Library Insider

BOX OF BOKS

The newsletter of the Box of Books Library

Upcoming Programs

All Ears Literacy Support
Sunday, January 29
Sunday, February 23
1:30-3:30pm
Read with therapy dog,
Kilroy! Practice early reading
skills and get to know a
therapy dog!



Thursday February 9
4:00pm
DIY Bird Feeders
Make bird feeders from
recycled items. Help winter
birds and the environment.

Thursday February 16
2:00pm
Rug Hooking Workshop
Learn a new skill with rug
hooking! We will provide all
the materials. This is great
for beginners, and no prior
experience is required.



Regular Programs

True Crime Book Club

First Tuesday of every month, the True Crime Book Club meets at 5:00pm at Terra Cotta Coffeehouse. Books and beverages are provided by the library! If you're interested in joining the discussions, email the library at alfred@stls.org.

Storytime

Join us every Wednesday at 11:00am for storytime. Storytime is for children ages 0-5 years and their caregivers. Storytime includes books, songs, puppets, and crafts!

Find out what's happening

If you need to know what's happening at the library, be sure to check our website: www.alfredboxofbooks.org/ events. This will provide you with a full calendar. You can also find us on Instagram and Facebook!



Winter Reading Program

Sign up for Winter Reading Program! This program consists of BINGO cards. Get a BINGO and turn your card into the library for a chance to win great prizes!

There are 4 different cards for each age group. Submit up to 4 cards (one of each layout) for up to 4 chances to win!

There are cards for teens and adults and cards for children.

The Winter Reading BINGO will run from January 17-February 28.

We have many great handmade prizes for winners. So what are you waiting for? Get your BINGO sheets today!

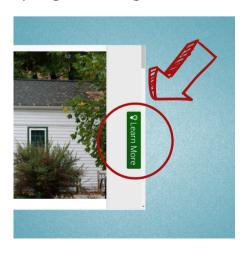


Tech Tip

The Overdrive app will no longer be available after April 2023. Make the switch to Libby for all the same great content. If you need assistance with making the transition, we're here to help! Call or email the library. Need a one-on-one appointment? Give us a call.



Get more from your library! Check out our website for tutorials, programming and more!



Literacy Tip

Do you have a reluctant reader? A child who doesn't like to read for pleasure, or shows little interest in reading.

Reading is an important skills to build in young children.
Just like sports or music skills, reading takes practice.
Here are a few ways you can help a reluctant reader:

- Lead by example. Make sure your child sees you reading for pleasure.
- Make it fun. Create a cozy space at home, read with a therapy dog or other pet.
- Visit the library! Let your child pick out books they are interested in. The library staff can also recommend books that might appeal to your child.
- Get creative. Combine graphic novels with regular print books.
 Combine print with audio.
 Read a book then watch the movie together.
 Providing different ways to read may engage a reluctant reader.



New DVDs

- Black Panther: Wakanda Forever
- Till
- She Said
- Whitstable Pearl
- Recipes for Love and Murder

Library Services

- Free Mobile WiFi Hotspots
- Downloadable eBooks and audiobooks [Libby]
- Digital Magazines
- Public computers
- Print & Fax Services
- Museum & Park Passes
- Video games, DVDs, Audiobooks on CD
- · Board games
- Literacy & STEM kits
- Posters
- Telescope & binoculars
- One-on-one technology assistance
- Early literacy programs
- Interlibrary loan
- FREE Programs
- Seed library
- Talking Book and Braille Library assistance
- Research Databases