Norfolk Public Library

# LIBRARY NEWS

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## What's New?

### Display Cases

We are seeking individuals, organizations and other community groups to showcase their collections in our display cases near the front entrance. To reserve community space for a month, contact Amy at 402-844-2100. We look forward to seeing your collections and creations!

### Financial Ratings

Does your piggy bank need some extra stuffing? Get the independent, unbiased financial analysis you need from Weiss Ratings. Click on "Financial Ratings" from our digital library to log in with your library card number.

### DVDs

The library has added the following DVDs to our collection: *The Devil Has a Name*, *Summerland*, *Unhinged*, *I Met a Girl*, *Death of Me*, *2067*, *Words on Bathroom Walls*, *The Broken Hearts Gallery*, and *Tremors: Shrieker Island*.

### Book Display

Wondering what to read next? January's book display features library staff picks. Ring in the new year with book recommendations from the employees of Norfolk Public Library.

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***If you would like to receive this newsletter by email each month, visit our website and sign up under "Helpful Links."***

## LIBRARY HOURS:

**9:00 a.m.– 8:00 p.m. Monday – Thursday**
**9:00 a.m.– 5:00 p.m. Friday and Saturday**
**1:30 p.m.– 4:30 p.m. Sunday**

**Phone: 402-844-2100**
**www.norfolkne.gov/library**

# Check It Out!

## *Art & Photography Books*

*A Year of Stone Painting* by F. Sehnaz Bac

*Making Comics* by Lynda Barry

*The Enthusiast's Guide to Photoshop* by Rafael Concepcion

*Wildlife Photographer of the Year* by Rosamund Kidman Cox

*Why Art?* by Eleanor Davis

*Comics and Sequential Art* by Will Eisner

*Spectrum 25* by John Fleskes

*Our Planet* by Alastair Fothergill

*Pop Art* by Flavia Frigeri

*The Photographer's iPad* by Frank Gallaugher

*Collins Complete Photography Projects* by John Garrett

*You Are an Artist* by Sarah Urist Green

*The Enthusiast's Guide to DIY Photography* by Mike Hagen

*Hidden Prairie* by Chris Helzer

*Draw Great Characters and Creatures* by Beverly Johnson

*The Last Leonardo* by Ben Lewis

*Movements in Art Since 1945* by Edward Lucie-Smith

*How to Draw Almost Every Animal* by Chika Miyata

*The Year of the Dogs* by Vincent J. Musi

*The Complete Guide to Drawing for Beginners* by Yoshiko Ogura

*Photo Basics* by Joel Sartore

*Portraits of the Sandhills* by Richard Schilling

*Humans* by Brandon Stanton

*The Apple Photos Book for Photographers* by Derrick Story

*Drawing Animals* by Lucy Swinburne

*Graffiti Alphabets* by Claudia Walde

*The Complete Pattern Directory* by Elizabeth Wilhide

# Upcoming Programs

## Winter Reading Challenge

Read away the winter doldrums with the Norfolk Public Library!

### How It Works

Stop by the library between January 4 and February 1 to register and receive your Challenge Log, or sign up online and print your own form. Keep track of the titles you read in each of the categories listed on the sheet.

Bring your completed Challenge Log to the library between February 1 and March 8 to receive your Winter Reading Challenge prize!

### Be a Winner!

Complete any 5 categories to be a winner and receive your prize pack.

Complete all 10 categories and receive your prize pack AND a Norfolk Public Library coffee mug!

### Questions?

For more information, contact Anneka at 402-844-2100 or **aramirez@norfolkne.gov**.

***"Laughter is the sun that drives winter from the human face."***

***~ Victor Hugo***

## Egg Carton Snowmen Craft Kits To-Go

**Beginning Friday January 15**
**(while supplies last)**

Celebrate winter by making these fun egg carton snowmen. Each kit contains materials for one complete craft. Requires scissors and glue. Kits are available inside the library or at the drive-up window.

## Book Clubs

Are you looking for a place to laugh, share stories and make new friends? Then try one of our book clubs! You'll enjoy the reading recommendations and the mix of good books. This month, The Tuesday Night Book Club is discussing *The Red Address Book* by Sofia Lundberg. The main character in the book, Doris, is a 96-year-old who has kept an address book of the people she has met throughout her long life. Not wanting to lose the stories about these people, she begins writing them down for her granddaughter.

Find out more about the Tuesday Night Book Club on page 7. Book clubs are a fun way to meet interesting people and expand your reading selections.

# Top Check-Outs of 2020

## Adult Books

1. *Daddy's Girls* by Danielle Steel
2. *Cajun Justice* by James Patterson
3. *Lost* by James Patterson
4. *The Numbers Game* by Danielle Steel
5. *The Summer House* by James Patterson

## Young Adult Books

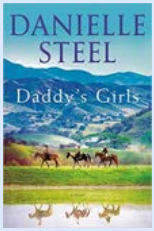
1. *Dry* by Neal Shusterman
2. *Time Bomb* by Joelle Charbonneau
3. *Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows* by J.K. Rowling
4. *Batman: Nightwalker* by Marie Lu
5. *The Lightning Thief* by Rick Riordan

## Juvenile Books

1. *Saving Winslow* by Sharon Creech
2. *Ruby in the Sky* by Jeanne Zulick Ferruolo
3. *Bob* by Wendy Mass
4. *The Miscalculations of Lightning Girl* by Stacy McAnulty
5. *Diary of a Wimpy Kid: Wrecking Ball* by Jeff Kinney

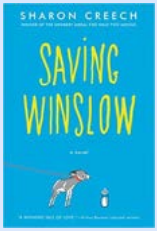
## Picture Books

1. *We Don't Eat Our Classmates* by Ryan T. Higgins
2. *Neck and Neck* by Elise Parsley
3. *Grumpy Monkey* by Suzanne Lang
4. *This Is a Taco!* by Andrew Cangelose
5. *Got to Get to Bear's!* by Brian Lies

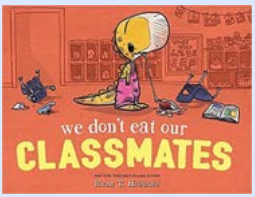



***Daddy's Girls***
**by Danielle Steel**

***Dry***
**by Neal Shusterman**




***Saving Winslow***
**by Sharon Creech**




***We Don't Eat Our Classmates***
**by Ryan T. Higgins**

# Youth Programs

## STORYTIME TO-GO:

Storytime To-Go kits include 5 books, coloring pages, activities and craft ideas. Ask for one at our Service Desk or call 402-844-2100 to pick up at the drive-up service window or to have them put in a locker.

## ONLINE BABY & TODDLER STORYTIME LIVE:

Fridays at 10:00 a.m. For infants through age 2, join us for rhymes, songs, baby games and stories. Meets virtually via Zoom. Receive your email link through our online event calendar or through our NPL Kids Facebook group.

## ONLINE STORYTIME LIVE:

Fridays at 10:30. For ages 2 and up, join us for stories, songs, puppets and more. Meets virtually via Zoom. Receive your email link through our online event calendar or through our NPL Kids Facebook group.

## YOUNG ADULT BOOK CLUB:

Saturday, January 9, at 2:30 p.m. Meets in Meeting Room A at the library. For teenagers who love to read and talk about books. Newcomers are always welcome. This month's book is *I Am Still Alive* by Kate Alice Marshall.

## GOLDEN SOWER BOOK CLUB:

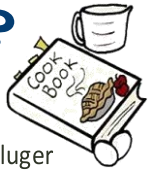
Monday, January 25, at 4:00 p.m. Meets virtually via Zoom. This is a book club for kids ages 8-12 whose reading selections come from titles nominated for the Golden Sower Award, Nebraska's Children's Choice Literary Award. Newcomers are always welcome, and all books are provided by the library. This month's book is *The Unsung Hero of Birdsong, USA* by Brenda Woods.

## 1,000 BOOKS BEFORE KINDERGARTEN:

Reading 1,000 books to your child before kindergarten is a fun and rewarding way to instill an early love of reading. Any child from birth until kindergarten can participate. Completion will take from a few months to a few years, depending on how often you read. The program is designed to equip children's first teachers, their parents, with the tools needed to instill a love of reading. Earn free books along the way!

***For more information on any of these programs, call Karen, Amber or Nikki at 402-844-2100 or stop by the library.***

# Hungry for a New Cookbook?




*The library has shelves full of favorites like Taste of Home, Betty Crocker and Weight Watchers. Find great recipes for any diet.*

- *Intermittent Fasting* by Elyse Bose
- *Skillet Love* by Anne Byrn
- *From Freezer to Cooker* by Polly Conner
- *Skinnytaste Meal Prep* by Gina Homolka
- *Vegan Everything* by Nadine Horn
- *Paleo Diet* by Brian James
- *Modern Cast Iron* by Ashley L. Jones
- *Chasing Flavor* by Dan Kluger
- *Ultimate Veg* by Jamie Oliver
- *What to Eat When* by Michael Roizen
- *Midwest Made* by Shauna Sever
- *See You on Sunday* by Sam Sifton
- *Open Kitchen* by Susan Spungen
- *Trejo's Tacos* by Danny Trejo

# Classic Poetry

## *In Memoriam (Ring Out, Wild Bells)*

*by Alfred Lord Tennyson*

*Ring out, wild bells, to the wild sky,*
*The flying cloud, the frosty light:*
*The year is dying in the night;*
*Ring out, wild bells, and let him die.*

*Ring out the old, ring in the new,*
*Ring, happy bells, across the snow:*
*The year is going, let him go;*
*Ring out the false, ring in the true.*

*Ring out the grief that saps the mind*
*For those that here we see no more;*
*Ring out the feud of rich and poor,*
*Ring in redress to all mankind.*

*Ring out a slowly dying cause,*
*And ancient forms of party strife;*
*Ring in the nobler modes of life,*
*With sweeter manners, purer laws.*

*Ring out the want, the care, the sin,*
*The faithless coldness of the times;*
*Ring out, ring out my mournful rhymes*
*But ring the fuller minstrel in.*

*Ring out false pride in place and blood,*
*The civic slander and the spite;*
*Ring in the love of truth and right,*
*Ring in the common love of good.*

*Ring out old shapes of foul disease;*
*Ring out the narrowing lust of gold;*
*Ring out the thousand wars of old,*
*Ring in the thousand years of peace.*

*Ring in the valiant man and free,*
*The larger heart, the kindlier hand;*
*Ring out the darkness of the land,*
*Ring in the Christ that is to be.*

# Monthly Programs

**TUESDAY NIGHT BOOK CLUB:** January 26 at 6:30 p.m. For adults. Contact Jessica at 402-844-2100 or **jchamberlain@norfolkne.gov** for more information. Newcomers are always welcome. Meets virtually via Zoom. This month's book is *The Red Address Book* by Sofia Lundberg.

**WEDNESDAY MORNING BOOK CLUB:** January 27 at 10:00 a.m. For adults. Contact Karen at 402-844-2100 or **kdrevo@norfolkne.gov** for more information. Newcomers are always welcome. Meets virtually via Zoom. This month's book is *Killers of the Flower Moon* by David Grann.

**20s & 30s BOOK CLUB:** January 28 at 6:30 p.m. Contact Anneka at 402-844-2100 or **aramirez@norfolkne.gov** for more information. Newcomers are always welcome. Meets virtually via Zoom. This month's book is *A Dirty, Wicked Town* by David Bristow.

## A New Year
**by Janet Seegebarth**

Happy 2021! Last year was certainly full of unexpected challenges, and most of us are happy to see it go as we anticipate a new year, optimistically believing that it will be much better.

While we were closed to the public last year for exactly 100 days due to the pandemic, we learned much about how to remain available to the public during an ongoing health crisis.

Last year, we added an outdoor locker system, which made access to library materials even more convenient. We transitioned from physical programs to virtual platforms, such as online book clubs and Storytime through Zoom, and we created take-home programs, such as craft kits and Storytime To-Go.

We created more awareness of the resources already available to patrons with their library cards through our digital library. People discovered career skills exams, practice tests for getting a driver's license or CDL, auto repair manuals, Consumer Reports and language learning lessons—all accessible from home. The library also doubled the number of WiFi hotspots from 20 to 40, making it easier for people to stay connected.

While 2020 was an extremely difficult year for most of us, and we are not back to normal yet, we look forward to returning to our regular programs and services soon. Many of the changes we made last year will remain in place, making the library's unique blend of physical and online services stronger and better than ever for 2021 and beyond!

# January 2020

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| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
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| Scheduled programs could change due to circum-stances beyond our control. | | | | | 1<br>LIBRARY CLOSED<br> <br> | 2 |
| 3 | 4<br>Winter Reading Challenge Sign-Up Begins | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8<br>Online Baby & Toddler Storytime Live @ 10:00 A.M. (Virtual via Zoom)<br>Online Storytime Live @ 10:30 A.M. (Virtual via Zoom) | 9<br>Young Adult Book Club @ 2:30 P.M. (Meeting Room A) |
| 10 | 11 | 12<br> | 13 | 14 | 15<br>Egg Carton Snow-men Craft Kits To-Go (All day)<br>Online Baby & Toddler Storytime Live @ 10:00 A.M. (Virtual via Zoom)<br>Online Storytime Live @ 10:30 A.M. (Virtual via Zoom) | 16<br>Egg Carton Snowmen Craft Kits To-Go (All day) |
| 17 | 18<br>Martin Luther King, Jr. Day<br> <br> | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22<br>Online Baby & Toddler Storytime Live @ 10:00 A.M. (Virtual via Zoom)<br>Online Storytime Live @ 10:30 A.M. (Virtual via Zoom) | 23 |
| 24 | 25<br>Golden Sower Book Club @ 4:00 P.M. (Virtual via Zoom) | 26<br>Tuesday Night Book Club @ 6:30 P.M. (Virtual via Zoom) | 27<br>Wednesday Morning Book Club @ 10:00 A.M. (Virtual via Zoom) | 28<br>20s & 30s Book Club @ 6:30 P.M. (Virtual via Zoom) | 29<br>Online Baby & Toddler Storytime Live @ 10:00 A.M. (Virtual via Zoom)<br>Online Storytime Live @ 10:30 A.M. (Virtual via Zoom) | 30 |
| 31<br> | February 1<br>Last Day to Sign Up for Winter Reading Challenge | February 2 | February 3 | February 4<br> | February 5<br>Online Baby & Toddler Storytime Live @ 10:00 A.M. (Virtual via Zoom)<br>Online Storytime Live @ 10:30 A.M. (Virtual via Zoom) | February 6<br>Young Adult Book Club @ 2:30 P.M. (Virtual via Zoom) |