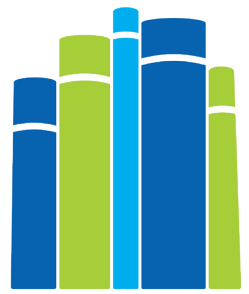




Fall breeze and autumn leaves



**LIBRARY
EVENTS
CALENDAR**
NOV/DEC 2023

**WINTER READING
CHALLENGE**

Dec. 1 - Jan. 31



ADULTS ages 18 and older

November

Yoga with Debra Tucker

Ozark Branch Tuesdays, 6-7 p.m.

Nixa Branch Thursdays, 6-7 p.m.

(No Class Nov. 23)

Take time for yourself with weekly classes from 417 Create Art & Yoga Studio.

Tai Chi with Chuck Mercer

Clever Branch

Thursdays, 11 a.m.- Noon

(No Class Nov. 23)

Find your inner balance each week with Legacy Martial Ways.

Let's Play: Yard Games

Clever Branch

Saturday, Nov. 4, 1-4 p.m.

For all ages

Challenge family and friends to your favorite yard games from the Library of Things collection.

Let's Play: Whist

Sparta Branch

Saturday, Nov. 4, 2-4 p.m.

Learn how to play this classic trick-taking card game that was the inspiration for Bridge.

Craft Class:

Sewing a Dog Bandana

Nixa Branch

Monday, Nov. 6, 5-7 p.m.

**Registration opens Oct. 16*

Master sewing basics by making a cute pup accessory. Bring your own sewing machine or use ours.

Nursing Home & Asset Planning with Ozarks Elder Law Clever Branch

Monday, Nov. 6, 5:30-6:30 p.m.

Elder law can be complex and sometimes confusing. Get your questions answered to best protect loved ones and yourself.



Reel Reads Book Club

Sparta Branch

Thursday, Nov. 9

3:30-4:30 p.m.

Marriage can be a real killer. Uncover

the thrilling twisted secrets in "Gone Girl" by Missouri native Gillian Flynn.

Yoga Workshop with Debra Tucker

Nixa Branch

Saturday, Nov. 11, 10-11:30 a.m.

Level up your yoga with new breathing and stretching exercises while using household items to accommodate restrictions and practice levels. Don't forget your mat.

Dr. Who Trivia with Amanda Cole

Nixa Branch

Saturday, Nov. 11, 2-3 p.m.

In celebration of its 60th anniversary we are climbing into the TARDIS for time-traveling trivia.

Brown Bag Travelogue Ozark Branch

Tuesday, Nov. 14, 12:30-1:30 p.m.

Explore the sites in Switzerland and Italy with Amber without leaving the library.

Craft Class: Diamond Painting Clever Branch

Wednesday, Nov. 15

10:30-11:30 a.m.

**Registration opens Nov. 1*

Try out this new hobby that combines beading and painting for a visually dazzling art piece that sparkles and shines.



Books & Baristas

The Baked Bean

Coffee Shop, 1860

N. Commerce Drive

Nixa, Saturday

Nov. 18, 10-11 a.m.

Truman Capote

created the non-fiction novel genre with "In Cold Blood" the true story of the Clutter family murders.

Dungeons & Dragons Roundtable with

Troy from "I Want To Be A GM" YouTube channel

Nixa Branch

Saturday, Nov. 18, 2-4 p.m.

For all ages

Ready to jump into the world of orcs, elves, displacer beasts and dragons? Join our informational D&D session as we prepare a new adventure for players of all skill levels.



Native American Storytelling

with **Suzanne**

Michelle Jones

Ozark Branch

Saturday, Nov. 18

2-3 p.m.

For all ages

During this Native American Heritage Month hear traditional stories of the Choctaw, Cherokee and Delaware Nations.

**Estate Planning with
Ozarks Elder Law
Clever Branch**

Monday, Nov. 20, 5:30-6:30 p.m.

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**Raspberry Cordial
Book Club**

Ozark Branch

**Tuesday, Nov. 28
1-2 p.m.**

Ever wondered what your life would be like

if you chose a different path? Nora Seed has that chance and it is as simple as choosing a book from a shelf in "The Midnight Library" by Matt Haig.

December

**Let's Play: Apples to Apples
Sparta Branch**

Saturday, Dec. 2, 2-4 p.m.

Play a few rounds to see what all the fuss is about in this award-winning word comparison party game.

**Craft Class:
Sewing a Pillow Case
Nixa Branch**

Monday, Dec. 4, 5-7 p.m.

**Registration opens Nov. 16*

You won't want to sleep on this event (or maybe you will)! Create a custom pillowcase using fun fabric patterns. Bring your own sewing machine or use ours.

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**Craft Class: Simple Garlands
Sparta Branch**

Saturday, Dec. 9, 10 a.m.- Noon

Create garland with funky colors and textures using this simple finger crochet technique.

**Craft Class:
Light-Up Greeting Cards
Ozark Branch**

Tuesday, Dec. 12, 11 a.m.- Noon

**Registration opens Nov. 28*

Impress family and friends with homemade holiday cards that will also brighten their day.

**Brown Bag Travelogue
Ozark Branch**

Tuesday, Dec. 12, 12:30-1:30 p.m.

Set sail with Nicholas from Holland to Hungary down the Rhine and Danube Rivers dotted with windmills, castles and cathedrals.



**Reel Reads
Book Club**

Sparta Branch

**Thursday, Dec. 14
3:30-4:30 p.m.**

The story of Meg, Jo, Beth and Amy

has been adapted for film seven times. Find out why "Little Women" by Louisa May Alcott is such a beloved classic.

**Let's Play: UNO
Clever Branch**

Friday, Dec. 15, 2:30-4:30 p.m.

Don't 'skip' out on the opportunity to have a 'wild' time while playing multiple variations of this classic family game.



Books & Baristas

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Nixa, Saturday

Dec. 16, 10-11 a.m.

Feel the isolation

and magic of Russia's dark forests in Katherine Arden's "The Bear and the Nightingale" based on the classic fairytale.

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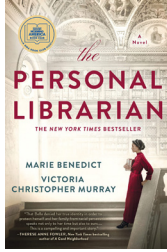
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Raspberry Cordial Book Club Ozark Branch

Tuesday, Dec. 19
1-2 p.m.

The private
librarian of J.P.

Morgan collects rare books and artwork all while hiding a scandalous secret. Find out what that is in "The Personal Librarian" by Marie Benedict and Victoria Christopher Murray.

Bullet Journaling 101 Nixa Branch

Thursday, Dec. 28, 4-5:30 p.m.

*Registration opens Dec. 14

For all ages

Get organized and track goals with the mindfulness practice of bullet journaling designed for productivity. Supplies are provided.

Walk-In Vaccination Clinic

**Nixa community branch
Monday, Nov. 6, 11 a.m.- 1 p.m.**

**Ozark community branch
Monday, Dec. 4, 11 a.m.- 1 p.m.**

If you need this year's Flu or COVID-19 booster, it's as easy as stopping by the library. No appointment required. To determine if a vaccine is right for you, speak with your family doctor.



More info at christiancountylibrary.org/vaccine-clinic

TEENS for grades 7-12

November

Dungeons & Dragons Battle Royale

Nixa Branch

Friday, Nov. 3, 4:30-7:30 p.m.

**Registration opens Oct. 20*

It's an all-out battle in this epic and magical tournament where only one winner will emerge.

Pumpkin Spice Sugar Scrub

Sparta Branch

Wednesday, Nov. 8

4:30-5:30 p.m.

Pamper yourself with this homemade seasonal body scrub.

Teen Advisory Board

Nixa Branch

Monday, Nov. 13, 5-6 p.m.

**Registration required*

For grades 9 and up

We need your big ideas for future library events and activities—tell us at our next meeting.

S'mores Hangout

Clever Branch

Thursday, Nov. 16, 4-5 p.m.

Have s'more fun with gooey treats and creamy hot cocoa as the sun sets.

Owl Painting

Ozark Branch

Friday, Nov. 17, 4-5:30 p.m.

Whoo, whoo is excited to paint a fall scene together?

Dungeons & Dragons Club Ozark Branch

Monday, Nov. 20, 4:30-6 p.m.

Whether you've only heard about the game, or played hundreds of times, there is space for you to join.

Makerspace Challenge

Clever Branch

Tuesday, Nov. 21, 3:30-5 p.m.

Ready to explore and create something new? Design your favorite book character out of clay during this interactive, hands-on workspace.



Teen Book Club

Nixa Branch

Tuesday, Nov. 28
6-7 p.m.

All it takes is one person to make a change. Journey

through the heart-racing and emotional dystopian fiction story of "Internment" by Samira Ahmed.

December

Book Swap & Social

Sparta Branch

Monday, Dec. 4, 4-6 p.m.

Bring a book, take a book and stay for snacks and warm apple cider.

Snowman Building Contest

Clever Branch

Wednesday, Dec. 6, 4-5 p.m.

Do you wanna build a snowman... indoors? Construct magical friends and win prizes.

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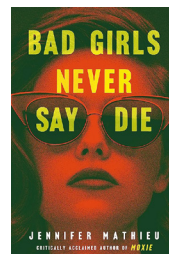
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Ready to explore and create something new? Shake things up with your own winter wonderland snow globe during this interactive, hands-on workspace.



Teen Book Club

Nixa Branch

Tuesday, Dec. 19
6-7 p.m.

This reimagining of "The Outsiders" has female friendships,

murder, secrets and tragedy in Jennifer Mathieu's "Bad Girls Never Say Die."

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Baby Bounce

For babies up to 18 months

THURSDAYS - OZARK

9:45-10:30 a.m.

Family Storytime

For kids up to age six

MONDAYS - SPARTA

11-11:45 a.m.

TUESDAYS - NIXA

10-10:45 a.m.
11-11:45 a.m.

WEDNESDAYS - OZARK

10-10:45 a.m.
11-11:45 a.m.

FRIDAYS - CLEVER

10:30-11:15 a.m.

KIDS & FAMILIES Pre-K - grade 6

November

All About Apples

Ozark Branch

Thursday, Nov. 2, 4-5 p.m.

You absolutely don't want to miss these themed games, crafts and tasting of different types of apples.

Tent Play Day

Ozark Branch

Monday, Nov. 6, 2-5 p.m.

Let your imagination run wild at this library play day.

Finger Paint Play Day

Clever Branch

Monday, Nov. 13, 3-4:30 p.m.

Making art can be messy and a whole lot of fun. Use finger paint to create fabulous fall pictures.

DIY Picture Book

Sparta Branch

Wednesday, Nov. 15

4:30-5:30 p.m.

For grades 3 and up

Dream of becoming an author? Learn the steps involved while creating your own book.

PAWS for Reading

Nixa Branch

Thursday, Nov. 16, 3:30-5:30 p.m.

*Registration opens Nov. 2

These pups are all ears! Reluctant readers can build confidence while reading to the cutest audience around.

Faux Stained Glass

Ozark Branch

Thursday, Nov. 16, 4-5 p.m.

For grades 3 and up

Let the sun shine bright on this painting craft inspired by stained glass.

Tea-Rex Party

Sparta Branch

Tuesday, Nov. 21, 4:30-5:30 p.m.

Sip tea and nibble treats as we learn proper etiquette - the dinosaur way!

Mario Kart Smackdown!

Nixa Branch

Saturday, Nov. 25, 1:30-3 p.m.

For grades 3 and up

Watch out for turtle shells and banana peels during this high speed tournament.

Game Play Day

Clever Branch

Monday, Nov. 27, 4-5 p.m.

For grades 3 and up

Play the day away with tabletop favorites, corn hole and Nintendo Switch games.

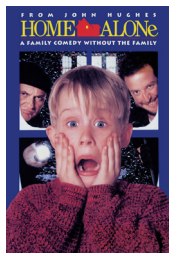
Card Crafting

Nixa Branch

Thursday, Nov. 30, 3:30-5 p.m.

Sometimes it takes stamps, washi tape and markers to make that extra special card.

December



Home Alone **Movie Bingo** **Ozark Branch** Saturday, Dec. 2 3-5 p.m.

Iron to the face.
Slipping on ice.

Paint cans tied with string. Win fabulous prizes as we play bingo during this holiday classic. Rated PG.

Make a Snow Globe **Ozark Branch**

Thursday, Dec. 7, 4-5 p.m.

For grades 3 and up

Shake things up by making your own winter wonderland scene.

Bluey Play Day

Nixa Branch

Saturday, Dec. 9, 2:30-4:30 p.m.

Hooray! Get ready for Bluey-inspired activities in this wackadoo play day.

Seasonal Treats

Clever Branch

Monday, Dec. 11, 3-4 p.m.

Make delicious and adorable treats for the whole family.

Ninja Turtles Pizza Party

Sparta Branch

Monday, Dec. 11, 4-6 p.m.

For grades 3 and up

Cowabunga! Show off your turtle power with pizza, crafts and games in the half-shell.

Book Bingo

Nixa Branch

Thursday, Dec. 14, 4:30-6 p.m.

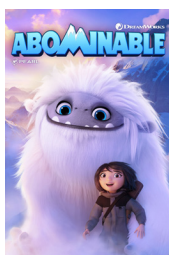
Match five numbers in a row. Shout "Bingo." Win fabulous books to take home.

DIY Chocolate Treats

Ozark Branch

Friday, Dec. 15, 4-5 p.m.

Pick some treats, take a seat and enjoy dipping into some chocolate.



Movie Day:

Abominable

Sparta Branch

Tuesday, Dec. 19
4-6 p.m.

Join a lost yeti and human as they

discover who they can trust and find their way home. Rated PG.


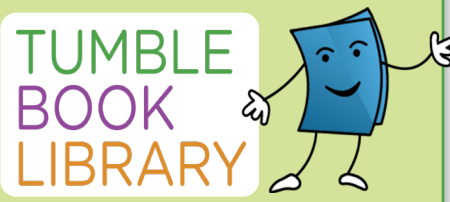
Gingerbread House Craft

Clever Branch

Wednesday, Dec. 27, 3:30-5 p.m.

For grades 3 and up

Build a house so good you might want to take a bite!



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Holiday Closings

**Friday
Nov. 10**

Veterans Day
(Observed)

**Thursday
Nov. 23**

Thanksgiving Day

**Saturday
Dec. 23**

Christmas Eve
(Observed)

**Monday
Dec. 25**

Christmas Day

**Monday,
Jan. 1**

New Year's Day

WINTER READING CHALLENGE

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What we all have in common is
each of us comes from a story.
Cozy up this winter with a new or
favorite tale that celebrates your
special history, culture and places.

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