

## February Speaker Series

Join us every Saturday in the Lower Level of our library at 10:00 for the Friends of the Library's Annual Speaker Series:

02/07- Wendy Sherwood, Civic Air Patrol

02/14- Steve Ropski, Grizzly Bears

02/21- Kevin Hartley, Homesteading

02/28- Darell Myers, Local Firefighter



## Closing Hours

**Monday, Feb 16-** Closed  
President's Day



## Blind Date with a Book

Check out a book from our "Blind Date" Display (located on the Main Level). Each book is wrapped in paper so that it remains a mystery until checked out. Take it home, read it, and submit a review by February 28. Select reviews will be posted in the March Books 'n Banter. Each review counts as an entry to win a \$20 Walmart gift card and a "Libraries are Life" t-shirt size large.



**LIBRARY HOURS**  
**MONDAY—THURSDAY**  
**9:30 - 7:00**  
**CLOSED FRIDAY**  
**SATURDAY 9:00 - 4:00**

## 2025-2026 Annual Appeal

Looking for a way to give back to your community? All contributions to our Annual Appeal go directly towards our current needs. Thank you to all who have already given in this year's appeal! *Curious of our current donations? Check out our giving thermometer on the lobby window!*

## Valentine Quilling Class

### 2 Sessions Available!

Monday, February 9 @ 10:00am

Tuesday, February 10 @ 5:30pm

*Pre-Registration required Cost: \$5*

Learn the basics of quilling in this hands-on workshop. Each participant will make a valentine card with their new quilling skills

*Must register and pay by February 4*



## Disney Trivia

**March 10 @ 6:00**

Think you're an expert on all things Disney? Join us for this fun-filled Disney themed trivia!

Participants must be 16 years or older. Teams can range from 2-6 players. Each member on the winning team will receive a \$10 gift card.

*Pre-Register by March 7.*



# Programs for all ages that you won't want to miss!!

## Read and Create Wednesdays at 4:00

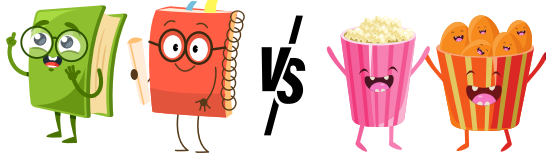
*Grades K-5*

Join us after school from 4-4:30 each Wednesday for an interactive program for kids in grades K-5! We'll enjoy a read-aloud followed by themed activities, games, or crafts based on the book.

The first meeting of each month features a "Book vs. Movie" showdown where we read a book, watch a short clip, and play a game to test your knowledge!

(No need to have watched the movie.)

This month's book vs movie will feature Winnie the Pooh!



## STEAM Club Mondays at 4:00



*Ages 6+*

Join us every first Monday of the month for STEAM Club. We will have activities available such as Beebots, Marble Runs, Legos, and more!

## Teen "Crafternoon"

Sat., Feb 7 @ 1:00

Thurs. Feb 19 @ 4:00

Join us for one or both of our two sessions to make your own cards with stamps!

## Take and Make Kits

DIY Greeting Cards



## Tea Library

*Last day available is February 28*

What's better than a cup of something cozy and a good book? Stop by the front desk and pick up one tea bag from the McCord Tea Library.



## Have a program idea?

Don't be afraid to recommend program ideas! Feel free to let us know a skill or activity you'd like us to offer at the library.

We always want to know what our community is interested in!

Welcome to the new books list! These books may be placed on hold.

## Adult Non-Fiction

- Atwood, Margaret: Book of lives: a memoir of sorts
- Blehm, Eric: The darkest white: a mountain legend and the avalanche that took him
- Furrer, Suzy: Building patterns: ultimate guide to designing clothing patterns
- Gandillon, Becky: The unofficial guide to Walt Disney World 2026
- Gilliland, Haley: A flower traveled in my blood: the incredible true story of the grandmothers who fought. . .
- Giuffre, Virginia Roberts: Nobody's girl: a memoir of surviving abuse and fighting for justice
- Guinness, Arthur Edward: Guinness: a family succession: the true story of the struggle to create the. . .
- Heughan, Sam: Waypoints: my Scottish journey
- Housel, Morgan: The art of spending money: simple choices for a richer life
- Lam, Brenda: How to start knitting: all the tips, tricks, and techniques new knitters need to know
- Ledecy, Katie: Just add water
- Morris, Susana M.: Positive obsession: the life and times of Octavia E. Butler
- Oliver, Mary: Winter hours: prose, prose poems, and poems
- Wright, Jennifer: Glitz, glam, and a damn good time: how Mamie Fish, queen of the Gilded Age. . .

## Adult Fiction

- Archer, Jeffrey: End game
- Bennett, Robert Jackson: A drop of corruption
- Desai, Kiran: The loneliness of Sonia and Sunny
- Evans, Richard Paul: The Christmas stranger
- Irving, John: Queen Esther
- King, Lily: Heart the lover
- Lee, Laura Piper: Zoe Brennan, first crush
- Lillie, Vanessa: The bone thief
- Lombardo, Claire: Same as it ever was
- Majumdar, Megha: A guardian and a thief
- McEwan, Ian: What we can know
- O'Neill, Heather Aimee: The Irish goodbye
- Peters, Amanda: Waiting for the long night moon
- Posey, Kate: Serial killer games
- Purvis, Xenobe: The hounding
- Ryan, Patrick: Buckeye
- Ryan, Tom: We Had a Hunch
- Solomon, Rachel Lynn: What happens in Amsterdam
- Smith, Sally: A case of life and limb: the trials of Gabriel Ward
- Swift, Serra: Kill the Beast

## Adult Fiction Large Print

- Bentley, Don: Denied access
- Carr, Jack: Cry havoc
- Castillo, Linda: Rage
- Hall, Rachel Howzell: Fog and fury
- Lynch, Claire: A family matter
- Stephens, Naomi: The scarlet ribbon
- Margolin, Phillip: False witness
- Todd, Charles: A Christmas witness

## Non-Print

### Books on CD

Colgan, Jenny: The secret Christmas library  
 Fisher, Suzanne Woods: A hidden hope  
 Thompson, Tess: The making of a matchmaker

### DVD

The gilded age. The complete third season.

## New-Adult Fiction

### Graphic Novels

- Rucka, Greg: Lazarus. volume one, family

# Children's

## Blue Dot- Picture Books

- Coulson, Art: All the stars in the sky
- Freedman, Claire: Where snowflakes fall
- Kurtz, Devin Elle: The bakery dragon and the fairy cake
- Rex, Adam: The 13th day of Christmas
- Sceiford, Betsy Beacham: Claire's dragon egg
- Sharpson, Neil: Don't trust fish
- Sima, Jessie: Snow kid
- Tavares, Matt: Dasher and the polar bear
- Timbers, Alex: Broadway bird

## Orange Dot - Earliest Chapter

- Reynolds, Aaron: Troubling tonsils!

## Red Dot- 3rd-5th grade

### Graphic Novel

- Guojing: Oasis

## Yellow Dot - 6th & 7th grade

- Glaser, Karina Yan: The Nine Moons of Han Yu and Luli



## 1000 Books Before Kindergarten

Ask for a bag and registration form at the main desk.

For each 100 books you read, receive a sticker and move your name along the tracker wall located downstairs by the elevator. Receive a free book when you reach 1,000 books!

After every 100 books parents or guardians can take a picture by the milestone posters.

## Children's Non-Print Media

### DVDs

- Elio

### Wonderbooks

BLU

- Hoying, Scott: Fa la la family
- Kilgore, Emily: The Christmas book flood

Green

- Dean, James: Pete the cat: scuba-cat

### NEW! Whazoodle

BLU

- Easy as ABC!
- Get creative!

Green

- Big ideas!
- All four seasons!

## To place a book on hold

Call (814)725-4057 to request the item  
OR

1. Go to mccordlibrary.org
2. Click catalog
3. Log in to the catalog
4. Username is your library card barcode #
5. Password is last four digits of your phone #
6. Search for the book
7. Click Place request
8. Choose your pickup library
9. Click submit request



## Young Adult

### Fiction

- Aristeo, Mariposa: Sons of day & night
- Emery, Kate: The dysfunctional family's guide to murder
- Lockhart, E: We fell apart
- McBride, Amber: The leaving room





## Dial-A-Story

New story every week!

### February Stories:

02/01- Be My Valentine

02/08- The Night Before Valentine's Day

02/15- One Cool Friend

02/22- So Much Snow

### What is Dial-A-Story?

Dial-a-Story is a library program that is available 24/7! Call 814-347-8318 to hear a story read to you. Stories are available in English and Spanish. English stories change weekly and the Spanish story changes monthly.

Call as many times as you want!



## January Sudoku Answers:

8	6	7	5	3	4	2	1	9
1	4	9	8	6	2	3	5	7
2	3	5	9	1	7	4	8	6
6	1	4	7	8	5	9	3	2
9	5	3	2	4	1	6	7	8
7	8	2	6	9	3	1	4	5
5	7	1	4	2	9	8	6	3
4	2	8	3	7	6	5	9	1
3	9	6	1	5	8	7	2	4

## Book Club in a Bag

Want to start a book club? Have a book club but can't find a book to read?

Then check out one of our Book Club in a Bag!

Each bag includes 10 copies of a title, perfect for book clubs.

**The waiting list for these kits is long, so reserve a book early.**

### Some available books include:

Addario, Lynsey: It's what I do: a photographer's life of love and war

Bryson, Bill: A Walk in the Woods

Davis, Fiona: The lions of Fifth Avenue

Hoang, Helen: The kiss quotient

Kingsolver, Barbara: The poisonwood Bible

Klune, TJ: The house in the cerulean sea

Osman, Richard: The Thursday murder club

Quế Mai, Nguyễn Phan : The Mountains Sing

Ward, Catriona: The last house on Needless Street



**More titles can be found on our website: [mccordlibrary.org](http://mccordlibrary.org)!**

# December/January Books purchased from donations

## Memorials:

### **Barbara Anderson**

#### **By**

Cindy Bryan, Kathy Hazelton, Karen Schuyler, Lynda Semelka

Lombardo, Claire: Same as it ever was

### **Shirley Hamilton**

#### **By:**

Paul & Barbara Zorzie

Fisher, Suzanne Woods: A hidden hope  
(audiobook)

### **John Scott Manison**

#### **By:**

Heather Hakel

Timbers, Alex: Broadway bird

### **Mini McCord**

#### **By**

Lori & Jerry Hordych

Hall, Rachel Howzell: Fog & fury

### **Irene M. McCullough**

#### **By**

Tony and Kelly Montefiori

Lam, Brenda: How to start knitting

### **Patricia Ann Mobilia**

#### **By**

Heather Hakel

Heughan, Sam: Waypoints: my scottish journal

### **Matt O'Leary**

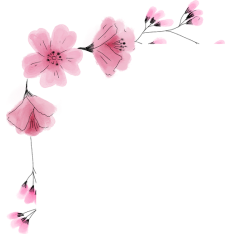
#### **By**

Tom & Karen Saginak

Blehm, Eric: The darkest white



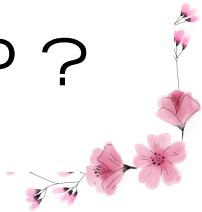
Memorials, Endowments, and Tributes honor family members and friends  
\*\*If your employer makes matching donations, be sure to note that on the form.\*\*  
Memorial brochures are available at the library or by calling:  
(814) 725-4057.



# Cryptoquip

Clue: B = C

U T X J X L M F T H Z C G L O G G W R  
P L Z C U D P A X B O G X B J Y U K G  
F Z E W U B O U Y , R J Z E H M F Z E  
B X H H U Y X A H Z Z K G L X D P ?



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# FEBRUARY 2026 EVENTS & ACTIVITIES

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	STEAM Club: 4:00-4:30	Preschool: 11:00-11:30	Preschool: 11:00-11:30 Read & Create: 4:00-4:30	Toddler: 11:00-11:30		Speaker Series: 10:00-11:00
1	2 4:00 STEAM Club Ages 6+	3 11:00 <u>Ten Grouchy Groundhogs</u>	4 11:00 <u>Pierre the Penguin</u> 4:00 <u>Book vs Movie Winnie the Pooh</u> FOL: 3:00	5 <b>CLOSED</b>	6	7 10:00 Wendy Sherwood Civic Air Patrol 1:00 Teen Crafternoon DIY Greeting Cards
8	9 10:00 Valentine Quilling Class 4:00 STEAM Club Ages 6+	10 11:00 <u>There Was an Old Lady Who Swallowed a Rose</u> 5:30 Valentine Quilling Class	11 11:00 <u>Click, Clack, Moo I Love You!</u> 4:00 <u>The Love Letter</u>	12 11:00 <u>Peekaboo I Love You</u>	13 <b>CLOSED</b>	14 10:00 Steve Ropski Grizzly Bears
15	16 <b>CLOSED</b> President's Day 	17 11:00 <u>Sock on the Loose</u>	18 11:00 <u>Trains, Boats and Planes</u> 4:00 <u>Akiak: A Tale from the Iditarod</u> BOD: 3:00	19 11:00 <u>Things That Go</u> 3:30 Teen "Crafternoon" DIY Greeting Cards	20 <b>CLOSED</b>	21 10:00 Kevin Hartley Homestead
22	23 4:00 STEAM Club Ages 6+	24 11:00 <u>Pete the Cat's Cool New Ride</u>	25 11:00 <u>VROOM!</u> 4:00 <u>Extra Yarn</u>	26 11:00 <u>Color Train, Color Train</u>	27 <b>CLOSED</b>	28 10:00 Darell Myers Local Firefighter

## Story time and Read & Create:

Includes a story & activity or craft.

Free to attend, no preregistration required.

**Adult must stay with child**

