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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 (Labor Day - Memorial Day)  
9 am to 5 pm  
Saturday (Summer)  
9 am to Noon

**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:**  
Monday, January 2

**President's Day:**  
Monday, February 20

**Easter:**  
Friday, April 14  
Saturday, April 15



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**T E E N Zone**

Wells County Public Library Teen News

January-May 2017



**A BLIZZARD**  
*of books*



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# Events for Teens - Grades 6-12

All events are free and open to any young adult in grades 6-12 and held at the Main Library in Bluffton (unless otherwise noted in the event listing). Register for events at the library, online at [www.wellscolibrary.org](http://www.wellscolibrary.org), or call 260-824-1612.

## Special Events

### A Blizzard of Books: Winter Reading!

*Bluffton and Ossian: February 1-28*  
All ages. Participate in Winter Reading. If you read 300 pages or more than you get a coupon for a free Blizzard from Dairy Queen. If we can read more than 250,000+ pages as a group than the library will donate 100 books to Kate's Kart, which gives books to hospitalized children. Sign up at the library or online at [wellscolibrary.org](http://wellscolibrary.org).

### Chocolate Creations

*Bluffton: Monday, February 13: 6:00-7:30 pm*  
*Grades 6-12.* Join us for an evening of creating delicious chocolates. We will be making an assortment of chocolates including buckeyes and chocolate turtles, just in time for Valentine's Day or eat them all yourself. Each teen will take home a box of the chocolates they create. *Register by Feb. 9 for a guaranteed spot in this program.*

### Escape Room: Teen Library Edition

*Bluffton: Thursday, March 16: 6:00-7:30 pm*  
*Grades 6-12.* In teams of 4-8 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 March 15 for a guaranteed spot in this program. Space is limited!*



### After-Hours Party

*Bluffton: Friday, April 7: 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. You must have a permission slip from the library signed by a parent or guardian to attend. *Registration is required for a guaranteed spot in this program.*

### Blast to the Past Games

*Bluffton: Tuesday, April 25: 6:00-7:30 pm*  
*Grades 6-12.* Join us for a night of fun as we play games from the past ranging from games played by the pioneers like "Graces" all the way up to the Atari games and the original NES Mario Brothers that your parents probably played when they were your age. Snacks will also be served.



Register by April 24 for a guaranteed spot in this program.

### Cut Throat Kitchen: Rise and Shine Library Edition

*Bluffton: Tuesday, May 23: 5:30-7:30 pm*  
*Grades 6-12.* If you've seen the show then you have an idea of what awaits you in the library's version of this crazy culinary challenge program. Teens will be working in teams to create a culinary masterpiece in a limited amount of time. They will also be given a set amount of "money" and for each round there will be several sabotages auctioned off that you can force your opponents to deal with while cooking, if you win the auction. It will be a little bit different from the show. Instead of being eliminated, the lowest scoring team for each round will not receive any of the bonus "money" that the other three teams receive to help them in the next round's bidding war. All of the foods will be breakfast themed and have a related literary sabotage for you to force your opponents to deal with if you win the

## Monthly Programs

### Manga Club

*Bluffton: Jan. 9, Feb. 6, March 6, April 3, & May 1*  
*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. 17, Feb. 21, March 21, & April 18*  
*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.*

### Teen Advisory Board (TAB)

*Bluffton: Jan. 25, Feb. 22, March 29, April 26, & May 31*  
*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. We usually meet in the board room or the staff room on the second floor. Snacks are always provided.

## Program Cancellation Info

If the following school districts are closed due to inclement weather, all programs 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

## NextReads Newsletters

Sign-up to receive reading recommendations specifically for teens that are hand-picked by our library staff and the award-winning book experts at NovelList. Go to the library's website and click on NextReads Newsletters at the bottom or go directly to the signup page at [www.libraryaware.com/1702/Subscribers/Subscribe](http://www.libraryaware.com/1702/Subscribers/Subscribe) or simply ask a librarian to help you sign up. You'll want to make sure you select "Teen Scene" to get teen books.

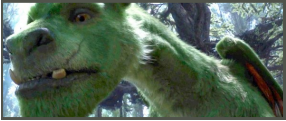
## Saturday @ the Movies

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).



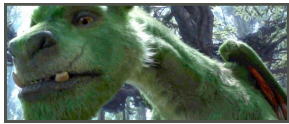
"Finding Dory" (PG)

Ossian: Jan. 14 at 10 am



"Pete's Dragon" (PG)

Bluffton: Feb. 18 at 2 pm



"Pete's Dragon" (PG)

Ossian: February 11 at 10 am



"The Secret Life of Pets" (PG)

Bluffton: March 18 at 2 pm



"The Secret Life of Pets" (G)

Ossian: March 11 at 10 am



"Trolls" (PG)

Bluffton: April 22 at 2 pm



TBA

Ossian: April 8 at 10 am



"Moana" (G)

Bluffton: May 13 at 2 pm



TBA

Ossian: May 13 at 10 am

*Programs sponsored by the  
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