



LIBRARY EVENTS CALENDAR

NOV/DEC 2022



***Cozy up with
your library card
this holiday season!***



Winter Reading Challenge

Dec. 1 - Jan. 31

Check the back
for more info.

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. 24)

Take time for yourself with weekly yoga classes presented by 417 Create Art & Yoga Studio.

Tai Chi with Chuck Mercer

Clever Branch

Thursdays, 11 a.m.- Noon

(No Class Nov. 24)

Find your inner balance during weekly Tai Chi classes with Legacy Martial Ways.

Book Sale

Sparta Branch

Friday, Nov. 4 - Saturday, Nov. 5
9:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

Recommended for all ages.

Get a jump on your holiday shopping with books, puzzles, board games and more—all while supporting the Friends of the Library.



DIY Greeting Cards

with Karen Shirer

Nixa Branch

Saturday, Nov. 5, 2-3:30 p.m.

*Registration opens Oct. 22

Beginners and advanced crafters will enjoy creating their own cards with guidance from an expert. Supplies provided.

Fall Floral Arrangements with Ladybug Floral & Gifts Ozark Branch

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

*Registration opens Oct. 22

Learn the art of floral arrangement while crafting your own stunning fall centerpiece.

Craft Supply Swap

Sparta Branch

Saturday, Nov. 12, 10 a.m.- Noon

Bring leftover craft bits and swap them with others. Drop off materials before the event at the Sparta community branch.

Retirement Planning

with Edward Jones

Clever Branch

Monday, Nov. 14, 6-7 p.m.

IRAs, 401Ks, pensions, insurance and annuities can be confusing. Get your retirement questions answered by a financial advisor.

Craft Class:

Winter Owl Ornament

Clever Branch

Tuesday, Nov. 15, 3-4 p.m.

*Registration opens Oct. 25

Prepare for long winter months with this cute felt friend who can also be a festive holiday decoration.



Cinema and

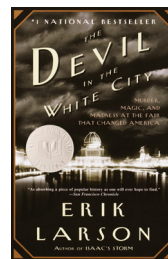
SocieTea

Ozark Branch

Wednesday, Nov. 16
4-6 p.m.

Take a trip back to Maycomb, AL with

Atticus Finch, played by Gregory Peck, in the 1962 film adaptation of "To Kill A Mockingbird."



True Crime Club

Ozark Branch

Thursday, Nov. 17

6-7 p.m.

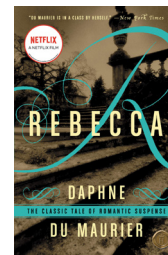
Just blocks away from the Chicago World's Fair in 1893, a killer built a hotel of horrors. Find out more in "The Devil in the White City" by Erik Larson.

Open Book Chat

Sparta Branch

Thursday, Nov. 17, 6-7 p.m.

A book club to discuss your favorite recent reads with others—and grab new reading suggestions.



Books & Baristas

The Baked Bean

Coffee Shop, 1860

N. Commerce Drive

Nixa, Saturday

Nov. 19, 10-11 a.m.

"Last night I dreamt I went to Manderley again." A young woman impulsively marries a wealthy widower and discovers he is haunted by the memory of his late wife in, "Rebecca," by Daphne Du Maurier.

StoryTellers

Clever Branch

Saturday, Nov. 19, 2-3 p.m.

Storytelling is the heart of teaching and learning. Share your stories of years gone by with the community during this open discussion.

Register today at christiancountylibrary.org/events



Raspberry Cordial Book Club Ozark Branch

Tuesday, Nov. 22
1-2 p.m.

Kristin Hannah's
"The Four Winds" is a

powerful American epic about love, hope and the tribulations of one family during the Great Depression.

December

Tai Chi with Chuck Mercer Clever Branch

Thursdays, 11 a.m.- Noon
Find your inner balance during weekly Tai Chi classes with Legacy Martial Ways.

Yoga with Debra Tucker Ozark Branch Tuesdays, 6-7 p.m. Nixa Branch Thursdays, 6-7 p.m. (No Class Dec. 29)

Take time for yourself with weekly yoga classes presented by 417 Create Art & Yoga Studio.

Craft Class: Finger Knitted Garland Sparta Branch

Saturday, Dec. 3, 10 a.m.- Noon
*Registration opens Nov. 19
Create a festive and colorful garland, the perfect addition to your home's winter decor.

Everything You Need to Know to Self-Publish with Bon Tindle Nixa Branch

Saturday, Dec. 3, 2-3 p.m.
Local author of the essay collection, "Like the Air We Breathe," provides insider tips on how to self-publish your own works.

Craft Class: Gift Tags Ozark Branch

Wednesday, Dec. 7, 4-5 p.m.
*Registration opens Nov. 23
Repurpose old books and maps into trendy, stunning gift tags.

Craft Class: Paint a Snowman Clever Branch

Saturday, Dec. 10, 10 a.m.- Noon
*Registration opens Nov. 23
Can't build a snowman? Paint one instead.

Fabric Origami Ornaments with Mika Logan

Nixa Branch
Saturday, Dec. 10, 3-4 p.m.
*Registration opens Nov. 26
Trim the tree with your own hand-crafted art, taught by local origamist. Designs include diamond, fluted-style and crane with bell.



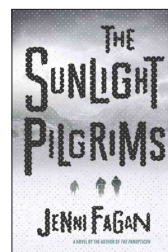
True Crime Club Ozark Branch

Thursday, Dec. 15
6-7 p.m.
Things are not always as they appear, especially

in the case of Dee Dee and Gypsy Rose Blanchard. Use your library card to watch the documentary "Mommy Dead and Dearest" using Access Video on Demand.

Open Book Chat Sparta Branch

Thursday, Dec. 15, 6-7 p.m.
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Books & Baristas The Baked Bean Coffee Shop, 1860 N. Commerce Drive Nixa, Saturday Dec. 17, 10-11 a.m.

The world is freezing over, each day colder than the last. Jenni Fagan's "The Sunlight Pilgrims," tells the story of resilience in the face of adversity and disaster.

StoryTellers Clever Branch

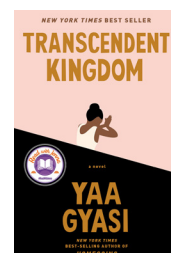
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Cinema and SocieTea Ozark Branch

Saturday, Dec. 17
4-6 p.m.

"Let us be elegant or die!" we yell, teacup in hand. Don't miss this 1994 film adaptation of Louisa May Alcott's "Little Women."



Raspberry Cordial Book Club Ozark Branch

Tuesday, Dec. 27
1-2 p.m.

Faith, science, religion, addiction, mental health and love all intersect in Yaa Gyasi's "Transcendent Kingdom," about a family of Ghanaian immigrants.

TEENS for grades 8-12

November

Open Study Hall (and Snacks) Nixa Branch

Tuesday, Nov. 8, 4:30-6:30 p.m.
Need extra prep for your next test?
Get helpful study strategies, tips and
tutoring in a quiet environment.

Anime Night Sparta Branch

Monday, Nov. 14, 4-6 p.m.
Love all things anime? Join us for
an evening of watching popular
shows and making character-
inspired buttons!

Teen Advisory Board Ozark Branch

Monday, Nov. 14, 5-6 p.m.
**Registration required*
We need your big ideas for
future library programs and
activities—tell us at our
next meeting.

Mario Kart Smack Down Tournament! Clever Branch

Thursday, Nov. 17, 4-5:30 p.m.
Watch out for turtle shells and
banana peels during this epic
video game tournament.

Dungeons & Dragons Club Ozark Branch

Monday, Nov. 21, 4:30-6 p.m.
Whether you've only heard about
the game, or played hundreds
of times, there is space for you
in this adventure.



Teen Book Club Nixa Branch

Tuesday, Nov. 22, 6-7 p.m.
Two fugitives set
off on a desperate
journey, hitchhiking
through the Midwest, in Laura
Moriarty's alternate history
suspense, "American Heart."

Open Study Hall (and Snacks) Nixa Branch

Tuesday, Nov. 29, 4:30-6:30 p.m.
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December

Hot Cocoa Flavor Lab Clever Branch

Monday, Dec. 5, 3:30-4:30 p.m.
Mix your own signature hot cocoa
concoctions using peppermint,
pumpkin, hazelnut and more to
celebrate the chilly season.

Cozy Hangout Ozark Branch

Thursday, Dec. 8, 4-6 p.m.
Customized mugs, hot
chocolate (with all the fixins)
and cozy movie—you don't
want to miss this hangout.

Teen Advisory Board Nixa Branch

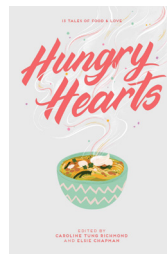
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LED Snowflakes Sparta Branch

Tuesday, Dec. 13, 4-6 p.m.
Make those snowflakes actually
sparkle using LED paper circuits.

Dungeons & Dragons Club Ozark Branch

Monday, Dec. 19, 4:30-6 p.m.
Whether you've only heard about
the game, or played hundreds
of times, there is space for you
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Teen Book Club Nixa Branch

Tuesday, Dec. 20, 6-7 p.m.
Warm up with stories
about moments of
fear, loss, heartbreak
and uncertainty in "Hungry Hearts,"
edited by Caroline Tung Richmond
and Elsie Chapman.

Bullet Journaling 101 Nixa Branch

Thursday, Dec. 29, 5-6:30 p.m.
**Registration opens Dec. 15*
Get organized. Create goals.
And stay on track in the new
year with a bullet journal.

Register today at christiancountylibrary.org/events

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TWEENS for grades 5-7

November

Stained Glass Painting

Clever Branch

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

**Registration opens Oct. 19*

Create a gorgeous, fall-ish stained glass art piece to decorate any room.

Animation for Beginners

Ozark Branch

Thursday, Nov. 10, 4-6 p.m.

Learn animation basics while directing your own mini-movies.

Sharpie Mugs

Sparta Branch

Friday, Nov. 18, 4-5 p.m.

Create a masterpiece using only sharpies and a mug. Plus, you get to keep the mug!

Mario Kart Smack Down Tournament!

Nixa Branch

Saturday, Nov. 26, 1:30-3 p.m.

Watch out for turtle shells and banana peels during this epic video game tournament.

December

Craft-A-Palooza!

Nixa Branch

Tuesday, Dec. 13, 4-5:30 p.m.

It's the craftiest time of year! Make cards, upcycle tin cans and more holiday-themed crafts.

Super Snow Globes

Sparta Branch

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

Ozark Branch

Friday, Dec. 16, 4-5 p.m.

Build a winter scene using figurines and glitter inside this magical snow globe.

Ugly Sweater Party

Clever Branch

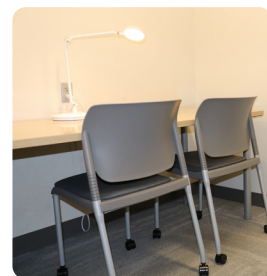
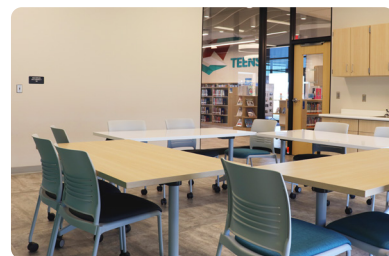
Tuesday, Dec. 20, 4-5 p.m.

Sled over for winter party games and fun, but don't forget your ugly sweater to be eligible for extra prizes.

Need a place to *study* or space for a *meeting*?

Book in advance up to 90 days for a meeting room, and up to 7 days for a study room.

Reserve a room
online anytime for free.



christiancountylibrary.org/meeting-room

Family Storytime

For kids up to age six

TUESDAY

Nixa

10-10:45 a.m.

11-11:45 a.m.

WEDNESDAY

Ozark

10-10:45 a.m.

11-11:45 a.m.

THURSDAY

Sparta

10-10:45 a.m.

FRIDAY

Clever

10:30-11:15 a.m.

Virtual Storytime: Fridays, 10 a.m. on  YouTube

No Storytimes Nov. 11, 22-25 & Dec. 20-30

KIDS & FAMILIES Pre-K - Grade 4

November

Why Do Leaves Change Colors?

Clever Branch

Monday, Nov. 14, 3-3:30 p.m.

Why does a leaf change from green to red? Or yellow? Find out at this interactive science activity.



Movie and Crafts Nixa Branch

Thursday, Nov. 17

4:30-6 p.m.

Help Judy Hopps and Nick Wilde solve a mysterious case in the movie "Zootopia." Snacks and crafts included.

Saturday Storytime

Sparta Branch

Saturday, Nov. 19, 10-10:45 a.m.

Join us as we read, sing, play and learn early literacy skills at this special Family Storytime.

Dinosaur Play Day

Ozark Branch

Saturday, Nov. 19, 1-5 p.m.

These dinosaur-themed crafts and activities are di-no-mite!

Register today at christiancountylibrary.org/events

KIDS & FAMILIES Pre-K - Grade 4

December

Photos with Santa

Nixa Branch

Saturday, Dec. 3, 10 a.m.- 1 p.m.
He's here! He's here! Come meet jolly old Saint Nick. Just don't forget your camera. Hosted by the Christian County Friends of the Library.



Salt-Painted Snowflakes

Ozark Branch

Thursday, Dec. 1, 4-5 p.m.

You might want to lick these snowflakes—but you shouldn't!

Craft-A-Palooza!

Nixa Branch

Tuesday, Dec. 6, 4-5:30 p.m.

Clever Branch

Thursday, Dec. 15, 4-5:30 p.m.

It's the craftiest time of year! Make cards, upcycle tin cans and more holiday-themed crafts.



Movie and Crafts

Sparta Branch

Friday, Dec. 9

4-6 p.m.

Even cotton-headed ninny muggins will enjoy this

holiday classic, complete with crafts and snacks.

Saturday Storytime

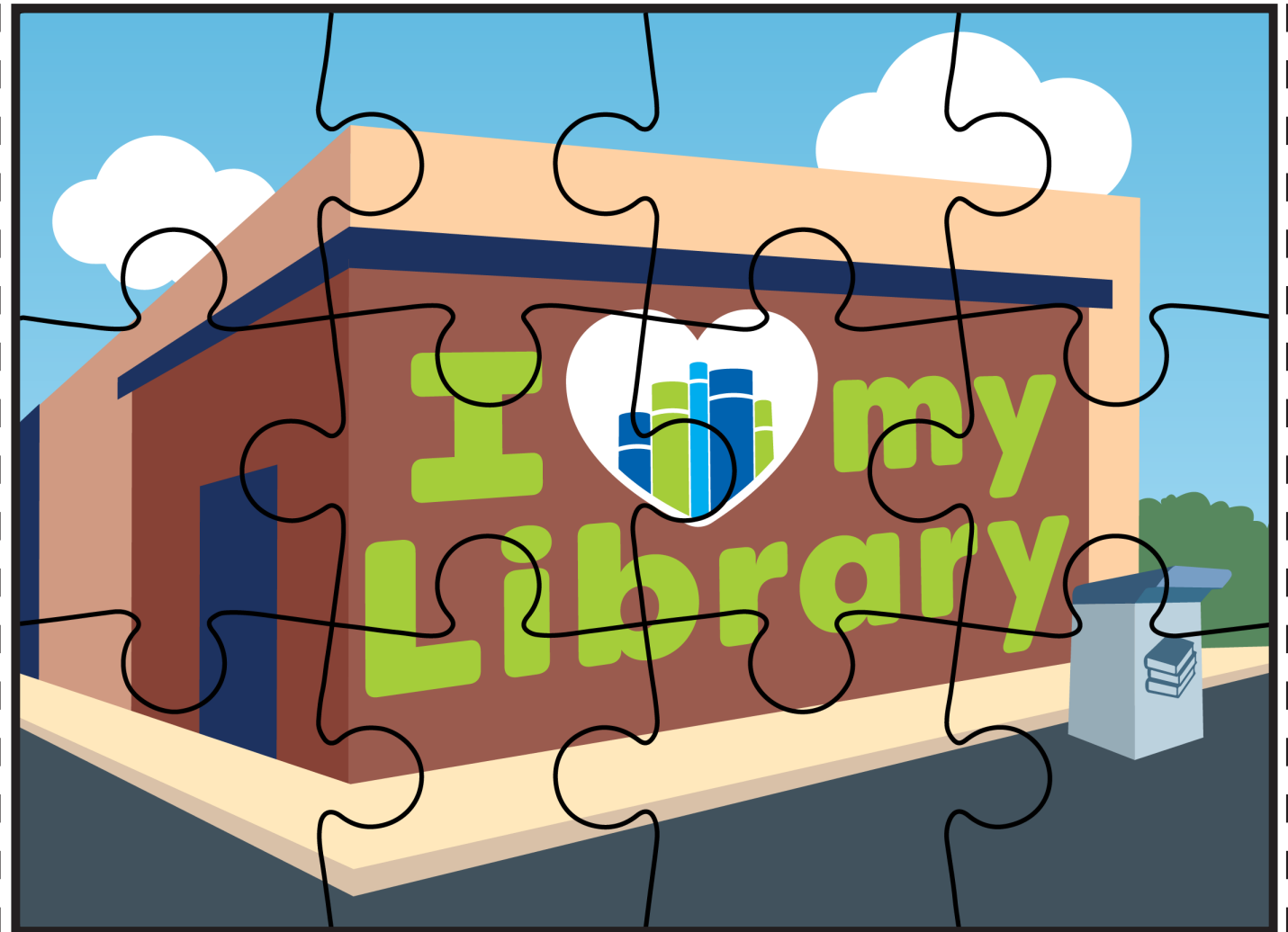
Sparta Branch

Saturday, Dec. 17, 10-10:45 a.m.

Join us as we read, sing, play and learn early literacy skills at this special Family Storytime.



Cut out this image to create your own puzzle.



Winter Reading Challenge Reading Reflections

Dec. 1 - Jan. 31

Snuggle up with (several) good books this winter and earn chances to win magical prizes.



beanstack

Submit your tickets for a **Harry Potter** book set inspired by each of the four Hogwarts Houses.

christiancountylibrary.beanstack.org

Holiday Closings

**Friday
Nov. 11**

Veteran's Day

**Thursday
Nov. 24**

Thanksgiving Day

**Saturday
Dec. 24**

Christmas Eve

**Monday
Dec. 26**

(Christmas observed)

**Saturday,
Dec. 31**

Closing at 5 p.m.



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(417) 724-6100

OZARK

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(417) 581-2432

SPARTA

147 Library Ln.
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