

# Carthage Public Library District

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## FILL OUR STOCKING FUNDRAISING CAMPAIGN

Many thanks to those who have contributed to the Fill Our Stocking Campaign. As of November 23, we have received \$4327.52. This campaign runs from Nov. 1 - Jan. 31 with a goal of raising \$25,000 in a 3-month period, and reviving awareness of and support for our overall Capital Campaign. It is a joint effort between the Library, the Foundation, and the Friends of the Library.



There are many ways to give:

- Make a year-end tax deductible donation to the Carthage District Library Foundation.
- Purchase tickets for the Friends Gift Basket Raffle.
- Purchase an engraved brick or paver.
- Share our Social Media posts for "Giving Tuesday" on Nov. 29, & the link to our GoFundMePage. <https://gofund.me/6f1d0467>.
- All donations received for book sale items will go directly to this campaign.
- The elementary school will be holding a coin drive between Thanksgiving and Christmas.
- Spread the word to all of your family members, friends, neighbors, and former residents and encourage them to give as well.

Gifts of any size are appreciated. Checks should be payable to the Carthage District Library Foundation. More information is on the Foundation's webpage: [www.carthagepubliclibrary.com/library-foundation.html](http://www.carthagepubliclibrary.com/library-foundation.html).



## TICKETS ON SALE FOR THE FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY GIFT BASKET RAFFLE

Buy your tickets for the gift basket raffle by December 14! Tickets cost \$2 each or 6 for \$10 and may be purchased at the Library. The drawings will be held on December 15.

Local businesses and Friends made generous donations and we have 16 wonderful baskets! You choose which basket drawing(s) you wish to enter.

Options include: an artist basket with canvases, paints, and watercolor pencils; a movie basket with a League of Super-Pets DVD plus candy and snacks donated by County Market; a gift basket from Bold Nutrition; a bundle-up basket with a hat and scarf from Rural Bliss plus a \$15 DQ card; a car care package including certificates from Menn's Firestone, J&R Tire, and Carson Motors; a Chocolate Lover's basket; hair care products and a haircut by Maxine Smart; a doggie bed filled with dog toys and treats plus a \$25 gift certificate from Countryside Vet Care and 10 tokens from Kwik Shine Pet Wash; a cozy reading basket with 4 books, slippers, a candle, lotion, chocolate, a mug & cider mix, plus a \$25 cash gift card; a sweet treats basket with 4 jars of cookie mixes, cookie cutters, frosting, and an oven mitt; a dinner & a show package with a \$50 gift certificate from the Wood Inn and a certificate for 2 tickets to a show of the winner's choice at the Legacy Theater; a \$40 certificate to The Nail Bar (next door to the Library); a honey-bee basket with pure honey as well as soaps and lotions from Pleasantview Farms; a basket from Ben Franklin with pot holders, a cookie cutter and spatula plus a \$10 gift card from Los Charros; an insulated mug with a \$30 gift card from Hardees; And a \$75 dollar certificate to More Medical donated by More Medical.

The baskets are displayed at the Library and photos with descriptions are posted on the Friends webpage <https://www.carthagepubliclibrary.com/friends-of-the-library.html> and Facebook. Funds will go toward the new library building construction project as part of the "Fill our Stocking" Campaign.

## LIBRARY HOURS

Monday & Wednesday 11:00 am - 7:00 pm  
Tuesday & Thursday 9:30 am - 7:00 pm  
Friday 11:00 am - 5:00 pm  
Saturday 9:00 am - 5:00 pm

**Closed Christmas Eve and December 26th.**

**Thurs., Dec. 29, open at 11:00 (not 9:30)**

**Closed Monday, Jan. 2**



## Book Club

December 8th we are meeting to discuss the holiday themed books the individual members have read. This meeting will take place at 12:30 pm at the library.

In January we will be reading: A Perfect Day by Richard Paul Evans. January meeting is on the 12th at 12:30pm. We welcome new members! If you want a copy of the book for January they are available at the front desk starting the first week in December. You do not need to be a book club member to check out the book!



# WEEKLY EVENTS



## Rhythm and Movement Plus Storytime

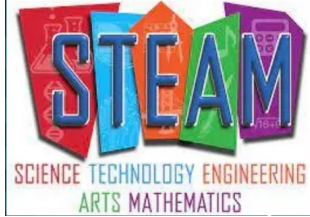
Our Last Rhythm and Movement Storytime of 2022 will be December 6th. We have enjoyed having all of the babies, toddlers and preschoolers this fall and look forward to seeing everyone in 2023!

## STEAM STORYTIME - is on Tuesdays through December 6th

Stories plus STEAM activities.

- Tuesdays at 3:30 – 4:30 pm
- Ages 3 years—3rd grade.  
(Pre-schoolers must be accompanied by an adult)
- Snacks are provided.

No pre-registration is required.



**Coding Club** will not meet December 1st. Coding Club will meet December 8th and 15th, and will resume January 12th. The group meets at 3:30 on Thursdays.

## English Language Learners Group:

We will meet December 8th & 15th, then take a break until January 12th. This group is for adults and teens who are learning English. Participants may bring their children if needed; however, there is no formal program for the children at this time.

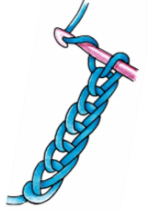
## Community Game Night—Nov. 28th 6pm

This is for all community members! Come make new friends, play new games, or bring your favorite to share with someone else! Event will last two hours but you don't need to stay the whole time.

# MONTHLY EVENTS

## Crocheting Group

Crochet group is for anyone 8 years of age and older who crochets or wants to learn. Knitters and embroiderers are also welcome.



Group meets at the library from 6:30-8:00 pm every other Tuesday; **December dates are the 6th and 20th.** Bring your own project, or yarn and hooks are provided for learning & practicing.

## Holiday Reading Challenge

In December we have a holiday reading challenge. You need to fill the 7 ornaments on the tree with any books that you have read during November and December. These are due back to the library by January 10th.



[https://www.carthagepubliclibrary.com/uploads/4/2/6/0/42607329/holiday\\_reading\\_challenge.pdf](https://www.carthagepubliclibrary.com/uploads/4/2/6/0/42607329/holiday_reading_challenge.pdf)



There are 63 children signed up for the 1000 Books Before Kindergarten program! The children are getting closer to 1000 books! Two children have read 700 books and many have read

400. Remember to come to the library after every 100 books to receive a prize and add your picture to our wall! Any child from birth to those entering kindergarten in fall 2023 are welcome to join the program! [www.carthagepubliclibrary.com/1000-books-before-kindergarten.html](http://www.carthagepubliclibrary.com/1000-books-before-kindergarten.html)



# December Specials!

**Santa Christmas Spectacular December 12th**— Santa to be at the library from 6-6:45pm. Santa has offered to read a story this year! Adults please come prepared to take photos of your child with Santa! After seeing Santa families can head upstairs where we will have games, cookie decorating, and Christmas themed crafts. Upstairs fun will wrap up about 7:30pm.

**Food For Fines is extended until January 1st!** Bring an item to donate to Food For Thoughts of Hancock County and erase \$1 worth of fines for overdue materials. Food For Thoughts of Hancock County sends food home over the weekend for kids in need. Items most needed are breakfast bars and other individually wrapped items.

**Book Ornament Contest**— The library is looking for ornaments to decorate our tree this year. We are having a contest for all ages. Please bring your ornaments by December 3rd to be considered for prizes. Ornaments should be based on a book. When you turn in your entry we need to know your name, a phone number to contact you if you win, and what book your ornament is based on.

