“Grandma’s Garden” Storytime
Tuesday, April 16: 5:00 pm
To help celebrate “Go-To” Week, local author and teacher Holly Colter Mishler will give a special storytime featuring songs and her book “Grandma’s Garden.” The book centers on the story of Libby and her special relationship with her grandmother and the love of gardening that they share together.
This program is for all ages, but will be geared for those ages 4-7. Registration is appreciated.

Martial arts/Self-defense Demo
Thursday, April 18: 6:30-7:30 pm
All ages. Students from Fred Chiappetta’s martial arts studio will give a demonstration on various martial arts techniques, from judo to jujitsu. Then stay to learn some basic self-defense techniques that can help you in an emergency situation. Whether you are a child or a senior citizen you can benefit from some of these easy techniques to use. Event is part of the “Go-To” Week. Registration is appreciated. Sign up at the library or call 260-824-1612.

Foreign Diplomats Program
Thursday, April 25: 6:30-7:30 pm
Former Bluffton resident, Ryan Feeback will talk about his current position of serving as a U.S. Diplomat in Abuja, Nigeria. Ryan is part of the U.S. Department of State’s “Hometown Diplomats” program and will discuss the work that he does overseas on behalf of the United States. Registration is appreciated. Sign up at the library or call 260-824-1612. Program best for teens and adults.

Genealogy Workshops
Quaker records – Thursday, March 7: 6:00-7:00 pm – “Oliver dis for na, dp, & att mcd.” Learn how to read the abbreviations and codes to decipher the Quaker records. Will you find any family secrets? Also learn about a couple of online Quaker resources.
Reading maps – Thursday, April 4: 6:00-7:00 pm – What is located in T26N R12E section 4? Come to this workshop and find out about townships, ranges, sections and other parts of maps.
Registration is appreciated. Sign up at the library or call 260-824-1612.
Wedding bells will soon be ringing for June brides. If you are one of those busy planning your special day, don’t forget to check out the library’s wedding music collection. The library has several wedding music books plus a nice selection of wedding music CDs. We have traditional wedding music, less traditional which include jazz selections and wedding songs for blended families. You will find the wedding music CDs in the miscellaneous music section. The wedding music books can be found in the Music score collection.

New Music (Coming Soon):
- 20/20 experience: Justin Timberlake
- All that echoes: Josh Groban
- Best of the Shangri-Las: Shangri-Las
- Country line dance party: Hit Crew
- Fandango: Herb Alpert
- Greatest hits: Jewel
- Highway: Holly Williams
- His and Hers: Joey & Rory
- How country feels: Randy Houser
- In time: Maverick
- Kings & Queens: Audio Adrenaline
- Jazz age: Bryan Ferry Orchestra
- Lead with your heart: Canadian Tenors
- A Messenger: Colton Dixon
- The Messenger: Johnny Marr
- Motown the musical - soundtrack
- Need you now: Plumb
- Now that’s what I call music 45
- Old yellow moon: EmmyLou Harris
- Old sock: Eric Clapton
- Reckless: Jeremy Camp
- Set you free: Gary Allan
- Smash: Bombshell - soundtrack
- Spring break: Here to party: Luke Bryan
- Two lanes of freedom: Tim McGraw
- Zion: Hillsong

Children’s:
- Awesome Dinosaurs: Tales of Scales
- Barbie in the Pink Shoes (3/26)
- Bubble Guppies: On the Job
- Dinosaur Train: Submarine Adventures
- I Wanna Be a Train Engineer
- I Wanna Be a Bulldozer Driver
- Iron Man Amored Adventures
- Littlest Pet Shop: Little Pets, Big Adventures
- Madly Madagascar
- Mickey Mouse Clubhouse: Mickey & Donald Have a Farm
- Minnie’s the Wizard of Dizz (3/31)
- Phineas & Ferb: Animal Agents
- Power Rangers Samurai: A Team Divided
- Power Rangers Super Samurai:

Adults:
- 10 Years
- Alex Cross*
- American Girl: McKenna Shoots for the Stars
- Anna Karenina*(3/19)
- Argo*(2/19)
- Atlas Shrugged, Part II*
- Bully
- Celeste & Jesse Forever
- Chasing Mavericks
- Company of Heroes
- Cupid
- End of Watch*
- Fairfield Road
- Flight
- For a Good Time, Call
- Fun Size
- God in America
- Here Comes the Boom*
- Hitchcock* (3/12)
- The Hobbit: An Unexpected Journey* (3/19)
- How to Fall in Love
- Hyde Park on Hudson (5/7)
- In Darkness
- Jillian Michaels: Hard Body
- Jillian Michaels: Killer Abs
- Killing Them Softly (3/26)
- Lady Gaga: On the Edge
- A Late Quartet
- Les Miserables* (4/19)
- Life of Pi*(3/12)
- Lincoln*(3/26)
- The Man With the Iron Fists (3/12)
- The Master
- Rise of the Bullzooka
- Rise of the Guardians*(3/12)
- Scooby-Doo: Mask of the Blue Falcon
- Sid the Science Kid: Sid Rock & Roll Easter
- Sofia the First: Once Upon a Princess (3/5)
- Spectacular Spiderman
- Wild Kratts: Lost at Sea
- Wreck-it Ralph* (3/5)
- Zootopia
- Zero Dark Thirty*(3/19)

New Movies

*Titles with an asterisk indicate that this title is available in Blu-ray

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The library has recently joined a new music download service called Freegal. With your library card, you can get up to three free MP3 songs a week (and you get to keep them!). Go to our website and click on the “Downloadable Music” link (or go directly to wellscolibrary.freegalmusic.com). On the Freegal page, you'll need to enter your library card number and pin number. There are millions of songs available by popular artists. With one easy click you can download the music to your computer and transfer to your MP3 player. If you prefer, Freegal also has an app for Apple and Android.
RESUMES!

Do you need to create or revamp a resume? In the INSPIRE databases there is help. The Build a Resume tab can create a “professional resume that outlines your qualifications and highlights your skills and accomplishments”. Once you enter your information and choose a design, the resume builder will expertly format the resume. When it is finished, you can print copies of the Word document, save it to your computer or on a flash drive. It is recommended that you email the resume to yourself. This allows you to see how it will look when you email it to a potential employer. It can also be saved on the website. Resumes can be created “for the private sector, federal employment, or college applications.”

To find Build a Resume, on the library’s website select Databases, then INSPIRE. At the bottom of the page there is a link to Testing & Education Reference Center. After clicking on the icon, select the tab titled Career Tools. At Career Tools scroll down to Build a Resume. Click on Start Now, register by creating a User Name and Password.

Ossian Branch project almost complete!

On Saturday, January 19th, several staff members and volunteers helped move book shelves and materials into the “new part” of the Ossian Branch Library. On Monday, January 28th, this portion of the library opened to the public in a good news/bad news scenario. The good news was that patrons again had access to an outside drop box and could see what had already been accomplished. The bad news—the old part was no longer accessible due to renovations. As many items as possible were moved into the new area; however, portions of the collection are not available.

Visitors now enter the building from the north side. For their safety, they are asked not to walk across the grass or snow to get into the building. The ground is uneven. If visitors park in the back or along Mill or Jefferson Street, there are sidewalks that lead to the new entrance. If they park in the north parking lot, they are asked to walk down the alley to the sidewalk and enter from Jefferson Street.

At this time, the old area has already undergone many changes, but more work is needed. The Ossian staff has been working “behind the plastic” to help prepare the area for painting and new carpet, as well as other updates. When renovations are finished, shelves will need set up again and then filled with materials that have been temporarily relocated to either the new part or boxes in the meeting room.

We are planning an Open House to celebrate the wonderful renovated facility when it is finished; however, we don’t have a specific date yet. Visitors can check out the library’s Facebook page for information as it becomes available. We appreciate the patience and understanding patrons have shown during the project. While we are experiencing temporary downsizing, the finished building will allow us to serve the needs of our patrons better.

Join a LIBRARY CLUB!

Computer Club:
Tuesday, March 12: 1-2 pm
Tuesday, April 9: 1-2 pm

Cookbook Club:
Tuesday, March 12: 6-7 pm
Tuesday, April 9: 6-7 pm

Brown Bag Book Club
Monday, March 11: 1:30-2:30 pm
Any book by Michael Koryta
Monday, April 8: 1:30-2:30 pm
Sweetness at the Bottom of the Pie
by C. Alan Bradley

“What Picked This Book Anyway?” Club
Meet at Bailey’s Coffee shop
Thursday, March 14: 6:30 pm
The Girl with the Pearl Earring
by Tracy Chevalier
(extra copies available to be picked up!)

Thursday, April 11: 6:30 pm
The Girl of the Limberlost
by Gene Stratton-Porter

MOVIES @ the library

“Wreck-It Ralph” (PG):
Bluffton: March 16 at 2 pm

“Despicable Me” (PG):
Bluffton: April 13 at 2 pm

Bring pillows & snacks to watch movies on the big screen! Movies are free. Children 6 and under must be accompanied by an adult. Popcorn served at movies in the Main Library.
Author Visit: Mike Mullin
Friday, March 1: 5:30-6:30pm
All Ages. How is Taekwondo like writing? Ashfall author Mike Mullin will show you how to break things with a hammer-fist, how to become a better writer, and a little bit about the Yellowstone super volcano!

After Hours
Friday, March 8: 5:30-8:00 pm Grades 4-8. Enjoy a night of Wii on the big screens, games, pizza, snacks, and hide-and-seek in the library! You must have a permission slip from the library signed by a parent or guardian to attend. Registration is suggested.

Craft It! @ the Library
Thursday, March 21: 6:00-7:30 pm Thursday, April 18: 6:00-7:30 pm Calling all scrapbookers, crocheters, knitters, jewelry makers, and generally crafty folks! All ages and skill levels are welcome to attend this open craft time. We will provide the space, die-cut machine, and refreshments; you provide the project and conversation!

Teen Book Club
Monday, March 25: 6:30-7:30 pm Monday, April 29: 6:30-7:30 pm Grades 6-12. Do you love to read? Come join other teens and discuss a book chosen by your group. The book for March will be Divergent by Veronica Roth and the book for April will be Slathbog’s Gold by M.L. Forman. We will choose May and June’s books during the March meeting. The Teen Department will have extra copies of the title for book club readers, so drop by today and pick a copy up! Snacks and drinks will be provided.

Luau Beach Party
Tuesday, March 26: 5:30-7:00 pm Grades 6-12. Stuck in non-tropical Bluffton over Spring Break? Stop by the library for a luau beach party! We will have snacks, games, and the Wii. Registration is requested by March 23rd.

T-shirts to Bags
Monday, April 22: 5:30-7:00 pm Grades 6-12. In honor of Earth Day, we’re going green in the Teen department by creating hobo bags out of old t-shirts. Bring any old t-shirt that you no longer wear, and we’ll show you how to create your own hobo bag to be used for shopping, day-trips, a purse or more! Registration is requested.

Children’s Programs
Tuesday, March 19:
6:30-7:30 pm
Fun with Food:
JL Crew (Grades 4-6)
Food pranks or faux food—come enjoy an evening of food fun!

Brush Up on Art!:
Kids’ Club (Grades K-3)
Get your creative juices flowing, art lovers!

Tuesday, April 16: 6:30-7:30 pm
Chemistry Night:
JL Crew (Grades 4-6)
Watch and be amazed as the Bluffton High School Chemistry class performs chemistry magic right in front of you!

I Spy with My Little Eye!:
Kids’ Club (Grades K-3)
Enjoy going on the “look out” for objects in the library.

iPad 101 Classes—the library will be holding a 6-week series of basic iPad instructions for seniors on Mondays at 11 am from April 1-May 6. Learn general info about the device, how to install apps, use the Internet on the iPad, and more. Part of the Bluffton Parks Department’s Senior Exploration Program. Space is limited. Registration is required and must by made through the Parks Department (call 824-6069 or e-mail parks@ci.bluffton.in.us).

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