

The Library BUZZ...

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Be a Star Reader!

Winter Reading Program January 3—31

Be a star reader during the library's Winter Reading Program for children. It's easy. Just stop by the library anytime between January 3 and January 24 to pick up a reading log. Kids in Pre-K through Grade 2 who read eight books by January 31 and kids in Grade 3 and up who read four books during the month will get the following: Their photo on our "Star Board", an invitation to the Gala Star Party on Saturday, February 7, and a chance for one of our grand prizes. Sucker pulls and surprise books will also top off the fun. See staff for details.

Library Hours

Mon—Thurs
9 a.m. to 9 p.m.
Fri and Sat
9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Sunday
1 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Locations

121 E. 8th Street
Lockport

1298 Theodore St.
Crest Hill

Royal Tea Parties

Bring your little ones to one of our Royal Tea Parties while the older kids are at school.

Tuesday, January 13 in Lockport at 1:00 p.m.

Tuesday, January 20 in Crest Hill at 1:00 p.m.

Please register, and encourage your child to bring along one doll or a favorite stuffed animal to join in the fun!

Parent-Child Pre-SuperBowl Parties

Let's get ready for football! Play games, watch football videos, hear football stories and have snacks. And, there will be a keg -- of root beer!

6:00 to 7:15 p.m.

Tuesday, January 20, in Lockport

Thursday, January 29 in Crest Hill

Recommended for children ages 5 and up. Please register!

NEW! TumbleBooks

Visit our website, either at home or at the library and click on

- TumbleBooks or
- TumbleReadables.

TumbleBooks is an online collection of stories for preschoolers and beginning readers. Listen to stories and read along with highlighted text in English, Spanish or French. Interactive games, puzzles, and quizzes cap off this exciting literacy experience. TumbleReadables is an online collection of read-along titles for elementary, middle school, and high school students that features adjustable online text and complete audio narration. Included are classics and Shakespeare's plays.

Lego Group — Starting in January, a Lego building group will meet monthly at both branches.

Lockport: Tuesday, January 6 from 4:00 to 5:00 p.m.

Crest Hill: Tuesday, January 27, from 4:15 to 5:15 p.m.

Recommended for ages 7 and up. Please register.

Wii Sports for Kids — Also starting in January, kids ages 7 and up are invited to play Nintendo Wii at both branches.

Lockport: Wednesday, January 14 from 4:00 to 5:00 p.m.

Crest Hill: Wednesday, January 21 from 4:00 to 5:00 p.m.

Tween Crafts for 9 to 12-year-olds — A different craft each month geared for kids in upper elementary and middle school. In January, we will make paper airplanes.

Crest Hill: Thursday, January 15 from 4:00 to 5:00 p.m.

Lockport: Tuesday, January 20, from 4:15 to 5:15 p.m.

Readers Theater at Lockport and Crest Hill

If you are at least 8-years-old and have a flair for the dramatic, join our Readers Theater groups. In Crest Hill, it meets on Mondays after school from 4 to 5:00 p.m. The next session in Crest Hill meets January 5, 12, 19, and 26. In Lockport, Readers Theater will meet on Thursdays, January 8, 15, 22, and 29 from 4:00 to 5:00 p.m. Sign up now at the Children's Services desks or call.

Coming in February...

Valentine's Day Craft for Kids, ages 5 and up.

Lockport: Wednesday, February 4 from 4:00 to 5:00 p.m.

Crest Hill: Thursday, February 5 from 4:00 to 5:00 p.m.

Alice in Wonderland Happy UnBirthday Party on Monday, February 16 (President's Day) at 1:00 p.m. in Lockport and Crest Hill.

Legos on February 3 in Lockport; on February 24 in Crest Hill @ 4:00 p.m.

Wii Sports for Kids on February 11 in Lockport; Feb. 18 in Crest Hill @ 4:00 p.m.

WINTER Story Times

Toddler Times - Terrific 2s

Registration starts January 12 for Winter Story Time, Toddler Time, and Terrific Two sessions. These programs meet weekly for six weeks beginning the week of February 2, 2009. There is no charge for the Toddler Time and Terrific Two programs. A one-time \$5.00 craft fee (\$10.00 for non-residents) is charged for each six-week session of Story Times. This year, parents may opt to also pay for the Spring Story Time session (March 30 to May 8) at the same time. An additional fee of \$5.00/\$10.00 nonresidents will apply. The program schedule for both Winter and Spring sessions is as follows:

Lockport Branch

- **Story Times** for 3-to 6-year-olds: Mon. @ 6:30 p.m.; Tues. @ 10:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m.; Wed. @ 10:00 a.m.
- **Terrific Twos** (24-36 months): Mon. @ 10:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.
- **Toddler Time** (A lap-sit for children 3 mos.—36 mos. accompanied by a parent/caregiver): Thurs. @ 9:45 a.m., 10:45 a.m., and 6:00 p.m.; Fri. @ 9:45 a.m. and 10:45 a.m.

Crest Hill Branch

- **Story Time** for 3- to 6-year-olds: Mondays @ 6:00 p.m. (6:30 p.m. starting April 6); Tuesdays @ 10:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m.
- **Toddler Time** (A lap-sit for children 3 mos.—36 mos. accompanied by a parent/caregiver): Tues. @ 9:15 a.m. and Wed. @ 10:00 a.m.

Drop-In Saturday Story Time at

Crest Hill On the last Saturday of every month, come to the Crest Hill Branch for a story-time and craft at 10:30 a.m. No registration. For ages 3 and up. Jan. 31; Feb. 28; March 28 from 10:30 - 11:15 a.m.