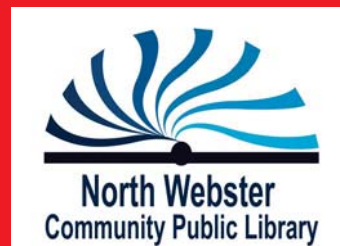


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New Christmas Movies Are Here!

Check our new arrivals.

- A Puppy for Christmas*
- A Christmas Detour*
- Crown for Christmas*
- The Christmas Shepherd*
- A December Bride*
- Broadcasting Christmas*
- A Royal Christmas*
- The Christmas Note*
- Angel of Christmas*
- The Christmas Secret*
- Mr. Miracle*
- Finding Father Christmas*
- A Wish for Christmas*
- Every Christmas Has a Story*
- Just The Way You Are*
- Signed, Sealed & Delivered*
- Christmas Under Wraps*



FOOD FOR FINES - HELPING OTHERS



During the week of Dec. 3 - 9, patrons can donate **Food for Fines**. If you have unpaid library fines, you can redeem those fines and help out the North Webster Food

Pantry at the same time. For every non-perishable food item you donate, \$1 will be taken off your fine. Expired foods,

dented cans, or damaged packages can not be accepted. The Food for Fines policy applies only for North Webster Library cardholders for materials borrowed from our library and does not count toward lost, damaged, or unreturned items. Pay off those fines and help those in need!



The Library staff wishes all of our patrons a blessed Christmas!

In case of bad weather, library closings will be announced on radio stations WILLIE 103.5 FM & WRSW 102.7 FM, TV stations WNDU & WSBT, and posted on Facebook.

HOURS

Mon.-Thurs. 10-7
Fri. 10-6
Sat. 10-3
Sun. Closed
Library will be closed Dec. 25 & 26 & Jan. 1 for the holidays .

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CHECK IT OUT!

FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY SELL GIFT MIXES AT WMS CRAFT BAZAAR



The Friends of the Library are busy elves this time of year. The group will be selling cookie and soup gift mixes, baked goods, and vintage three-tier serving centerpieces at the Wawasee Middle School Holiday Craft

Bazaar on Saturday, Dec. 2, from 8:00 to 3:00. Sponsored by the Wawasee Middle School PTO, this is a popular annual event the community looks forward to each year. The gift mixes and



centerpieces make great gifts or purchase some for yourself, along with the baked goods, for your holiday festivities. All proceeds from the FOL sales will go to support the work of the library. Thanks, Friends!



PAINT A PICTURE FOR THE HOLIDAYS AT COFFEE & CANVAS



Paint this charming winter scene at the library's next **Coffee and**

Canvas on Saturday, Dec. 9, at 10:30. It would make a nice gift or a beautiful winter decoration for your home. Anyone can do it as artist Karla Hayden leads you through it. The cost is just \$18 and includes 11 x 14 canvas, painting

supplies, and refreshments. Pre-registration and payment is needed by Dec. 7. Sign up and pay at the Circulation Desk. Adults only, please.



DID YOU KNOW?

In Finland, as well as Iceland, it is customary at Christmas to visit cemeteries which are lit up and decorated with Christmas lights.

In many Eastern European countries, Christmas is celebrated on Jan. 7. That's because most Orthodox churches use the old Julian calendar.

In Argentina, people set off fireworks at midnight on Christmas Eve to celebrate the start of Christmas Day.

Christmas is not widely celebrated in China, since only about 1% of the population are Christians; even so most of the world's artificial Christmas trees and decorations are made in China.

CHECK IT OUT!

VOYAGER BOOK CLUB LETS YOU CHOOSE

If you've been reluctant to join a book club because you don't want to have to read a book you don't like, Voyager Book Club is meant for you. In Voyager, you choose the book to read. Each month focuses on a specific

genre and everyone reads a book of their choice within that genre. Then the group meets to share and discuss what they have read. It's a great way to explore a variety of books and authors you may not have

discovered on your own. The group normally meets at 10:00 the fourth Monday each month. However due to the holidays, Voyager is moved up this month to Monday, Dec. 18 at 1:00. See you there!



ADULT MOVIE MATINEE

Enjoy an afternoon at the movies Tuesday, Dec. 5 at 1:30 when the Adult Services Department shows the 1967 film *The Taming of the Shrew*, starring Elizabeth Taylor and Richard Burton. Based on the play of the same

name by William Shakespeare, it tells the story about the courtship between two strong willed people. Bring snacks, drinks and enjoy the show!



NEW GENEALOGY TOOL AVAILABLE ON LIBRARY WEBSITE

The library's website has a new family research tool. A birth date calculator has been added to the Local History & Genealogy page. This handy tool calculates an individual's birth date by using their age and death date listed on their tombstone. This is a useful and

convenient help to genealogists and family historians in determining their ancestor's date of birth. You no longer have to do the time consuming math yourself. The tool also links to other useful resources as well. Just visit www.nweb.lib.in.us and click on the Local

History & Genealogy tab.



***** Kids' Korner *****

LOTS OF YOUTH ACTIVITIES THROUGHOUT THE HOLIDAYS

The Youth Services Department has lots of activities planned for the kids throughout the holiday season. **Crafts and Stories and Paws-To-Read** continue every Tuesday at 4:00 throughout December and **LEGO Club** will meet the second Saturday on December 9, from 1:00-2:30.



Thursday, Dec. 28, 1:00
Everyone wins lots of prizes!



PLUS...

FAMILY MOVIE TIME
Thursday, Dec. 21, 5:00
Showing Disney's *Cars 3*
Rated G, 109 minutes

Free Popcorn!



Coming January 5 & 6
Stuffed Animal Sleep-Over
with story time the evening before and donuts in the morning and slide-show of their overnight antics!

HOW TO READ AN E-BOOK WITH YOUR CHILD

Electronic books, called e-books, are becoming more and more commonplace these days. Some readers, like the first generation Kindle and Nook devices, offer a basic digital version of a print book. Children scroll through the pages to read, and the experience is somewhat similar to reading a traditional book.

Newer, full-color, touchscreen devices such as iPads and the Nook Color have expanded what is possible to include e-books with many more features. These "enhanced" e-books offer a different reading experience. Often bought as apps through iTunes, these e-books provide lots of choice. A user can choose have the whole book read to them, or can choose to read the book themselves. E-book enhancements consist of a range of things, but often include listening to music that complements the story, playing story-related games, completing coloring pages, and more. Most children find interactive e-books fun and engaging. But do they help develop important early literacy skills such as letter names and letter sounds or more complex skills such as comprehension?

The e-book market is too young to have enough solid research on the topic to know for sure yet, but researchers have spent lots of time watching families with young children engage with e-books. These observations suggest that it's easy for kids to get carried away with the digital nature of the e-book. Parents can help keep the focus on reading and the story by following three simple suggestions:

- **Recognize the novelty factor.** The first few times your child is interacting with a new e-book, allow time for exploration of the features. Once your child has spent some time exploring, set out to read or listen to the story without too many non-story related interruptions.
- **Enjoy the features, but don't forget to focus on the story.** See if you can help your child find a balance between having fun with the games and sticker books and really enjoying and understanding the story. As with all books, engage your reader in conversations about the story. "What do you think will happen next? What is your favorite part of the story?"

Stay present with your child and the book experience. It's tempting to let the device do the work — read the story, play a game and interact with your child. But there's no substitute for quality parent-child conversation. Keep talking, commenting on interesting words and ideas, and sharing your love of literacy with your child.

~ Reading Rockets (2013)