Christian County L I B R A R Y

December 2014 and January 2015 Classes, Events, and News

Show Your Love for Libraries During this Season of Giving



Rep. Lynn Morris presents a check to Library Foundation president Fred Ravenscroft after a Cruisn' USA fundraiser in August.

Do you agree that public libraries are an important part of a community? If so, you're not alone. A 2013 survey by Pew Research Center found that 95% of Americans agree that the and resources materials available at public libraries play an important role in giving everyone a chance to succeed, and 94% say that having a public library improves the quality of life in a community.

Help the Christian County Library do more for our community by giving generously this season to the Christian County Library Foundation. The purpose of the foundation is to raise money towards future expansion of library facilities and services in the county. Christian County is the fastest growing county in Missouri, but the library building was designed for Christian County residents of 42 years ago, when the library last had a tax increase. The Foundation is committed to contributing funds towards the construction of modern libraries for Christian County.

Can you help? Mail your tax-deductible donation in any amount to:

Christian County Library Foundation P.O. Box 2023 Ozark, MO 65721



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(417)581-2432
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http://christiancountylibrary.org
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Library Hours

Monday-Thursday 8:30 a.m.-8:00 p.m. Friday-Saturday 8:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m. Closed Sunday

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Clever Public Library

Located on Hwy. 14 in Clever, across from Dollar General Call: (417)743-2277 Hours:

Monday-Friday 3:00-7:00 p.m. Saturday 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

Library Community Courses

Library Community Courses provide lifelong learning opportunities for the citizens of Christian County. Classes are free and taught by library instructors. Call (417)581-2432 to register.

Genealogy

Start Your Family Tree

Saturday, December 13th, 10:00-11:00 a.m.

Location: Netzer Room, Christian County Library

Begin at the beginning. This class covers the basics of tracing your family history for anyone who would like to start working on their genealogy, and for those who would like to get the work that they have already done organized in order to continue their research. Registration required. Call (417)581-2432.

Downloading E-Books

Downloading E-Books from Your Library

Saturday, January 10, 2:30-3:30 p.m.

Location: Netzer Room, Christian County Library

Did you get an e-reader as a holiday gift? Get the most out of your Kindle, Nook, iPad, or other e-reader or tablet. Learn how to check out and download e-books with your Christian County Library card, then read them on your computer, e-reader, or tablet. Registration required. Call (417)581-2432.

Introduction to Computers Series

Recommended for those who are new to computers or want to brush up on basic computer use.

Introduction to Computers Part I: Meet the Computer

Saturday, January 10, 10:00-11:00 a.m.

Location: Netzer Room, Christian County Library

When learning to use a computer it is best to begin at the beginning. Learn how to turn on the computer. Learn what the basic computer parts are and what they do. Learn how to use a mouse and a touchpad. Learn what the keyboard does how to increase your typing skills. Learn about storage devices. What are they and what do they do? Learn what safe shutdown is and why it is a good thing. Registration required. Call (417)581-2432.

Introduction to Computers Part II: Software

Saturday, January 17, 10:00-11:00 a.m.

Location: Netzer Room, Christian County Library

In the second part of our introduction to computer series we will learn about software. What is the difference between hardware and software? What is software and what job does it perform? We will be talking about operating systems and then discuss the differences between them. Finally, we will talk about what windows are and learn how to manipulate them. Registration required. Call (417)581-2432.











Introduction Computers Part III: Settings

Saturday, January 24, 10:00-11:00 a.m.

Location: Netzer Room, Christian County Library

This course, the third part in our series, is all about settings. Learn that it is okay to go into the Control Panel on your computer and some of the functions that it can perform. Learn how to change your desktop settings and give your computer a more customized look. Learn about some built-in features that make your computer more accessible. Registration required. Call (417)581-2432.

Introduction to Computers Part IV: Shortcuts

Saturday, January 31, 10:00-11:00 a.m.

Location: Netzer Room, Christian County Library

Learn to use copy and paste to save information on the internet in your email or in other places on your hard drive. Learn how to keep your files organized neatly so you can recover information on your computer easily. Learn to create new folders and how to rename old ones. Learn how to search and find files that you have saved on your computer. Learn what keyboard shortcuts are and how to use them. Registration required. Call (417)581-2432.

Introduction to the Internet Series

Recommended for those with basic computer skills or who have completed the Introduction to Computers series.

Introduction to the Internet Part I: Get Connected

Monday, January 26, 5:30-6:30 p.m.

Location: Netzer Room, Christian County Library

In this class we will discuss where the internet came from. We will discuss what equipment that you need to connect to the internet and what types of software are available. You will find out what a URL is and why it is important. We will also talk about some basic navigation tips. Registration required. Call (417)581-2432.

Look for our February/March newsletter in January for the rest of the Introduction to the Internet series.

View the Library Community Course schedule and register online anytime at http://christiancountylibrary.blogspot.com!

Need Extra Help with Computers? Book-a-Trainer!

Book a free 30 minute one-on-one session with a library technology instructor. Request an appointment online at http://christiancountylibrary.blogspot.com, call the library, or pick up a form at the library front desk. Provide your name, contact information, and what you'd like to discuss with us. Our instructors will call you to set up a time after receiving your request.

Come to your appointment prepared with specific questions, such as "How do I search for jobs on Craigslist?" or "How do I change my privacy settings on Facebook?" or even "How do I use a computer mouse?" We'll help with any technology topics that are within our knowledge, and help you find the resources you need to learn more.

Films for the

Sponsored by Springfield Metro Baseball, operating at Price Cutter Park in Ozark since 2009

In this movie series for fans of classic films, classic books, and classic movie stars, each installment features a classic film from the 1930s to 1950s an introduction to the film's stars and, when applicable, the book the film was based upon. Refreshments served and door prizes sponsored by Springfield Metro Baseball.

Christmas in July, starring Dick Powell & Ellen Drew.

This short Preston Sturges comedy is about a contest, a hoax, and opportunity. Stars the usual cast of Sturges characters and features lots of heart and laughs.

• Tuesday, December 16, 1:00 p.m.

The Shop Around the Corner, starring Jimmy Stewart & Margaret Sullivan.

While not really a holiday film, the inspiration for "You've Got Mail" and the musical "In the Good Old Summertime," tells the story of shopkeepers in love by mail, while harboring contempt for one another in person.

• Tuesday, December 30, 1:00 p.m.

Maytime, starring Jeannette MacDonald & Nelson Eddy.

This is probably the greatest film of the singing film pair about the romance of an American opera star with an up and coming American singer in Europe. Based on the record-setting stage play.

• Tuesday, January 6, 1:00 p.m.

Midnight, starring Don Ameche & Claudette Colbert.

Great comedy with an all-star cast follows a masquerading club singer roped into trying to break up the affair of a rich couple in Paris.

• Tuesday, January 20, 1:00 p.m.

Whole Family

Guardians of the Galaxy

From IMDB.com: A group of space criminals must work together to stop the fanatical villain Ronan the Accuser from destroying the galaxy. (PG-13, 2104, 113 minutes)

• Tuesday, December 23, 10:30 a.m.



Maleficent

From IMDB.com: A vengeful fairy is driven to curse an infant princess, only to discover that the child may be the one person who can restore peace to their troubled land. (PG, 2014, 97 minutes)

• Tuesday, December 23, 2:30 p.m.



Planes: Fire and Rescue

When Dusty learns that his engine is damaged and he may never race again, he joins a forest fire and rescue unit to be trained as a firefighter. (PG, 2014, 83 minutes)

• Saturday, December 27, 1:30 p.m.



Godzilla

The world's most famous monster is pitted against malevolent creatures who, bolstered by humanity's scientific arrogance, threaten our very existence. (PG-13, 2014, 123 minutes)

• Saturday, January 24, 1:30 p.m.



Programs for Teens

Teen Book Club

Join our teen book club, meeting every first Friday in the Netzer Room. Vote on titles for upcoming meetings, and find out what we're reading this month at http://cclteens.blogspot.com. Ask library staff if you'd like help getting a copy of a book club book. No registration required.

December Discussion Meeting: Friday, December 5, 3:30 p.m.

January Discussion Meeting: Friday, January 2, 3:30 p.m.



ARE YOU IN GRADES 6-12? WANT TO HANG OUT WITH FRIENDS, EAT, AND HELP PLAN LIBRARY EVENTS FOR TEENS? APPLY TO BE ON THE TEEN ADVISORY BOARD!

APPLICATIONS AVAILABLE AT THE LIBRARY CIRCULATION DESK.

MEETINGS GENERALLY EVERY FOURTH THURSDAY, NEXT ON:

JANUARY 22, 4:30-5:30 PM

December Events

Travel to Japan

Are you an anime/manga fan? Or just interested in Japanese culture? Join us to learn how to make a traditional Japanese snack, how to introduce yourself in Japanese, and write your name in Japanese! Registration opens November 13.

• Thursday, December 4, 3:30 p.m.

Ugly Sweater Party

Join us for a holiday ugly sweater party! All you need to do is bring a blank sweater and we'll provide the materials to make it ugly (or pretty, if you like)! We will also play some games and eat snacks. No registration required.

• Thursday, December 18, 5:00 p.m.

January Events

Make a Terrarium

Are you missing the outdoors during the winter months? Then why not bring the outdoors to you! Join us for a class in how to make a terrarium with a literary twist! Registration opens December 11.

• Thursday, January 8, 4:00 p.m.

The World of Steampunk

Journey to the world of Steampunk, the increasingly popular genre that combines Victorian fashion and science fiction! Learn about Steampunk and make Steampunk accessories! Registration opens January 2.

Thursday, January 22, 3:30 p.m.

Programs for Children

Storytimes

Preschool Storytime

Join us in the Netzer Room for stories, songs, and crafts to help develop pre-reading skills. Geared toward 3-5 year olds. No registration required.

• Tuesdays and Wednesdays, December 2-10, December 30-31; January 6-28, 10:30 a.m.



Lap Time at the Library

This storytime is just for babies and toddlers, birth to two years old. Bring your little one for stories, songs, and rhymes, just right for the youngest children. No registration required.

• Thursdays, December 4-18; January 8-29, 11:00 a.m.

Clever Public Library Storytime

Come each Saturday for an all-ages storytime at the Clever Public Library. No registration required.

• Saturdays, December 6 – January 31, 10:00 a.m.

December and January Events

Design an Ornament

Brighten up your Christmas tree with a new ornament. Stop by the library to design something fun for the 2014 holiday season. Supplies will be available all day. No registration required.

• Saturday, December 6, All Day

Preschool Christmas Party

Join us for holiday games, stories, and treats during our annual Preschool Christmas Party. Registration opens November 25.

- Tuesday, December 16, 10:30 a.m.
- Wednesday, December 17, 10:30 a.m.

Frozen Party

Celebrate ice and snow when you come to our "Frozen" party. There will be games and treats, and singing and dancing. Registration opens November 29.

• Saturday, December 20, 2:30 p.m.

Pirate Gear

Stuck at home imagining sunnier climes or adventure at sea? Start the new year by making pirate gear like a hat and patch, plus participate in a scavenger hunt to see what treasures abound at the library. The adventure goes on all day. No registration required.

• Saturday, January 10, All Day

Finger Paint Masterpiece

Get your hands movin' to a groove with finger painting and music for some midwinter art and fun. Registration opens January 10.

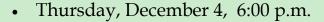
• Saturday, January 31, 2:30 p.m.



Library Events for Adults

Crafty in Christian County: Arm Knitting

Still not sure what to get your friends and family for this holiday season? Why not make them something unique! Come to the library and learn how to knit a cute, chunky scarf with your arms, no needles required! All you need to do is bring two skeins of thick yarn! Registration opens November 13.





Downton Abbey Tea and Trivia

Celebrate the return of Downton Abbey with an afternoon tea and Downton Abbey trivia. Dress for tea and wear your hat, or borrow one of ours. Registration opens December 13.

• Saturday, January 3, 2:00-4:00 p.m.

Crafty in Christian County: Scrapbooking Crop Party

Get those holiday photos into albums while the memories are still fresh. Bring your own photos, albums, tools, and materials, and we'll provide some paper and tools for sharing, plus refreshments. Registration opens December 20.

• Saturday, January 17, 2:00-4:00 p.m.

Make better investments in 2015.



Analysis on 1700 stocks, 2000 mutual funds, 300 exchange traded funds (ETFs) and quick information on a company.

Access it for free with your Christian County Library card at http://christiancountylibrary.org/databases.html.