

Branch District Library

“WE THE PEOPLE”

The Branch District Library’s Coldwater branch would like to invite the community to join us as we celebrate “We the People.” This special event will begin with a kick-off photo on October 18th at 10:00 a.m. Let me tell you a little more about this year long event. There will be books about America displayed throughout the library which we would like to encourage children and adults to read. There will be a “Family Night” every Tuesday from 6:00-7:00 p.m. with a variety of activities pertaining to America. Children or adults can also read a story about a famous American, dress up as that person and share the facts with others who come to the library. Some events that will take place during the year will be games to help children learn about the presidents and discovering special events that took place throughout our history. Graphs will be hung to see

how many children can recite “The Pledge of Allegiance” and/or sing the “National Anthem” with a friend or group.

The Mayor of Coldwater, Gene Wallace, and our State Representative Bruce Caswell will be joining us to read to the children at Monday’s Story Hours in October. The Coldwater Fire Department is planning to come one evening to read to the children and talk about safety issues.



We the People of the
United States of America

STORY HOURS AT THE LIBRARY

The Branch District Library offers Story Hours to children ages 2-5 on Mondays at 10:15 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. and on Tuesdays at 10:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. The story hours are held on the 3rd floor of the Coldwater branch. Children listen to interactive stories, sing songs, do finger plays, and finish with a

craft. They last approximately an hour.

On Wednesdays at 10:30 a.m. there is a Lap Time story time for children ages 6 months to 2 years.

This is a wonderful opportunity for children to interact with others their age.

New Holiday Books

Clifford's First Halloween (JE)

By Norman Bridwell

Children enjoy hearing about Clifford the big red dog. Emily Elizabeth remembers when Clifford was just a little puppy and she would dress him in a costume to go trick-or-treating. But now it's hard to disguise a dog who is as big as a house. Clifford doesn't mind though he still has fun and gets into mischief of one kind or another.

Thanksgiving: A Harvest Celebration

By Julie Stiegemeyer

One hundred two travelers landed in North America in 1620. They suffered some great hardships when they first arrived. Thanks to Samoset and Squanto the Pilgrims learned how to plant corn, squash and other vegetables. They were also taught to gather berries, catch fish and hunt. After their first harvest the Pilgrims and their neighbors had a great feast. This feast was called the First Thanksgiving.

Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer (JE)

the original story

By Robert L. May

All children love to hear the story of Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer. The bashful, small and ugliest reindeer of all becomes a hero all in one night. The vibrant and richly detailed illustrations capture the wonder and enchantment of the familiar story dear to so many hearts. Make this story a tradition in your home.

A B C's of Halloween (JE)

By Patricia Reeder Eubank

Besides recognizing the letters of the alphabet this book will encourage children to ask questions. As they ask questions they will expand their vocabulary and learn the definitions of such words as meander, mysterious and frizzle. It's sure to cause some family fun. The illustrations capture the Halloween spirit while making it cute and enjoyable for a variety of ages.

The Pilgrim's First Thanksgiving (JE)

By Ann McGovern

Children will read how the Pilgrims were on the Mayflower for 2 months and wore the same clothes every day. The Pilgrims had to eat dry biscuits, salted meat and cheese. They will also read about the struggles the Pilgrims endured their first year in America. At Plymouth Colony there were many events that took place which lead to the historic occasion we celebrate today. The first celebration lasted for three days.

Magic Tree House Research Guide

Pilgrims (JE)

by

Mary Pope Osborne & Natalie Pope Boyce
This research guide is a nonfiction companion to the book Thanksgiving on Thursday. There are many interesting facts about the Native Americans and Pilgrims who lived in America many years ago. The authors have made this an enjoyable book to read.

I Love Yoga (JE)
A Guide For Kids And Teens
by Ellen Schwartz

Yoga has been around for thousands of years. It helps people who use it feel better about themselves. Whether this is something you've tried before or are interested in trying for the first time, this is a great resource book. It gives tips on how to find a class that is just right for you. And to curb your curiosity they give step-by-step instructions on 16 basic yoga poses for you to try. This book is filled with information about yoga that is both fascinating and fun.

Some new educational DVD's we would like to share with you are:

All About Dinosaurs (DVD)
from the Science Library

This DVD gives children a close up look at a colorful parade of animal species. They will learn the characteristics of different animal species, what animals need to survive, how animals adapt to their environment and much more. The program comes with hands-on experiments or offers a follow-up demonstration for key concepts.

My Little Sister Ate One Hare (JE)
By Bill Grossman

Children are sure to enjoy this book. A child eats such things as snakes, frogs, and even ants, along with their underpants. She even eats shrews who have smelly socks and shoes. Can you imagine? It's not hard to imagine when you look at the pictures. This is a story adults will have fun with when sharing it with their child.

The 20th Century
Children's Book Treasury (JE)

Children are sure to recognize and enjoy these cherished stories. If they don't remember hearing them before maybe you will. Then of course you will want to pass them on to your children. There are 44 stories in all with the same illustrations we were use to seeing in the original ones. Stories such as, Curious George, The Snowy Day, The Story of Babar and more. What a wonderful opportunity to share the gift of reading with your children.



Harry the Dirty

When Dinosaurs Roamed America's
National Parks (DVD)

This DVD is designated for children from Kindergarten through 8th grade. Children will be taken on a guided tour as they view the North American dinosaurs that existed 220-65 million years ago.

These DVD's are sure to promote discussion. To build on your child's curiosity there are books on dinosaurs at the library.

Who Took the Cookies From the Cookie Jar? (JE) By Bonnie Lass & Philemon Sturges

A beautifully illustrated book that keeps children guessing about what happened to the jar full of cookies. It will generate questions from the reader and listener.



Who Took the Cookies From the Cookie Jar? Was it you?

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Up-Coming Events at Your Local Library

Join us at the Branch District Library's Coldwater branch as we pay tribute to some special Americans in our community.

On Monday, October 23rd at 10:15 a.m. **Representative Bruce Caswell** will be reading the story, "Watch the Stars Come Out" during Story Hour.

On Monday, October 30th at 10:15 a.m. during Story Hour, Coldwater's **Mayor, Gene Wallace** will be reading a story titled, "The Lotus Seed." This day is also Mayor Wallace's birthday so please come and help us celebrate. Did I mention there will be punch and cookies?

On Tuesday, November 7th at 6:30 p.m. the **Coldwater Fire Department** will be at the library to read to the children and talk about fire safety. They are also bringing the fire truck for the children to see.



Mark these dates on your calendar. You won't want to miss all the fun taking place at the Branch District Library this fall season.

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