

December Events

Adults

Free Tech Classes

All classes Mondays @ 6:30 (Meeting Room)



***Consumer Reports** (12/10) Learn how to access the library's free online subscription to this magazine that provides ratings of the best values in new products!

***Picasa/Google Photos** (12/17) Not sure what to do with all those pictures stored on your digital camera (or phone)? Discover how to transfer pictures from the camera to the computer, edit using Picasa (a free software program), save and share with others.

Afternoon Computer Class

***Senior Surf Day!** Wednesday (12/5) 1:00-2:00

Never worked a computer before? This is a basic class for Seniors only. We provide laptops to have a hands-on experience. Sign up early...class size is small and it's free!

Open to All

New Release Movies @ 2:00

"Arthur Christmas" Saturday (12/15) (PG)

"Snowball Express" Wednesday (12/26) (G)

"Madagascar 3" Saturday (12/29) (PG)



Genealogy Saturdays 12:00-4:00 (Historical Center)
The staff genealogist is available for questions at this time.

Knitty Giddy Tuesdays 6:30 (Meeting Room)

New and experienced adult knitters and crocheters are welcome to join this group.

Ham Radio Operators Wednesdays 6:45-8:45 (Meeting Room)

Open to adults interested in learning about ham radio operation.

Video Gaming Sundays (12/9 & 12/30) 2:00-4:00 (Training Room)

All ages are welcome to play Nintendo Wii and Xbox games. Come and join the fun!

Special Events

4th Annual Holiday Cookie Exchange Monday (12/10) 6:30-8:00 (Training Room)

Exchange cookies and candies: 3 dozen of yours for 3 dozen of other varieties (in disposable pan). Great way to see the variety that arrives and choose your favorites.

Ring Out the Year Celebration! Thursday (12/27) 3:00-4:00 (Training Room)

Party On! Board Games, Craft Bar—choose your own craft.

School is out for the winter break. Open to all ages.

In case of bad weather:

*Cancellations will be noted on the library web site
(www.westfargolibrary.org) and on WDAY.*

***Registration is appreciated for all events; however registration is required for events marked with an *. Sign-up at the Service Desk or call 433-5460.**

All events are free, unless noted; see www.westfargolibrary.org for more details!

December Events

Children

Movies

Friday Morning Movies @ 10:30 (Meeting Room)

The Little Mermaid II (12/7) (G) 107 min

Tigger & Pooh's Super Sleuth Christmas (12/14) (GNR) 44 min

Barbie in a Christmas Carol (12/21) (E) 76 min

Toy Story 3 (12/28) (G) 107 min

Storytimes

Connect your children to books & crafts geared for Preschoolers -Kindergarten

Tuesdays 1:30 (Children's Corner)

Brrrrrrr (12/4) • *The Red Mitten* (12/11) • *Santa and the Three Bears* (12/18)

Closed (12/25)

Simply Stories on Tuesdays 10:15 (Children's Corner)

Thursdays 6:30 (Children's Corner)

Snow (12/6) • *The Missing Mitten* (12/13) • *The A Creature was Stirring* (12/20)

Are you Sleeping? (12/27)

*The Missing Mitten Mystery

Thursday (12/13) 6:30-7:30 (Children's Corner)

Hear a story about mittens, enjoy a scavenger hunt throughout the library.

Door prizes and refreshments.

Santa Visits the Library

Saturday (12/1) 2:00-4:00 (Children's Corner)

Welcome Santa, visit with him and create an ornament.

Bring your camera and enjoy some holiday fun.

*Hanukkah Fun Festival

Saturday (12/8) 2:30-4:00 (Training Room)

Decorate a dreidel, assemble a Happy Hanukkah bear, hear a story and music and enjoy a snack.

*Nutrition in Action

Thursday (12/20) @ 10:15 (Homework Center)

Fun nutrition session will be offered for preschoolers and their caretakers, with music, stories and a light food snack. Theme: Shake, mix, pound and roll their way into giggles.

Stress the importance of sharing meals together.

Music and Movement: Nutrition in Action! © 2009 Jenny Steinhilber M.S.

Homework Center

Monday through Thursday (3:00-5:30) (Homework Center)

Center is closed during school breaks.

**Library will be closed: December 24 & 25,
December 31 at 6:00 & January 1**



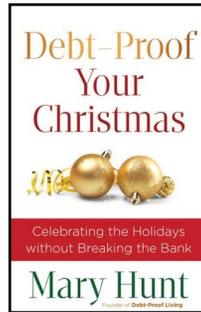
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Reader's Corner

Debt-Proof Your Christmas: Celebrating the Holidays without Breaking the Bank

By Mary Hunt

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Are you determined to get control of your holiday spending this year? Author Mary Hunt has a few suggestions: start with a plan (hint: a gift list is not a plan), use cash (not credit), and instead of buying a gift, make something. Bargains websites (such Amazon.com, Overstock.com, and Woot.com), gift cards (the author explains that gift cards are not just like cash), recipes, gifts in a jar, family traditions, and gift ideas for the hard-to-shop-for person on your list are also included. Readers will find lots of helpful advice for getting into the holiday spirit without breaking the budget!



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Friday 10am—6pm
Saturday 10am—5pm
Sunday 1pm—5pm

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Read magazines online through the Library's new subscription to Zinio! Choose from magazines such as *Car and Driver*, *Cosmopolitan*, *Martha Stewart Living*, *Men's Health*, and *Yoga Journal*. It will also provide access to *Newsweek*, which will only be available in digital format beginning in January, 2013. Once registered with Zinio, library card holders can select an unlimited number of magazines. You'll receive an email when the newest issue is available online! Zinio is compatible with PCs, Macs, iPads, and select Android devices.

Books, iPads, & Cable TV!

The Library has been fortunate this holiday season with the donation of books, an iPad grant, and cable television. The Three Rivers Garden Club, a local club which meets monthly in West Fargo, has donated the proceeds from their annual Plant Auction to the Library to purchase new gardening books for our collection.

The North Dakota State Library has awarded the Library \$5,000 to purchase iPads, keyboard cases, and a video camera for staff training and technology classes. This grant is made possible through the State Library's Library "Vision 2014 – Technology to Provide Access to Information" grant.

Midcontinent has agreed to supply the Library with cable television! Through Midcontinent's agreement with the City of West Fargo, the Library will be able to have access to Midcontinent's basic cable channels which will allow the Library to show special events in the library.

Thank you to Three Rivers Garden Club, North Dakota State Library, and Midcontinent!

Donate to the Mitten Tree in the Library through December 31

The Library's 4th Annual Mitten Tree will be up through December 31st. Donated mittens, scarves, and hats will be hung on the Mitten Tree and donated to West Fargo schoolchildren in need. Please consider donating winter items so local children will stay warm this winter!



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Happy Holidays!