



Merry Christmas



Gingerbread House Contest Open to All Ages

Bring all entries to the Knox County Public Library,
502 N. 7th street, Vincennes

- Saturday, 12/5 from 8:30am-5:30pm
 - Sunday, 12/6 from 1-5pm
- Prizes Given in Each Age Category during
Christmas Open House Monday, 12/7 from
6:30-8:30pm

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From the Desk of the Director Emily Cooper Bunyan



"I am among those who think that science has great beauty. A scientist in her laboratory is not only a technician: she is also a child placed before natural phenomena which impress her like a fairy tale."

Cooler Weather Means Cool Science with WonderLab

The halls of the library are decked in holly and Christmas carols will be playing as people of all ages deliver their gingerbread house entries to the main library all day, 8:30am-5:30pm on Saturday, December 5, for the gingerbread contest.

To add to the excitement, children and families can enjoy a science program that day at 2pm.

Sponsored by First Financial Bank of Vincennes and presented by WonderLab Museum, Bloomington, the program will be in the newly renovated youth department.

WonderLab wants to prove that science and learning are super cool. Wonderlab's "Super Cool Science" show is a remarkable demonstration of liquid nitrogen, the liquefied form of nitrogen gas that is an astonishing -319 degrees Fahrenheit! As a special treat, for the experiments on December 5, WonderLab will use liquid nitrogen ice cream.

WonderLab Scientist, Stacy, will guide participants through the experiments as children learn how ordinary matter changes in extraordinary ways when exposed to extreme cold temperatures.

Everyone will get in on the action when, at the end of the show, liquid nitrogen ice cream is frozen right in front of the audience's eyes.

This 45-minute interactive demonstration is geared for an elementary school age audience, but will be enjoyed by those younger and older as well!

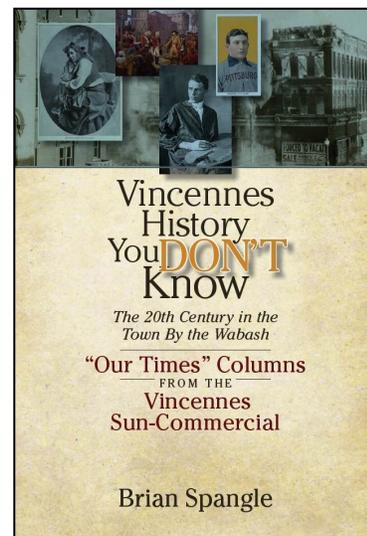
Free and open to all, this fun and educational event for families is made possible by the generosity of First Financial Bank, Vincennes.

McGrady-Brockman House News Brian Spangle

The library's McGrady-Brockman House is the place to purchase your copy of the recently published book *Vincennes History You DON'T Know: The 20th Century in the Town by the Wabash*. The book is a collection of some of the local history columns written by Brian Spangle for the *Vincennes Sun-Commercial* over the past 16 years.

There are columns in the book on Presidents who have visited Vincennes; celebrities who have performed here; life on the home front during two world wars; buildings and other landmarks; the celebration of holidays and special events; tragedies; interesting local people; extreme weather; crime; and much, much more.

The cost of the book is \$25 and all profits go to the Knox County Public Library to aid, support and enhance library services. It would make an excellent Christmas gift for that hard to buy for person on your list. Get your copy while supplies last!



**Come in from the Cold and Find Warmth
from the Edifying Fire
Winter Reading Program for Adults by
Judy Kratzner**



Winter is the ideal time to read. Through the winter reading program for adults, we, at the library encourage reading by suggesting intriguing titles to read. We also give prizes for reading.

These prizes are awarded over a five week period, January 8-February 15. Participation includes enjoyment of the written word in any format, printed work, eBook or sound recording. Everything you need to register for the program is at the main library's front desk. To get started, ask a staff member for a registration form. You'll receive a votive candle when you register.

This gift symbolizes the warmth and glow you'll feel when reading this winter.

For each three hours of reading time, submit an entry for the weekly prize drawing. Names will be drawn on January 11, 18 and 25 and February 1, 18 and 15. Prizes include gifts from local merchants and Friends of the Knox County Public Library book sale gift certificates. Prize winners names will be published on the library's website. Staff members will phone winners to pick up prizes.

Let me explain the theme of this winter's reading program. You can begin to understand by listening to Joni Mitchell sing, via You Tube, the song, "Come in from the Cold." This lyric refers to the Cold War period as depicted in the newly released Steven Spielberg spy thriller film, *Bridge of Spies*. The title is also a nod to the 1965 film, *Spy Who Came in from the Cold*, based on the 1963 novel with the same name by John Le Carre.

The winter reading display will have non fiction books about the Cold War period and spy novels.

The lyrics of Mitchell's song also bring to mind the next steps necessary for emancipation from slavery. The theme of edifying fire will have us adding inspirational books, both fiction and non fiction, to our book displays.

Prizes are fun to receive and the big reward is the personal enrichment inherent in reading. Contact Judy Kratzner at 812-886-4380, ext. 34 for more information. 812-886-4380, ext. 34 for more information.

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Your Holiday preparation can start with our special craft programs at the KCPL. The library will offer two "how to" programs in December to make your holiday season brighter.

Ornaments

On Thursday, December 3, at 2 p.m. get in the Christmas spirit by creating Christmas ornaments from old Christmas cards. Elva Manning will show how to make these festive ornaments suitable for decorating trees, wreaths or hanging with garland. Participants are encouraged to bring their old Christmas cards.

Holiday Tablescaping

On Thursday, December 10th, at 2 p.m. crafters will create decorative placemats for the holiday table. Using inexpensive materials, the placemats will add a festive personal touch and will provide a surface to protect the table cloth.

Hundreds of holiday books are now on display in the library. This holiday collection includes books on crafts, entertaining, novels, Christmas around the world and decorating. Call 812-886-4380, to register for the above programs. Free and open to the public, these programs will be conducted in the main library, 02 N. 7th Street, Vincennes.



After a busy fall season, playing with various orchestras on the East Coast, including a performance with The Philadelphia Orchestra for the Papal visit and recording with the Baltimore Symphony, harpist Marianne Meyer will return to her hometown during the holidays and offer a free concert at the Fortnightly Club Building on Sunday, December 27 at three o'clock. The theme for this year's recital, sponsored as always by the Knox County Public Library, will be "Night Songs" and will include nocturnes by Field and Glinka and works by Bartok and Piazzolla, among others, as well as some holiday favorites. Join us for an afternoon of beautiful harp music, an event which has become an increasingly popular annual library tradition on the Sunday between Christmas and New Year's.

Annette McMullen

Youth Department News

Amy Blake
Youth News!

Old Man Winter has arrived! **Storytime** will begin on January 6, 2016 in the Youth Department. Storytime is a great way for children to learn how to be creative as they interact with stories, music and art. Join us on Tuesday's at 7pm with Linda Swing for the Evening Stars and Amy Blake on Wednesday's at 10 am for Morning Stars. These programs target preschoolers, but everyone is welcome.

Mother Goose On the Loose runs continuously on Tuesdays at 10:30 am in the Youth Department. This program is for infants through toddlers. Mother Goose on the Loose helps children develop skills for success in a classroom such as vocabulary and strengthens foundational reading skills. MGOL gives children opportunities to practice turn-taking, direction following, paying attention and showing appreciation to others. The age-appropriate listening, moving, and singing that takes place in MGOL exercises fine and gross motor skills, fosters speech development, keeps children's interest for an extended period of time, gives children opportunities to make scientific observations regarding cause and effect, and provides a joyful introduction to the world of books and reading. Call 812-886-4380 and ask for Amy.



Youth Department News

Diana Martin

Zippity Dance Family Fun

Dance to upbeat music, listen to a story and dance some more during the library's new Zippity Dance family programs. The programs are from 2-2:30pm, with Miss Diana in the youth department, on the first Saturdays of each month, beginning on January 9.

The programs are open to families with children ages pre-kindergarten-12 years old.

ZippityArt stories, songs, arts and crafts with Miss Diana will be from 2-2:30pm on the third Saturday of each month, beginning on January 23.

These programs are for the Zippity Dance age group mentioned above. Filled with stories, songs and hand-on craft times, children will make art projects to take home.

Teen Department News

Jordan Ellerman

The month of November has been a busy one. I have been visiting the Lincoln High School Book Club and we have been reading Ashfall, an Indiana author. The students are great! Very bright and they really enjoy the book. The Thinker Tinker attendees got to make a light up bookmark using conductive copper and LED lights. They also made Sewn Circuit gloves that had conductive thread and LED lights sewn into the gloves. The last project was a snack item, a 90-second Blueberry Muffin. They really liked it (and the maple syrup sugar rush didn't hurt much either!) I plan on having more programs like this in the near future! Teen Advisory Board (TAB) applications are available! The first meeting is being planned for January. We have already received a few responses from teens in the community. It is a great way to get involved in how teens can be better served in the community and their library. TAB is also a great way to meet new friends and take part in a fun community service.

Upcoming Programs

Starting January, the Teen Department will begin offering a few new weekly programs! On a switching schedule for Tuesdays, teen patrons will be offered a movie night and a board/card game night! One Tuesday evening will be dedicated to movies and popcorn. The next, the night will be all about board games! Totally fun and laid back, the program will be on Tuesday nights from 6-8pm.

Also starting in January, Wii Wednesdays! On Wednesday evening, the library will be firing up our Wii and playing a variety of Wii games! Come in and try and race us on Rainbow Road or join the Mario Party! This free program will be offered on Wednesday evenings from 4-6 for the teens in the Teen Department! In case of date change for any upcoming programs, check in closer to date by calling (812)886-4380 or by checking the Teen Department's Facebook and Twitter pages or by checking the Knox County Public Library webpage.



Seasons Greetings



Harpist Maryanne Meyer will return to her hometown during the holidays and offers a free Concert:

“NIGHT SONG”

SUNDAY DECEMBER 27 AT 3:00pm

Fortnightly Club House

411 N. 6th St.

Selections will include nocturnes by Field and Glinka and works by Bartok and Piazzolla, among others, as well as some holiday favorites.

Sponsored by the Knox County Public Library

December 2015

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 <i>Silly Safari Fortnightly 6:30pm</i>	2	3 <i>Craft Time at the Library 2:00pm Elva Manning</i>	4 <i>Wonder Lab Elementary Children and Families</i>	5 <i>Wonder Lab Elementary Children and Families</i>
6	7 <i>Gingerbread House Judging & Open House 6:30pm-8:30pm</i>	8	9	10 <i>Craft Time at the Library 2:00pm Judy Kratzner</i>	11	12
13	14	15 <i>KCPL Board Meeting 4:00pm</i>	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24  <i>Closed for Christmas</i>	25  <i>Closed for Christmas</i>	26
27 <i>Harpist Maryanne Meyer Holiday Concert Fortnightly 3:00pm</i>	28	29	30	31 <i>LIBRARY CLOSED</i> 		

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Mother Goose on the Loose
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Adult Winter Reading Program Begins

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MCGRADY-BROCKMAN HOUSE HOURS

MON: 12:00 - 4:00 P.M., 5:00 - 9:00 P.M.
TUES - SAT: 8:30 A.M. - 12:00 P.M., 1:00 P.M. - 5:30 P.M.
SUN: CLOSED

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