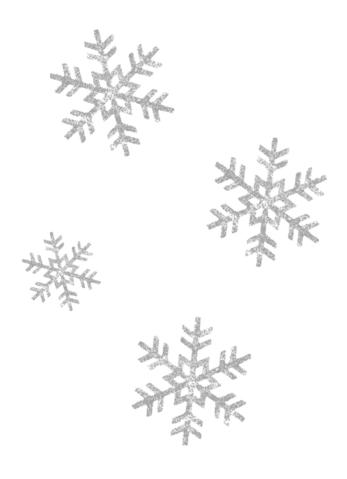
The BOOK Report

Wells County Public Library News



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A Year in Review at the Library



Winter Reading & National Library Week



Participate in our annual Winter Reading challenge during the month of February.

All ages: Join our Winter Reading challenge and help us donate books to hospitalized children via the Kate's Kart organization. It's super easy to participate. Sign up at the library or online at wellscolibrary.org anytime during the month of February. You'll get a piece of chocolate or pencil for signing up and if you read at least 300 pages you will get a coupon for a free mini Blizzard provided by Dairy Queen and a chance to win a prize basket.

Then if together as a group we can read the total number of pages listed in the chart on the right, we will get to donate books to Kate's Kart. The more we read, the more we will donate, so every page read helps us reach our goal!

Community Goal to read 450,000+ pages to donate books to Kate's Kart

- 100,000 pages read = 25 books donated
- 200,000 pages read = 50 books donated
- 300,000 pages read = 75 books donated
- 400,000 pages read = 100 books donated
- 450,000+ pages read = 125 books donated

Sponsored by The Friends of the Library and Dairy Queen.

A Blizzard of Movies

@ the Main Library—Bluffton

We are getting in the winter spirit as part of our Blizzard of Books Winter Reading challenge. Every Saturday in February, we will be showing a family-friendly, winter-themed movie under the twinkly lights and on the big screen in the Children's Story Hour Room. Movies start at 10:30 am.

- Feb. 2: "Happy Feet" (PG)
- Feb. 9: "Frozen" (PG)
- Feb. 16: "Smallfoot" (PG)
- Feb. 23: "March of the Penguins" (G)

Winter Book Sale

Used books, movies, audio books, DVDs, and more.

HOURS:

February 12: 5-8 pm Friends only preview. Memberships are available at the door.

February 13-14: 9 am-8 pm

February 15: 9 am-6 pm

February 16: 9 am-2 pm

Sponsored by The Friends of the Library. All proceeds help fund library events.



LIBRARIES = STRONG COMMUNITIES

National Library Week: April 8-13

Help us celebrate with libraries nationwide.

Books & Library News

Top 10 Checkouts for 2018

Fiction:

- "If I Live" by Terri Blackstock
- "Before We Were Yours" by Lisa Wingate
- "The Cast" by Danielle Steel
- "The President is Missing" by Bill Clinton and James Patterson
- "Cottage by the Sea" by Debbie Macomber
- "The 17th Suspect" by James Patterson and Maxine Paetro"
- "The Masterpiece" by Francine Rivers
- "Fall From Grace" by Danielle Steel
- "To the Moon and Back" by Karen Kingsbury
- "The Rooster Bar" by John Grisham

Non-fiction:

- "Magnolia Table: A Collection of Recipes for Gathering" by Joanna Gaines
- "The Plant Paradox: The Hidden Dangers in "Healthy"
 Foods that Cause Disease and Weight Gain" by Steven Gundry
- "Girl Wash Your Face" by Rachel Hollis
- "Amish Cooking Class Cookbook" by Wanda E. Brunstetter
- "Trim Healthy Mama Cookbook" by Pearl Barrett and Serene Allison
- "Taste of Home's Quick Cooking Annual Recipes"
- "Sister's First: Stories from our Wild and Wonderful Life"
 - by Jenna Bush Hager and Barbara Pierce Bush
- "In Pieces: a memoir" by Sally Field
- "Educated: a memoir" by Tara Westover
- "Capital Gaines: Smart Things I Learned Doing Stupid Stuff" by Chip Gaines

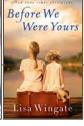
Kids:

- "In the Spotlight (Barbie)" adapted by Mary Man-Kong
- "Guinness World Records"
- "Diary of a Wimpy Kid: Old School" by Jeff Kinney
- "That's Not My Pig...: Its Nose is too Fuzzy" written by Fiona Watt and illustrated by Rachael Wells
- "Pete the Cat and His Magic Sunglasses" by James Dean
- "LEGO DC Superheroes: Save the Day!" written by Trey King and illustrated by Kenny Kiernan
- "Pete at the Beach" by James Dean
- "One Fish, Two Fish, Red Fish, Blue Fish" by Dr. Seuss
- "That's Not My Monster" written by Fiona Watt and illustrated by Rachael Wells
- "Dog Man and Cat Kid" by Dav Pilkey

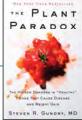
Teen:

- Trials of Apallo series by Rick Riordan
- Heroes of Olympus series by Rick Riordan
- Michael Vey series by Richard Paul Evans
- "The Maze Runner" by James Dashner
- Harry Potter series by J.K. Rowling
- "Cinder" by Marissa Meyer
- Hunger Games series by Suzanne Collins
- "King's Cage" by Victoria Aveyard
- "Allegiant" by Veronica Roth
- "The Heir" by Keira Cass

















Popular Current Checkouts

Fiction Books:

- "The Reckoning" by John Grisham
- "Every Breath" by Nicholas Sparks
- "When We Were Young" by Karen Kingsbury
- "A Most Noble Heir" by Susan Anne Mason
- "Alaskan Holiday" by Debbie Macomber

Non-Fiction Books:

- "In Pieces: a memoir" by Sally Field
- "Christmas Cookie Cutters"
- "Homebody: a Guide to Creating Spaces You Never Want to Leave" by Joanna Gaines
- "Christmas with Southern Living"
- "Challenger" Adult Reading Series by Corea Murphy
- "Whiskey in a Teacup: What Growing Up in the South Taught Me About Life, Love, and Baking Biscuits" by Reese Witherspoon

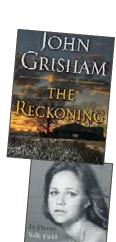
Weather Closing Info

If the following school districts are closed due to inclement weather, all library events will be cancelled. If the school has a delay, then programming will proceed as normal.

Main Library (Bluffton): Bluffton-Harrison School District Ossian Branch: Northern Wells Community Schools

Recent Library Donations

- In memory of Madelyn Clark Anderson
- In memory of Betty Kephart
- In memory of Cletus & Marie Kyle
- In memory of Mark Makowski
- In memory of Betty O'Laverty
- In memory of Edruan Roberts
- Mary Esmond
- James D. German
- John Van Gordon
- Yergy's State Road BBQ





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creativebug

Do you love HGTV? Or Pinterest? Or just crafting in general? Then you are going to love our new online resource called creativebug. With your library card, you'll get free access to more than 1,000 tutories for painting, knitting, crafting, sewing, and more.

To access, you can navigate to it from the library's website in the "Research" menu or go directly there and put in your library card number and pin, which will give you access to the site: http://www.creativebug.com/lib/wellscolibrary



Book Discussions & Events for Adults

Book Discussions

Bluffton: second Thursday of each month at 6:30 pm* (except when noted)

Join us each month for a different book discussion. You can just pick the months where the book looks interesting to you or feel free to join us every month. Pick up a copy of the book at the Main Library prior to the discussion.

Jan. 10 "Same Kind of Different as Me" by Ron Hall and Denver Moore

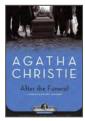
Feb. 21* "The Astronaut Wives Club" by Lily Koppel

Mar. 14 "After the Funeral" by Agatha Christie

Apr. 11 "The Bonesetter's Daughter" by Amy Tan









Brown Bag Book Club

Bluffton: second Monday of each month at 1:30 pm

Jan. 14 Book of Choice

Feb. 11 "I Feel Bad About My Neck" by Nora Ephron

Mar. 11 TBD Apr. 8 TBD

Genealogy Workshops

Bluffton: Thursdays from 6-7 pm in the Board Room on the 2nd floor

Mar. 7 Beginners Genealogy/Genealogy 101

Apr. 4 Court House Records

May 2 DNA Genealogy

Registration appreciated for all genealogy workshops.

Monthly Events

Check out some of our ongoing programs for adults at the Main Library. New members and participants are always welcome. No need to register, just drop in.

Computer Club

January 8, February 12, March 12, and April 9 Bluftton: second Tuesday of the month from 1-2 pm. Bring your computer related questions for help or just listen for assistance on a variety of topics.

iPad Club

January 8, February 12, March 12, and April 9
Blufton: second Tuesday of the month from 2-3 pm.
Learn about apps to use in your everyday life and fun tricks on your iPad. Must bring your own iPad.

Theater Thursday

Bluffton: third Thursday of the month at 10 am

Jan. 17 "Christopher Robin" (PG)

Feb. 21 "Still Alice" (PG-13)

Mar. 21 "The Old Man and the Gun" (PG-13)

Apr. 18 "Ocean's 8" (PG-13)

Adults. Sponsored by Bluffton Regional, Bluffton Parks & Recreation, and the library. *No registration needed.*









Cook, Talk, Taste

March 12 and April 9

Bluffton: second Tuesday of the month from 6-7 pm (except in January and February).

We share food, recipes, and ideas. Drop-in any month. For more information, just ask at the library.

Events for Adults

All events are free. Register for events at the library, online at www.wellscolibrary.org, or call 260-824-1612.

Calming Coloring @ Ossian

Ossian: every Tuesday from 1-3 pm, starts Jan. 8
Adults. Learn the art of relaxation via coloring. Also enjoy a cup of tea, soft music, and soothing scents. All supplies provided or bring your own relaxing craft projects.

Drop-in event.

Let the Games Begin

Bluffton: January 15, February 19, March 19, and April 16 Meets the 3rd Tuesday of each month from 6-8 pm

Ossian: January 31, February 28, March 28, and April 25 Meets the last Thursday of each month from 6-8 pm

Adults. Join us at the for a night of tabletop gaming (board, card, and dice...sorry, no RPGs)! We have expanded this program this year to both of our locations for more gaming fun each month. Don't worry if you don't know the rules—we'll teach you. Snacks & drinks provided. Registration appreciated.

A Blizzard of Books: Winter Reading!

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450,000+ pages as a group then the library will donate 125 books to Kate's Kart, which gives books to hospitalized children. Sign up at the library or online at wellscolibrary.org. *See more Pg. 3.*

Free Tax Help

Bluffton: Mondays, Feb. 4, Feb. 11, Feb. 25, Mar. 4, Mar. 11, Mar. 25, Apr. 1, and Apr. 15 from 9:30 am-3:30 pm Adults. The AARP Foundation Tax-Aide will once again be offering free tax preparation at the Main Library. There are no age or income limits, but this program is very beneficial if you are 50 or older or can't afford paid tax preparation.

They will be staffed with volunteers that are trained and IRS-certified every year. Call the library at 260-824-1612 and ask for the "Reference Desk" to sign-up. You must bring your social security card, last year's tax return, and appropriate tax documents with you to your appointment. There is also a form you will receive when you register that needs to be filled out before the appointment.

From Farm to Fabric

Bluffton: Thursday, February 28: 6:30-8:00 pm Adults. Janel Franks from Liberty Farm & Yarn will talk about the process of how an item goes from farm to mill to dyer to spinner to fabric. This fun program will feature a



Computer and Internet 101

Bluffton: Monday, March 11: 6-8 pm Wednesday, March 13: 6-8 pm Monday, March 18: 6-8 pm

Adults. Three-part, beginning-level computer class that will cover everything from how to turn on the computer, using the mouse and keyboard, working with Windows, and basic computer terminology. You will also learn about using the Internet search engine Google, exploring the library's website, and lots of Internet searching tips and tricks. No computer experience needed. You will use the library's computers during class, so no need to bring your own. *Must be registered to attend.*

Events for Kids and Families

All events are free. Register for events at the library, online at www.wellscolibrary.org, or call 260-824-1612 (Bluffton); 260-622-4691 (Ossian).

SPECIAL EVENTS AT THE MAIN LIBRARY (BLUFFTON):

Block Play Day

Bluffton: Wednesday, January 16: 10 am-6 pm and Tuesday, March 26: 10 am-4 pm Children of all ages. Create a variety of imaginative objects while using blocks. No registration needed—just drop-in.

Discovery Day

Bluffton: Tuesday, January 29: 2-7 pm
Thursday, March 28: 10 am-4 pm
Children of all ages. Stop at different stations to have fun
learning through play in the fields of Science, Technology,
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Crafty Kids

Bluffton: Wednesday, March 27: 10 am-4 pm Children of all ages. Drop-in the Children's Room Craft Area to create a kid-friendly craft. No registration needed.

MONTHLY EVENTS:

Tween Tech

Bluffton: Jan. 3, Feb. 7, Mar. 7, and Apr. 4

Meets the 1st Thursday of the month from 4:00-5:00 pm

Grades 4-6. Enhance your tech skills by using coding, robots, computers, and more! Registration suggested.

Children's Book Clubs:

Grades 1-2 - Bluffton: Jan. 8, Feb. 5, Mar. 5, & Apr. 2 Meets the 1st Tuesday of the month from 6:30-7:30 pm

Grades 3-4 - Bluffton: Jan. 15, Feb. 12, Mar. 12, & Apr. 9 Meets the 2nd Tuesday of the month from 6:30-7:30 pm

Grades 5-6 - Bluffton: Jan. 15, Feb. 12, Mar. 12, & Apr. 9 Meets the 2nd Tuesday of the month from 6:30-7:30 pm

A free book will be available upon registration in each of our book clubs. *Registration required.*

Kids' Club

Bluffton: Meets the third Tuesday of the month 6:30-7:30 pm Grades K-3. Stories, crafts, games, and a chance to make new friends. Registration suggested.



Monthly Themes:

- Jan. 22: Engineering
- Feb. 19: Art
- Mar. 19: Math
- Apr. 16: Maker's Party

JL Crew

Bluffton: Tuesday, Jan. 22, Feb. 19, Mar. 19, and Apr. 16
Meets the third Tuesday of the month 6:30-7:30 pm
Grades 4-6. Discover a new country each month as you collect stamps in your "Passport Around the World." Taste popular foods from some of the countries and then learn about their customs, culture, and games. Registration suggested.

Tail Waggin' Tutors

Bluffton: 1st & 3rd Thursday of the month from 6:30-7:30 pm 2nd & 4th Wednesday of the month from 4-5 pm Children will experience acceptance and increased confidence as they read to Oria, a very patient therapy dog. Registration appreciated, but not required.

SPECIAL EVENTS AT THE OSSIAN BRANCH LIBRARY:

PJ Storytime

Ossian: February 11, March 11, April 8, and May 13 Meets the 2nd Monday of the month from 6:30-7:00 pm Families. Stories, activities, & a craft. Registration suggested.

LEGO Club

Ossian: February 12, March 12, April 9, and May 14 Meets the 2nd Tuesday of each month from 6:30-7:30 pm Grades K-6. Create LEGO masterpieces, using blocks provided by the library. Registration suggested.

Tabletop Games for Kids

Ossian: February 19, March 19, and April 16
Meets the 3rd Tuesday of each month from 6:30-7:30 pm
Grades 1-5. Enjoy a board game night for school-age kids.
Registration suggested.



Discovery Day

Ossian: Wednesday, March 13 and March 27: 10 am-7 pm Children of all ages. Stop at different stations to have fun learning through play in the fields of Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Math. Games, projects, and experiments will be appropriate for preschool through schoolage children. No registration needed—just drop-in.

Crafty Kids

Ossian: February 27, March 27, and April 24
Meets the last Wednesday of each
month from 3:30-5:30 pm
School-age kids are invited to
drop-in for crafts and a snack,
based on a different theme
each month.

Story Sessions

Join us each week for stories, crafts, and activities. Must be registered to attend all story sessions. Registration begins January 21 at 9 am. Programs begin in February.



BLUFFTON STORY SESSIONS:

Wee Read: February 8-March 15

Ages Birth-24 Months (with adult)

Fridays at 10 am

Toddler Time: February 5-April 25 *Ages 2-3 (with adult)*Tuesdays at 9:45 am, Wednesdays at 10 am, or Thursdays at 9:45 am or 6:30 pm

Story Hour: February 5-April 23 *Ages 4-6.* Tuesdays at 10:30 am

OSSIAN STORY SESSIONS:

Wee Read: February 7-April 25 Ages Birth–30 months (with adult) Thursdays at 10:30 am

Winter Storytime: February 6, 12, 20, and 27

Ages 2 1/2- 5 (with adult) Wednesdays at 10:30 am

Spring Storytime: April 3, 10, 17, and 24

Ages 2 1/2- 5 (with adult)

Wednesdays at 10:30 am (registration starts March 18)

Events for Teens - Grades 6-12

Register for events at the library, online at www.wellscolibrary.org, or call 260-824-1612.

Special Events

Cardboard and Cardstock Construction Night

Bluffton: Monday, January 14: 6:00-7:30 pm Grades 6-12. What will you create with cardboard and duct tape or cardstock and crafts supplies? We will provide the cardboard, scissors, duct tape, cardstock, and other craft supplies and you provide the creativity. If you wish to create cardboard armor we will host a pillow fight jousting session at the end. Registration is requested by January 12 for a guaranteed spot in this program.

Chocolate Creations

Bluffton: Monday, February 11: 6:00-7:30 pm Grades 6-12. Just in time for Valentine's Day, come create your very own delicious chocolate treats. We will have the supplies available to make a variety of tasty chocolates that you can give to that special someone or enjoy yourself. Registration is required by February 8 for a guaranteed spot in this program.

March Mystery Mania

Bluffton: Monday, March 11: 6:00-7:30 pm Grades 6-12. Solve the mystery, crack the code, and piece together the puzzle. If you enjoy solving mysteries, codes, or a good puzzle then this evening is for you. Registration is required by February 9 for a guaranteed spot in this program.



After Hours Party

Bluffton: Friday, March 29: 5:30-7:30 pm Grades 4-8. Enjoy a night of Wii on the big screens, games, pizza, snacks, and hide-and seek in the library. This party will be beach themed for all of us who didn't get to go Florida for Spring Break. You must have a permission slip from the library signed by a parent or guardian to attend. Registration is requested so that we have enough snacks and supplies.

Glow-in-the-Dark Party and Easter Egg Hunt

Bluffton: Thursday, April 18: 7:30-9:00 pm Grades 6-12. Join us for an evening of food, fun, and games all with a glow-in-the-dark theme. There will be a glow-in-the-dark Easter Egg hunt and lots of other fun

games and activities. This program starts later than usual so that it will actually be dark out when we are doing part of it. Since this program will take place mostly after the library has closed for the night, you must have a permission



slip from the library signed by a parent or guardian to attend. *Registration is required by April 17 for a guaranteed spot in this program.*

T-shirt Makeover

Bluffton: Monday, May 20: 6:00-7:30 pm Grades 6-12. Create your very own unique T-shirt. We will have lots of different supplies available for creating your own one-of-a-kind T-shirt including fabric paint, tie-dye materials, sharpies, and bleach pens to name a few. All you need to bring is one or more T-shirts that you want to make over and your creativity. Ask your parents first before you bring the T-shirt(s) and wear older clothes just in case you get a little messy. Registration is required by May 18 for a guaranteed spot in this program so sign up today!

Monthly Programs

Teen Book Club

Bluffton: Jan. 3, Feb. 7, Mar. 7, and Apr. 4

Meets the first Thursday of the month from 6:30-7:30 pm

Grades 7-12. Join us for a fun evening discussing the book of the month, enjoying a snack, and participating in related activities.

• January's book: The Best Christmas Pageant Ever

February's book: Slathbog's Gold
March's book: The Juvie Three
April's book: book of your choice

Manga Club

Bluffton: Jan. 7, Feb. 4, March 4, April 1, & May 6 Meets the first Monday of the month from 6:00-7:30 pm Grades 6-12. Discuss the latest Manga books, draw, trade cards, and just have fun.

JL Crew

Bluffton: Jan. 15, Feb. 19, March 19, & April 16 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.

Try it Tuesday

Bluffton: Jan. 29, Feb. 26, Mar. 26, Apr. 30 and May 28 Meets the last Tuesday of the month from 6:30-7:30 pm Grades 6-12. Fun tech activities. Registration appreciated.

- Jan. & Feb.: Bloxels (create your own video game)
- March: Osmo programs
- April: Little Bits snap circuits
- May: Edison robots

Teen Advisory Board (TAB)

Bluffton: Jan. 30, Feb. 27, Mar. 20, Apr. 24 and May 29 Meets the last Wednesday of the month from 6:00-6:45 pm Grades 6-12. Do you need volunteer credit or wish you had a say in teen programming at the library? Join the Teen Advisory Board. You don't need to sign up, just show up for the meetings. Snacks are always provided.

Saturday @ the Movies

Bring pillows and 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 at Bluffton (Main Library).



"Smallfoot" (PG) Ossian: Jan. 12 at 10 am



"Christopher Robin" (PG) Bluffton: Jan. 19 at 10:30 am



"Happy Feet" (PG) Bluffton: Feb. 2 at 10:30 am



"Frozen" (PG) Bluffton: Feb. 9 at 10:30 am



"Sgt. Stubby: an American Hero" (PG) Ossian: Feb. 9 at 10 am



"Smallfoot" (PG) Bluffton: Feb. 16 at 10:30 am



"March of the Penguins" (G) Bluffton: Feb. 23 at 10:30 am



TBA Ossian: Mar. 9 at 10 am



"Greatest Showman" (PG) Bluffton: Mar. 16 at 10:30 am



TBA
Ossian: Apr. 13 at 10 am



"Teen Titans Go! To the Movies" (PG) Bluffton: Apr. 13 at 10:30 am



TBAOssian: May 11 at 10 am



"Sgt. Stubby: an American Hero" (PG) Bluffton: May 18 at 10:30 am

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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

Ossian Branch Library

207 North Jefferson Street

Ossian, Indiana 46777

260-622-4691

Monday—Thursday

9 am to 8 pm

Friday

9 am to 5 pm

Saturday

9 am to Noon

Library Closings:

New Years:

Tuesday, January 1

President's Day:

Monday, February 18

Easter:

Friday, April 19 & Saturday, April 20

Memorial Day:

Saturday, May 25 & Monday, May 27



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