Eureka Public Library District
December 2018

Merry Christmas & Happy New Year

We’ve got you covered for the busy holiday season!

♦ Holiday fiction to get you into the Christmas spirit
♦ Your favorite hymns and carols on CD to sing along with
♦ Cookbooks galore for your family meals
♦ Games and puzzles for family time
♦ Discovery Kits to keep children distracted
♦ Peoria Riverfront Museum passes to get the family out of the house
♦ Books on CD for long car rides to visit family
♦ Movies for quiet nights at home (after the holidays!)

Reminder: the library will be closed on December 24, 25, 26, 31 and January 1. Be sure to stock up ahead of time!

Heartline & Davenport Elementary Mitten Tree

Now through January 5 the Eureka Public Library will be accepting donations of new adult and youth mittens, scarves, and hats; and youth socks and sweat pants for a special winter donation tree. All donated items will be delivered to Heartline and Davenport Elementary School in January.

Eureka Public Library District • 202 S. Main St.
309-467-2922 • www.eurekaapl.org • Facebook
Hours: Mon, Tue, Thu: 8:30 am—8 pm,
Wed, Fri: 8:30 am—6 pm &
Sat: 9 am—1 pm
Check Out These Upcoming Programs!

- **Eureka Police Department**—Saturday, December 1, 10 am
- **Quarter Auction**—Monday, December 3 at Eureka Christian Church, 6 pm
- **Nuns, Nazis & Notre Dame: The Story of Gerald O’Reilly**—Thursday, December 6, 1:30 pm
- **Ronald Reagan’s Time at Eureka College**—Thursday, November 13, 6:30 pm
- **The Brick Wall & Genealogy Research**—Saturday, December 15, 10 am
- **Reagan Film: The Winning Team (1952)**—Monday, December 17, 1:15 and 6:15 pm
- **Senior Stretch**—Fridays, January 11, 18, and 25, 9—9:30 am
- **Craft Saturday: Organizing your 2019 Planner**—Saturday, January 12, 10 am

See pages 6—7 for a complete listing of December programs.

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**Ronald Reagan’s Time at Eureka College**

Cassandra Chapman, Museum Curator and Reagan Archivist at Eureka College, will be at the library on Thursday, December 13 at 6:30 pm to share the story of Ronald Reagan as a college student. The year is 1928 and Ronald Reagan has set foot on the campus of Eureka College for the first time. Reagan knew as he dropped off his high school sweetheart, Margret Cleaver, he had to stay. Join the Eureka Public Library and Cassandra as we tell the tale of Ronald Reagan’s four years at Eureka College. This is a free program.

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**Winter Shake Up: Better Choices, Better You**

Make a commitment to improve your health! The library is hosting a Winter Shake Up initiative to help residents set goals, lose some weight, get moving, and create healthy habits! Details and registration available at the adult circulation desk beginning December 17. Program begins January 7.

- Weight Loss Club
- Eight-Week Healthy Habit Challenge
- Senior Stretch
### Fiction
- F. Archer – Heads You Win
- F. Baldacci – Long Road to Mercy
- F. Berg – Night of Miracles
- F. Blackburn – In Too Deep
- F. Bradford – Master of His Fate
- F. Braithwaite – My Sister, the Serial Killer
- F. Clipston – A Seat by the Hearth
- F. Connolly – Dark Sacred Night
- F. Cussler – Sea of Greed
- F. Evanovich – Look Alive Twenty-five
- F. Evans – The Noel Stranger
- F. Fisher – The Light before Day
- F. Frankel – This is How It Always Is
- F. Gould – Amish Weddings
- F. Gray – His Promise
- F. Hunt – Jerusalem’s Queen
- F. Hunter – On Magnolia Lane
- F. Irving – A Prayer for Owen Meany
- F. Jenkins – Dead Sea Rising
- F. Johansen – Vendetta
- F. Kelk – One in a Million
- F. King – Elevation
- F. Martin – Fire & Blood
- F. Moriarty – Nine Perfect Strangers
- F. Novey – Those Who Knew
- F. Palmer – Wyoming Legend
- F. Patterson – Target Alex Cross
- F. deRosnay – The Rain Watcher
- F. Shapiro – The Collector's Apprentice
- F. Smelling – A Season of Grace
- F. Sparks – Every Breath
- F. Steel – Beauchamp Hall
- F. Suri – Empire of Sand
- F. Trigiani – Tony’s Wife
- F. Warren – Wait for Me
- F. Woodsmall – The Christmas Remedy

### Nonfiction
- 070.5 BRE – Writer's Market 2019
- 155.9 ROE – Surviving the Holidays Without You
- 248.866 ROE – Shattered: Surviving the Loss of a Child
- 581.6 TOR – Plants That Can Kill
- 582.13 GRA – Flowering Plants
- 616.85 KIN – Conquering Your Stress and Fears
- 640 DEM – Organizing Your Home with Sort & Succeed
- 640.73 CON – Consumer Reports Buying Guide 2019
- 641.5 AME – Cook it in Your Dutch Oven
- 641.5 ELL – The Gluten-free Cookbook for Families
- 641.5 SCU – Pressure Cooker Magic
- 641.5 SLA – Sweet & Savory Fat Bombs
- 641.5638 JOH – Six Ingredients or Less
- 641.81 AME – Cook’s Illustrated All Time Best Soups
- 646.4 SEW – Sew Pretty T-Shirt Dresses
- 648.8 REA – The Real Simple Method to Organizing Every Room
- 664 RED – The Noma Guide to Fermentation
- 745.594 MYE – Scandi Christmas
- 929 MCC – Finding Your Famous (& Infamous) Ancestors
- 940.53 ORE – Killing the SS

### Movies
- DVD 3840 T – The Titanic: the epic miniseries
- DVD 3842 J – Here is...the Johnny Carson Show
- DVD 3843 S – Stranger Things: Season 1
- DVD 3852 S – Skyscraper
- DVD 3854–3855 C – ChiPS: Seasons 1 & 2
- DVD 3856 0 – Old Yeller (Original Old Yeller & Savage Sam)
- DVD 3858 A – Ant-Man and the Wasp
- DVD 3859–3860 W – When Calls the Heart: Seasons 4 & 5
- DVD 3862 L – The Librarian movie trilogy
- DVD 3863 S & B-R 481 S – The Spy Who Dumped Me
- DVD 3864 C – The Christmas Train
- DVD 3865 E – Early Man
- DVD 3866 D – Different Drummers
- DVD 3867 P – Foldark: Season 4
- DVD 3868–3872 B – Burn Notice: Seasons 1—5
- DVD 3873 C – The Crown: Season 2
- DVD 3874 S – Secondhand Lions
- DVD 3875 A – Alpha
- B-R 479 S – Star Wars: Solo

### Children’s Movies
- DVD 3841 M CH – Meteor & Mighty Monster Trucks: Shifting Gears
- DVD 3849 P CH – Phineas and Ferb: Star Wars
- DVD 3850 P CH – Princess Stories volume 2: Tales of Friendship
- DVD 3861 L CH – Lego DC Comics Super Heroes: the Flash
**NEWS FROM THE CHILDREN’S LIBRARY!**

Registration for February/March Preschool Story Times Begins January 8

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**Dance With Me!**

Rhythm!  Music!  Movement!  Fun!

Tuesdays January 8, 15, 22, 29
9:30 AM

Toddlers and Preschoolers with an Adult

Space is Limited Sign Up Today!

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**Baby Bookworms Story Time Registration**

We will be offering a story time program series geared toward babies beginning January 2. The program is open to babies up to 18 months old. Babies and their caregivers will enjoy stories, songs, and more. Baby Bookworms will be available on the first and third Wednesdays and Thursdays at 9 a.m. through May. Sign up for either Wednesday or Thursday morning sessions. Space is limited; call the library or stop at the children’s circulation desk to register.

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Read for the Record 2018 by the Numbers

- 49 states
- 60 countries
- 1000+ US School Districts
- 147,918 books distributed to children across the country
- 1.7 million readers!

Eureka Readers Participate in Read for the Record

Eureka preschoolers participated in “Read for the Record” during a Story Time week in October. They were part of 1.7 million readers and listeners world-wide who heard readings of *Maybe Something Beautiful* by F. Isabel Campoy.
Sweet CHILDREN'S BOOKS

Just a few of the new books in the children's library!

**Picture Books:**
- A Christmas for Bear, Bonnie Becker
- Christmas Parade, Sandra Boynton
- The Legend of Papa Noel: A Cajun Christmas Story, Terri Hoover Dunham
- 20 Big Trucks in the Middle of the Street, Mark Lee
- Construction Site on Christmas Night, Sherri Duskey Rinker
- The 12 Sleighs of Christmas, Sherri Duskey Rinker
- Bear Can't Sleep, Karma Wilson

**Easy Readers:**
- Hoot, Owl!, Shelby Alinsky
- Sleep, Bear!, Shelby Alinsky
- Go, Otto, Go!, David Milgrim (Adventures of Otto)

**Fiction:**
- Freedom at the Falls, Marianne Hering
  (Imagination Station)
- The Meltdown, Jeff Kinney (Diary of a Wimpy Kid)
- Wrath of the Dragon King, Brandon Mull
  (Dragonwatch)

**Chapter Books**
- Railroad!: A Story of the Transcontinental Railroad, Darice Bailer
- Captain Awesome to the Rescue!, Stan Kirby
- Cheetahs, Laura Marsh

**Nonfiction**
- Night Sky, Giles Sparrow (Scholastic Discover More)
- Lifesize Ocean, Anita Ganeri
- Baby Penguins First Waddles, Ben Richmond
- The Truth About Bears, Maxwell Eaton III
- The Bones You Own, Rebecca Baines

Reminder! We have a free Peoria Riverfront Museum family admission pass that library card holders (with no fines) can checkout for a one-time visit to the museum. The pass is good only for the day of checkout or the very next day. The library only has one admission pass - so call the library ahead and make sure it is available. First come, first served. Pass is good for 2 adults and their children or grandchildren (under age 18) and covers general admission, permanent galleries, and daytime planetarium shows. Pass does not cover any costs associated with special exhibits. You must present a photo i.d., your Eureka library card, and signed pass at the museum. Through January 20, there is a Golden Age of Disney exhibit! Check out the museum website (www.peoriariverfrontmuseum.org) for more information and stop by the library to checkout a pass! This pass is possible thanks to sponsorship from the Peoria Riverfront Museum's Visionary Society.
December Adult Programs

Saturday, December 1, 10 am, Welcome Home! Community Services Series: Eureka Police Department. Assistant Chief of Police Kim Jones of the Eureka Police Department will be at the library to present an overview of city police services and answer your questions about security in our community. Special highlights include theft prevention tips, Crime Prevention Notices, and ordinance violations. Free donuts and coffee will be provided. Register by November 30. This program is part of a special Welcome Home! Community Services Series initiative the library promoted this fall to give area residents a chance to learn more about community services.

Monday, December 3, 6 pm, at Eureka Christian Church, 302 S. Main, Quarter Auction. Join us for a fun night of bidding! A quarter auction will be held to support the Friends of the Eureka Public Library District. Doors open at 5 pm and bidding will begin at 6 pm. There will be a wide variety of items to bid on as well as door prizes. Admission fee is $3, which includes a seat at a table and one paddle for bidding. Additional paddles are $2 each. Participants may want to bring $10—$40 in quarters to bid on items. Food will also be available for purchase. All proceeds will be donated to the Friends of the Eureka Public Library District. If you would like to donate an auction item, contact Susan Bressner at 309-360-4555.

Tuesdays, December 4 and 18, 5:30—8 pm, Sit and Stitch. Join fellow knitters, crocheters, needleworkers, and crafters for this informal gathering. We enjoy each other's company as we work on our own projects and help each other with pattern ideas and projects gone awry! The group will gather starting at 5:30 pm at the library on the first, third, and fifth Tuesdays each month. Stop by anytime between 5:30 and 8 pm.

Tuesdays, December 4, 11, and 18, 5—7 pm, Homework Help. Brian Boggs of Eureka is offering free tutoring and homework help for high school and middle school students in the subjects of math, science, history, and English. Students can attend 30 minute one-on-one help sessions each Tuesday evening when school is in session. Walk-ins are welcome, but priority will be given to students who make appointments. Parents and families are welcome to sit in on the sessions. Contact the library to register for an appointment. For more information, contact Brian Boggs at homeworkhelp@mediacombb.net.

Thursday, December 6, 1:30 pm, Nuns, Nazis, and Notre Dame: Stories of the Great Depression, World War II, and the Fighting Irish. Peoria author Tim Pletkovich will be sharing his book about U.S. Army veteran Gerald A. O'Reilly. In a “Jeopardy” style presentation, participants will learn about O'Reilly's adventures in Brooklyn, Notre Dame, and as an elite Tenth Mountain Division soldier. A brother-in-law of former United States Senator James L. Buckley and the late William F. Buckley, Jr., O'Reilly's story also provides glimpses into the lives of one of the twentieth century's most revered political families. Books will be available for sale ($20) and signing following the event. To register, contact the library by December 5.

Saturday, December 8, 9 am—12 pm, Make & Take Stuffed Animal Workshop. Registration is closed for this event.

Monday, December 10, 10 am, 3 M Mystery Book Club. Join the 3 M Mystery Book Club to help solve crimes of mystery, mayhem, and murder! The club meets the second Monday of each month to discuss their favorite authors, what they are currently reading, and different themes and authors within the mystery and suspense genres. For the December meeting, participants will be discussing mysteries and thrillers that they’ve enjoyed lately.

Monday, December 10, 3:30—5 pm, Middle School Paper Crafters. Does your middle school-aged child enjoy making cards, scrapbooking, or craft projects? Instructors Danielle Husted and Debi Smith teach participants different decoration techniques using a variety of fun paper designs. In December the group will be creating Christmas cards for patients at Advocate Eureka Hospital. This is a free program, but registration is limited to 10 participants. Register by December 8.
Monday, December 10, 6:30 pm, Make & Take Cards Night. Join instructor Debi Smith for a fun night of paper crafting at the library. You will make two to three different types of cards and take your creations home at the end of the evening. Class fee is $2. Register by calling the library by December 8.

Tuesday, December 11, 5:30—8 pm, Wool Ewe Join Us Rug Hookers. Do you enjoy rug hooking or other fiber arts? Join the Wool Ewe Join Us Rug Hookers group at the library for some quality craft time the second Tuesday of each month. Open to the public, you can drop in anytime and work on your own project in the company of fellow fiber enthusiasts. For more information, call Linda deFreese at 309-830-2626.

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Saturday, December 15, 10 am, The Brick Wall and Genealogy Research. Do you have a genealogy problem or “brick wall” that seems nearly impossible to solve? Join Karen Heinrich, MA, MLIS, a professional genealogist with over 19 years’ experience, to learn new tips, strategies, resources, and skills that may help you break through those genealogical “brick walls.” Even if you are not sure what to ask, come listen and learn from the issues others have encountered. This is a free program. Register at the library by December 13.

Monday, December 17, 1:15 & 6:15 pm, Ronald Reagan Film Fest: The Winning Team. Concluding our celebration of Reagan’s 90th anniversary of enrolling at Eureka College, the December film is The Winning Team (1952). Based on a true story, major league pitcher Grover Cleveland Alexander (Reagan) is forced out of baseball due to poor health and alcoholism, but through his wife Aimee’s (Doris Day) faithful efforts, he gets a chance for a comeback and then redemption in the seventh game of the 1926 World Series between the St. Louis Cardinals and the New York Yankees. Free popcorn and water. Register at the library by December 15.

Thursday, December 20, 10 am, Book Chat. Love to read? Stop by the library to share your love for reading with like-minded others. Library staff will share what’s new on the shelves and what’s being published the next month. Participants will share what they’ve been reading recently and help advise the library on new selections based on a review of the latest LibraryReads list. Join this informal, fun group of book lovers and help select new releases.

Thursday, December 20, 6:30 pm, Writer’s Circle. Have you thought about becoming an author, would like to write down your family’s stories, or simply love to express yourself through writing? Join this informal writer’s group to share your ideas and writings. Members offer positive support, feedback when requested, and incentive to keep writing. This group meets on the third Thursday evening each month.