Wells County Public Library

www.wellscolibrary.org

Bluffton—Main Library
200 West Washington Street
Bluffton, Indiana 46714
260-824-1612
Monday—Thursday
9 am to 8 pm
Friday
9 am to 6 pm
Saturday *
9 am to 2 pm

* NEW SATURDAY HOURS

Ossian Branch Library
207 North Jefferson Street
Ossian, Indiana 46777
260-622-4691
Monday—Friday
9 am to 5 pm
Saturday
9 am to Noon

Library Closings:
Labor Day: September 2-4
Street Fair/Inventory Week:
Main Library: September 18 (close at 5 pm)
September 19-23
Ossian Branch: September 20-21
Thanksgiving: November 22 (close at 5 pm)
November 23-24
Christmas: December 23-26
New Year’s: January 1

Connect With Us on...
Events for Teens

All events are free and held at the Main Library in Bluffton. Register for events at the library, online at www.wellscolibrary.org, or call 260-824-1612.

Monthly Events

Manga Club
September 11, October 2, November 6, and December 4
Meets the first Monday of the month from 6:00-7:30 pm Grades 4-12. Discuss manga or anime series, cosplay, learn Japanese phrases, karaoke to theme songs, play Smash Bros on Wii and more. You can also pick up a copy of one of these manga series the month prior to participate in a discussion. Registration appreciated.

- Sept. 11: “One Piece” (pirates, revolution)
- Oct. 2: “Karaoke” (fan, J-Pop, anime theme)
- Nov. 6: “Bleach” (reaper, Shinigami, spirits)
- Dec. 4: “Fairy Tail” (magles, guilds, dragons)

Teen Advisory Board (TAB)
September 27, October 18*, November 29, and December 27
Meets the third Tuesday of the month from 6:30-7:30 pm Grades 4-12. Meet at the Teen Zone desk or at the door the evening of the party. Register by November 2 for a guaranteed spot.

JL Crew
October 17, November 21, and December 19
Meets the third Tuesday of the month from 6:30-7:30 pm Grades 4-6. Join us for a night of fun activities that are centered around a different theme each month. Registration appreciated.

Special Events

Minecraft Mania
Bluffton: Thursday, September 28, 5:30-7:30 pm Grades 4-12. Players will be given a Minecraft building challenge and 75 minutes to come up with a creative solution. We will then showcase the creations on our big screen. If you have your own device and Minecraft account please bring it! We will only have a few iPads with guest accounts for those who do not have a device or account. We will also have a few laptops with Minecraft installed on them for those who have a PC Minecraft account but don’t want to bring their laptops/computers. Snacks will be served. Register by September 27 for a guaranteed spot.

Book Washing
Bluffton: Monday, October 9, 5:00-8:00 pm Grades 4-12. Volunteer to wash books at the library and get fines removed from your card! For every hour that you wash books you can take $12.00 off your fine! Don’t have any fines? Great! You can still wash books and receive a free book of your choice valued at $12.00 or less for every hour and half that you volunteer on the 9th! That’s up to $36.00 off your fine or two free books and you’ll even get to enjoy a tasty treat while you volunteer. Pre-registration is required so that we can have enough snacks available.

Melted Crayon Art
Bluffton: Thursday, October 12, 6:00-7:30 pm Grades 4-12. Create a work of art with crayons in a whole new way. We’ll be using several techniques to melt the crayons onto your canvas resulting in a unique piece of melted wax art. We want to make sure that we will have enough supplies so register by October 11 for a guaranteed spot in this program!

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International Games Week

After-Hours Party
Bluffton: Friday, November 3, 5:30-7:30 pm Grades 4-8. Join us as we celebrate International Games Week at the library by playing all kinds of games including Wii, board games, and hide-and-seek in the library after the library closes. We will also have pizza and snacks for you to enjoy! You must have a permission slip signed by a parent or guardian to attend. Permission slips are available at the Teen Zone desk or at the door the evening of the party. Register by November 2 for a guaranteed spot.

Make Your Own Crystal Radio
Bluffton: Thursday, November 9, 6:00-8:00 pm
3rd grade - Adult. The Wells County Amateur Radio Club, Upper Wabash Conservation & Science Center, and Wells County Public Library are collaborating to bring people of all ages together to learn how to build your very own working crystal radio. Participants in this STEM program will learn about some of the science behind how radios work and will build their very own crystal radio. Registrations will be taken at the Reference Desk at the Main Library. The cost for each radio kit is $20 and must be paid upon registration. We are encouraging families to work together on the same kit to make this a multi-generational learning experience. Space is limited so sign up today!

Escape Room
Bluffton: Thursday, November 16, 5:30-7:30 pm Grades 4-12. In teams of 4-5 people, you will be “locked” in the meeting room. Together you need to find hidden clues, solve puzzles, and use your logic and observation skills to find codes to unlock the box that holds the final key to get out of the room. It’s possible — but it won’t be easy. Are you up to the challenge? If so register by November 15 for a guaranteed spot in this program. Space is limited! This is a different escape room from the previous two that we have run at the library for teens.

Crazy Christmas Culinary Challenge
Bluffton: Thursday, December 14, 6:00-7:30 pm Grades 6-12. If you like to cook and enjoy the show Chopped™ then this program is for you! In teams of 4-5 people, you will be given a basket full of Christmas themed ingredients and you will have 1 hour to prepare your dishes using all of the ingredients from the basket. The winning team will receive a small prize and the title of “Crazy Christmas Culinary Challenge Champions of 2017.” (Try to say that 5 times fast...) Space is limited. Register by December 13 for a guaranteed spot.

Sweep Party at the “Y”
Thursday, December 28, 6:00-8:00 pm Grades 6-12. This free program will take place at the Cayfor-Nickel Foundation Family YMCA in Bluffton. Join us for an evening of fun as we start off swimming, then enjoy a snack, and finish up with a fun activity in the gym. We will meet at the “Y” starting at 5:45 pm and you will need to be picked up no later than 8:15 pm. This will be a very active program so come dressed appropriately. Don’t forget your swimsuit and towel (no bikinis please). You do not need to be a member of the “Y” to attend. Registration is REQUIRED by December 27.

Saturday @ the Movies

All ages. Bring pillows and snacks to watch movies on the big screen. Children 6 and under must be accompanied by an adult. Popcorn served at the movies in the Main Library.

- “LEGO Batman Movie” (PG) Ossian: Sept. 9 at 10 am Bluffton: Sept. 16 at 10 am
- “Cars 3” (G) Ossian: Nov. 11 at 10 am Bluffton: Nov. 18 at 10 am
- “Boss Baby” (PG) Ossian: Oct. 14 at 10 am Bluffton: Dec. 6 at 10 am
- “Despicable Me 3” (PG) Ossian: Dec. 9 at 10 am Bluffton: Dec. 16 at 10 am
- “Beauty and the Beast” (PG) Bluffton: Oct. 14 at 10 am
- “Captain Marvel” (PG) Bluffton: Nov. 24 at 10 am

* Due to a change in Saturday hours at the Main Library, please make note that all movies are now held at 10 am.

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