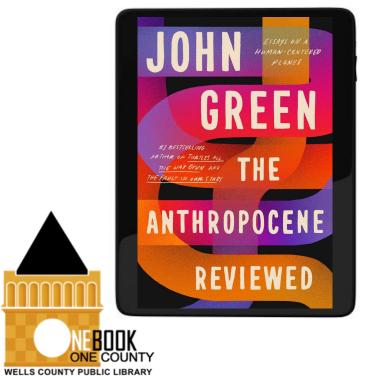
## The **BOOK** Report

## Wells County Public Library News

## One Book One County 2023



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## Children's Book Festival

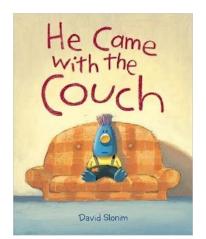
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## One Book One County

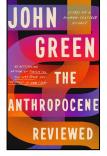


## One Book One County

Adults: One Book One County is a community read program for Wells County held in September and

October every year. The program is designed to create a countywide discussion by encouraging all residents to read the same book. This year's title is "The Anthropocene Reviewed: Essays on a Human-Centered Planet" by John Green.





Check out a copy at the library or on Libby! About the Book: "The Anthropocene is the current geologic age, in which humans have profoundly reshaped the planet and its biodiversity. In this remarkable symphony of essays, bestselling author John Green reviews different facets of the humancentered planet on a five-star scale—from the QWERTY keyboard and sunsets to Canada geese and Penguins of Madagascar. Funny, complex, and rich with detail, the reviews chart the contradictions of contemporary humanity... *The Anthropocene Reviewed* is an open-hearted exploration of the paths we forge and an unironic celebration of falling in love with the world." - *book jacket* 

Events for this program have been made possible through donations from the Friends of the Library.

## **Star Review Giveaway**

Bluffton and Ossian: Each full week during September and October you can fill out a form and give a one to five star rating to various topics including the Internet, Super Mario Kart, velociraptors, and more that were reviewed in John Green's "The Anthropocene Reviewed." We will see how Wells County feels about the same fun topics as a group. For each week you vote, you'll receive an entry into a prize drawing for a gift basket featuring items inspired by the book. Limit one vote/entry per week.



## **Book Discussions**

Bluffton: Monday, October 9: 1:30 pm Bluffton: Thursday, October 12: 6:30 pm Adults. Join us for a book chat about the One Book One County title "The Anthropocene Reviewed" by John Green. This is part of our regular Brown Bag Book Club and Thursday-night Book Discussions.

## Also available on Libby

Books can be checked out from the library or get the eBook and eAudiobook on the Libby app or at idl.overdrive.com.



## **One Book One County Featured Events**



## Hot Dogs Around the World

Bluffton: Wednesday, September 13: 6:30-7:30 pm Adults. Enjoy taste-testing several fancy hotdogs from around the world and give each one a rating from one to five stars. A special focus will be on Icelandic hotdogs as featured in "The Anthropocene Reviewed." Also, learn more about Iceland while tasting a piece of its culture. Registration required. Sign up at the library, online at wellscolibrary.org, or call 260-824-1612 (Bluffton).

## **Musiclectics Concert**

Bluffton: Wednesday, October 11: 6:30-7:30 pm All ages. Members from the Musiclectics will be singing and performing in the main part of the library, as part of a One Book One County celebration. Listen to songs inspired by the book title that will be sure to get you moving and possibly singing along, as well as, a few brief excepts from the book. Registration appreciated.



## Partial Eclipse Viewing

Bluffton: Saturday, October 14: 10:30 am-noon School-age kids, teens, and adults. Star\*Quest Observatory Co-director, Laura Ainslie, will provide a brief talk about eclipses and then help attendees make a shoebox viewer that can be used during the program to view the partial solar eclipse, as well as, during the total solar eclipse that will be visible in our area in April 2024. Then step outside to view the partial eclipse with the shoebox viewer and a variety of other equipment. Please bring an empty shoe box or cereal box with you for this activity. Registration required.

## Teen Haute Dogs

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## **Guided Tree Trail Hike**

Bluffton: Tuesday, October 17: 6 pm School-age kids, teens, and adults. Join us at Ouabache State Park for a guided hike with park staff, along the Tree Trail to learn about the trees of Indiana and enjoy the leaves changing colors. It's approximately a 1.5 mile nice/easy trail hike, so dress accordingly. Meet at the Trailsend Shelter/parking lot by 6 pm. If you don't have a park pass, let the gate know and we will pay the entry fee for you to get in the park for the hike, courtesy of the Friends of the Library. Registration required.



## Summer Reading Recap

Thank you to everyone that participated in our 2023 Summer Reading Program and a special congratulations to our children, teens, and adults that completed the program and helped us reached our community reading goals. With your help, lots of wonderful books were read. Just how many?

- *Birth to 24 months:* 98 of our youngest library patrons completed a total of 1,800 activities.
- *Kids:* 1,395 children ages 2-grade 6 read for 497,880 minutes.
- *Teens:* 267 teen participants in grades 6-12 read 628,400 pages.
- *Adults:* between the 576 adults participating, there were 1,514,704 pages read!

Great job everyone! That's a lot of books! As a reward the children that finished the program got to attend a special pool party and all other age groups enjoyed parties of their own. Make sure to check out all the Summer Reading Program sponsors and finishers in the newsletter insert.

## **To-Go Kits**

Contain supplies for a fun craft or activity and available while supplies last during the month listed. Pick up at the Information Desk (2nd floor at the Main Library) or the Ossian Branch.

- September 1: Anthropocene Reviewed (in conjunction with One Book One County)
- October 1: Paper strip Cat Art
- November 1: Gratitude Garland
- December 1: Hot Chocolate Bomb



## Most Read Books

#### Fiction:

- "The 23rd Midnight" by James Patterson and Maxine Paetro
- "Simply Lies" by David Baldacci
- "The Happiness Plan" by Susan Mallery
- "The Five-Star Weekend" by Elin Hilderbrand
- "Dreamland" by Nicholas Sparks
- "Cross Down" by James Patterson & Brendan DuBois
- "All the Days of Summer" by Nancy Thayer
- "The Woman in Cabin 10" by Ruth Ware
- "Where are the Children Now?" by Mary Higgins Clark and Alafair Burke
- "The Wedding Planner" by Danielle Steel

#### Non-fiction:

- "Magnolia Table, Volume 3: A Collection of Recipes for Gathering" by Joanna Gaines
- "Wanda E. Brunstetter's Amish Friends No Waste Cookbook" by Wanda E. Brunstetter
- "This Old Tractor: A Treasury of Vintage Tractors and Family Farm Memories" by Michael Dregni
- "Spare" by Prince Harry
- "Slavery in the Modern World: A History of Political, Social, and Economic Oppression" by Junius P. Rodriguez
- "The Perfect Scoop: 200 Recipes for Ice Creams, Sorbets, Gelatos, Granitas, and Sweet Accompaniments" by David Lebovitz
- "Paula Deen's Southern Cooking Bible"

Fall Book Sale Used books, movies, audio books, DVDs, & more.

Hours: October 24: 5-8 pm (Friends only preview). Memberships are available at the door.

October 25-28: open during library hours | Sponsored by The Friends of the Library.

## **New Movies**

Each month find the new movie releases on a sign by our New Release section at the Main Library (Bluffton).

#### August 1:

- As About My Father (PG-13)
- Are You Afraid of the Dark? Ghost Island
- Guardians of the Galaxy : Vol. 3 (PG-13)
- Infinite (PG-13)

#### August 8:

• 1923 : A Yellowstone Story (TV-MA)

#### August 15:

- Blackberry (R)
- Hotel Transylvania : Transformania (PG)
- The Machine
- Monster High the Movie (TV-PG)
- Nefarious (R)

#### August 22:

- The Blackening (R)
- You Hurt My Feelings ®

#### August 29:

- The Flash (PG-13)
- No Hard Feelings (R)

## Cake Pans & Cookie Cutters

We are continually adding to our Cake Pan and Cookie Cutter collection. Check them out in their new location by the board games in the middle part of the library. Cake pans that will be coming soon include: football, muffin/cupcake, pony/unicorn, bundt, springform, game controller, and a fluted tube pan. New cookie cutters include: Hawaiian themed, dinosaurs, and woodland.





## Memory Kits and Puzzles

The library is now offering six different Memory Kits that include books, puzzles, memory activities, and info for caregivers of those experiencing Alzheimer's or other types of dementia. Check them out for seven days at a time from either the Ossian Branch or the Main Library (Bluffton). The kits have different themes, including:

- Farm
- 1950s
- Birds/butterflies
- Dogs
- Travel
- Beach



Throughout the month of November, along with our regularly scheduled game programs and activities (teen gaming, bingo, golden gamers, the Switch/Oculus check outs from the Teen Zone and Information Desk), we will be offering a number of gaming opportunities in the library. There will be a different yard game and board game set out each week, as well as, an opportunities to pick up To-Go Kits with games you can do at home with friends and family.

## **Special & Monthly Events**

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

#### **Genealogy/Local History Club**

Bluffton: Sep. 7, Oct. 5, and Nov. 2 Meets the first Thursday of the month from 5:00-6:30 pm Ages 12+. Members help each other, learn new things, and obtain a greater appreciation for local history and genealogy research. Bring your own laptop or share one of ours. Registration appreciated.

#### **Bingo with Jason**

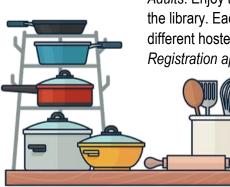
Bluffton: Sep. 11, Oct. 2, Nov. 6, and Dec. 4 Meets the first Monday of the month from 3:00-4:30 pm Adults. Enjoy a lively game of Bingo with everyone's favorite librarian named Jason! Registration required.



Bluffton: Sep. 12, Oct. 10, Nov. 14, and Dec. 12 Meets the second Tuesday of the month. Computer Club is from 1-2 pm and then iPad Club is from 2-3 pm Adults. Bring your computer or tablet-related questions for help or just listen for assistance on a variety of topics. Bring your own computer, iPad, or use ours. All skill levels welcome. Registration appreciated.

#### Cook, Talk, Taste

Bluffton: Sep. 12, Oct. 10, Nov. 14, and Dec. 12 Meets the second Tuesday of the month from 6-7 pm



Adults. Enjoy the tastiest club at the library. Each month will be a



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- Sep. 25 **Book Nooks**
- Oct. 30 Leaf Painting Hanging Decor
- **Book Page Wreaths** Nov. 27
- Dec. 18 Lotion Bars

Adults and Teens. Create or try out a new craft or project each month. All supplies provided. Registration required.

#### **Golden Gamers**

Bluffton: Sep. 26, Oct. 24, Nov. 28, and Dec. 19 Meets the fourth Tuesday of the month from 3-5 pm Adults. Are you bored? Do you need some social interaction? Come and enjoy two hours of socializing, games, and snacks. Registration appreciated.

#### **Theater Thursday**

Bluffton: Third Thursday of each month at 10 am

- "Dog" (PG-13) Sep. 28
- Oct. 19 "Uncharted" (PG-13)
- "Fatherhood" (PG-13) Nov. 16
- Dec. 21 "Last Christmas" (PG-13)

Adults. Enjoy a movie, popcorn, and refreshments. Sponsored by Bluffton Parks & Recreation and the Friends of the Library. Registration appreciated.



## Craft Club

Bluffton: Tuesday, Oct. 17 and Nov. 21 from 1:30-3:00 pm Adults. For knit wits, knotty crocheters and those embracing embroidery, quilting, or paper crafts. If you do any craft and would like a space to work on your project, see what the library has available for new ideas and chat with other crafters this is your opportunity. Bring a current travel-size project and your materials and work on your projects while others work on their own. Exchange ideas and skills to keep that "to be done" project pile growing. Drop-in event.

## Trivia Night @ The Parlor City Brewing Company

Sunday, October 22: 5:00-6:30 pm Adults (21+). Grab a team of up to four people and test your knowledge on a variety of subjects, from pop culture, academic decathlon topics, science, history, and other trivia categories. Prizes awarded; space is limited. Sign up at the library or online at wellscolibrary.org.

#### Intro to Food Preserving

Bluffton: Tuesday, November 7: 6:30-7:30 pm Adults. Do you have an interest in preserving your own food? Whitney McBride will be giving us an introduction to freezing, freeze drying, dehydrating, and vacuum sealing foods. Join us ahead of this holiday season to prep or store some of your holiday goodies! *Registration appreciated*.

## **Ossian Branch Events**

Register at the library, online at wellscolibrary.org, or call 260-622-4691.

## Calming Coloring @ Ossian

Ossian: Tuesdays from 1-3 pm Adults. Stress-busting afternoon featuring adult coloring in a restful setting with soft music and the soothing scent of lavender. Drop-in program.



#### Cooking Basics By the Book

Ossian: Meets the first Tuesday of the month from 6-7 pm Adults. Focus on a different cookbook each month and make an easy recipe to taste. *Registration required*.

- Oct. 3 Charcuterie Boards
- Nov. 7 Cheesecake
- Dec. 5 Christmas Candies

#### Board Game Night

Ossian: Oct. 19, Nov. 16, and Dec. 21 Meets the third Thursday of the month from 6-8 pm Adults (18+). Join us at the Ossian Branch for a night of tabletop games. *Registration appreciated, but not required.* 

#### **Parlor City Christmas**

*Bluffton: Saturday, December 9 All ages.* You don't want to miss this event in downtown Bluffton, which will include a Goodie Walk, carriage rides, trolley rides, wood sculptures, musical entertainment, and more. Fun for the whole family.



## **Book Discussions**

#### **Brown Bag Book Club**

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

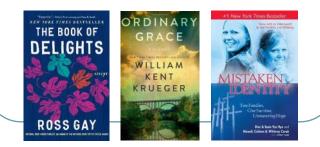
Sep. 11	"Shantyboat: A River Way of Life"
	by Harlan Hubbard
Oct. 9	"The Anthropocene Reviewed" by
	John Green (One Book One County title)

- Nov. 13 "The Book of Delights" by Ross Gay
- Dec. 11 "Ordinary Grace" by William Kent Krueger

#### **General Book Discussions**

*Bluffton:* Second Thursday of each month at 6:30 pm Pick up a copy of the book at the Main Library prior to the discussion.

- Sep. 14 "Mistaken Identity: Two Families, One Survivor, Unwavering Hope" by Don VanRyn
- Oct. 12 "The Anthropocene Reviewed" by John Green (One Book One County title)
- Nov. 9 "The Lincoln Highway" by Amor Towles
- Dec. 14 "Skipping Christmas" by John Grisham



## **Events for Kids and Families**



## Children's Book Festival

Bluffton: Saturday, Oct. 7: 9 am-4 pm

#### FREE EVENT

Award-winning musician and author Jim Gill will perform many of his signature songs for our young attendees. Author Shannon Anderson will give a general presentation about her books and creative process and then a writing workshop later in the day, while author and illustrator David Slonim will be offering two drawing workshops

for our young attendees. Everyone in the family is invited to attend.

There will also be carnival games, a bounce house and inflatable obstacle course, food trucks down Washington Street selling food, balloon animals, local authors, and appearances by Elephant & Piggie. Attendees might win an autographed book or CD that day!

Sponsored by the Virginia Gene **LIBRARY** Neuenschwander Youth Fund from the Wells County Foundation, the Friends of the Library, Wabash Endowment, Gay Saunders, and local schools and PTOs.







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Illustrator David Slonim







Carnival Games, Moonbounce, Balloon Animals

Appearances by Elephant & Piggie

Food Trucks -(Uncle Matt's BBQ Shack, Kenzie's Coneys, The Big Dipper)

## Schedule of Events

9:00 am	Doors open - Meet Elephant & Piggie
9:00 am-	Carnival games, bounce house/obstacle
3:30 pm	course, and book/CD give-a-ways
9:30 am	Jim Gill performance
10:30 am	David Slonim drawing workshop
11 am-2 pm	Balloon animals, local authors, food trucks
11 am	Elephant & Piggie meet-and-greet
11:30 am	Shannon Anderson presentation
12:15 pm	Local author readings
12:30 pm	Storywalk tour
1:00 pm	Jim Gill performance
1:45 pm	Elephant & Piggie meet-and-greet
2:00 pm	Shannon Anderson writing workshop
3:00 pm	David Slonim drawing workshop
	Schedule is subject to change.



Ballerina Storytime Bluffton: Saturday, September 16: 10:30 am

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*All ages.* Enjoy a special ballerina-themed storytime with special guests from the Creative Arts. *Registration requested.* 

All events are free. If an event states that registration is required, you can sign up at the library, online at wellscolibrary.org, or call 260-824-1612 (Bluffton) or 260-622-4691 (Ossian).

#### **Children's Book Clubs**

Books available for pick-up when you register. **Grades 1-2** - Bluffton: Oct. 3, Nov. 7, and Dec. 5 Meets the 1st Tuesday of the month from 6:30-7:30 pm **Grades 3-4** - Bluffton: Oct. 10, Nov. 14, and Dec. 12 Meets the 2nd Tuesday of the month from 6:30-7:30 pm **Grades 5-6** - Bluffton: Oct. 12, Nov. 9, and Dec. 14 Meets the 2nd Thursday of the month from 6:30-7:30 pm

**Kids' Club** *Bluffton: Oct. 17, Nov. 21, and Dec. 19 Meets the 3rd Tuesday of the month from 6:30-7:30 pm Grades K-3.* Book-related crafts, stories, games, and a chance to make new friends. *Registration requested.* 

#### Club 456

Bluffton: 3rd Thursday of the month from 6:30-7:30 pm Grades 4-6. Come participate in creative activities including STEM projects, escape rooms, fun in the kitchen, and more! Meets early in Sep. due to Street Fair. *Registration requested*.

- Sep. 14: Keeper of the Lost Cities Escape Room
- Oct. 19: Pumpkin Carving
- Nov. 16: DIY Pop-Up Book
- Dec. 21: DIY Play-Doh

Saturday Movies Bluffton: Saturdays at 11 am

 All ages. Family-friendly movies in the Story Hour Room.
Sep. 9: "Paws of Fury" (PG) | Oct. 21: "Penguins of Madagascar" (PG) | Nov. 18: "Hugo" (PG)
Dec. 16: "Polar Express" (G)

#### OSSIAN BRANCH

**Crafty Kids** Ossian: Sep. 11, Oct. 9, Nov. 13, Dec. 11 Meets the 2nd Monday of the month from 3:30-5:30 pm Grades K-6. Drop-in for a craft and snack.

**LEGO Drop-in** Ossian: Sep. 26, Oct. 24, & Nov. 28 Meets the 4th Tuesday of the month from 4-7 pm Grades K-6. Create LEGO masterpieces using the library's blocks during this drop-in event. No registration needed.

#### **Bingo for School-age Kids**

Ossian: Wednesday, October 18: 10:30-11:30 am and Saturday, November 11: 10:30-11:30 am Grades K-6. Enjoy Bingo for candy. Registration required.

#### **Preschool Stuffed Animal Party**

Ossian: Thursday, November 9: 6:30-7:30 pm Preschool-age. Bring a stuffed animal. Registration required.

## **Story Sessions**

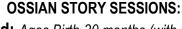
Join us each week for stories, fingerplays, and activities. Must be registered to attend all story sessions. **Registration starts Sept. 25 at the library and online at wellscolibrary.org.** Sessions start the week of Oct. 9.

#### **BLUFFTON STORY SESSIONS:**

Wee Read: Ages Birth-24 Months (with adult) Tuesdays at 9:30 am

**Toddler Time:** Ages 2-3 (with adult) Tuesdays at 10:30 am; Wednesdays at 9:45 am, or Thursdays at 9:45 am

**Story Hour:** *Ages 4-6* Wednesdays or Thursdays at 10:30 am



**Wee Read:** Ages Birth-30 months (with adult) Thursdays at 10:30 am

**Storytime:** Ages 2 1/2-Pre K (with adult) Tuesdays at 10:30 am

> Stop by our **StoryWalks®** at Pickett's Run Park in Bluffton or Archbold Wilson Park in Ossian. Also, join our **1,000 Books Before Kindergarten** program to help prepare your younger children for school and life-long learning.

## **Special Events**

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

#### **Teen Advisory Board (TAB)**

Bluffton: Aug. 30, Sep. 27, Oct. 25, Nov. 29, and Dec. 27 Meets the last Wednesday of the month from 6:00-6:45 pm Grades 6-12. Do you wish you had a say in Teen Programming at the Library? Do you need volunteer credit? Join the Teen Advisory Board. You don't need to sign up, just show up for the meetings. Snacks are always provided. We hope to see you there!

#### **Teen Gaming Club**

Bluffton: Sep. 11, Oct. 2, Nov. 6, and Dec. 4 Meets the first Monday of the month from 6-7 pm Grades 6-12. Bring your own device or play the library's provided console on the big screen! Gaming Club is also open to trading card games and board games. September will be a Mario Kart tournament.

#### Mario Kart Tournament

Bluffton: Monday, Sep. 11: 6-7 pm Grades 6-12. The September Teen Gaming Club meeting will be a special Mario Kart Tournament in collaboration with our One Book One County program. Join us as you compete against others to determine the champion of Mario Kart. Registration appreciated.



#### **Drawing 101 with Linden**

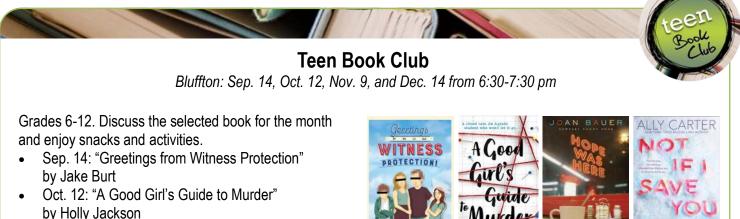
Bluffton: Thursday, September 28: 6:30-7:30 pm Grades 6-12. Have you ever noticed Linden's amazing "doodles" at the Teen Desk and thought, "Wow, I wish I could do that?" Now you can! Come learn some drawing tips and practice your own style in this program meant for artists of every level. Registration appreciated.





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- Nov. 9: "Hope Was Here" by Joan Bauer
- Dec. 14: "Not if I Save You First" by Ally Carter





#### Ninja November

Bluffton: Tuesday, November 14: 6:00-8:00 pm Grades 6-12. For one night the Teen Zone will be transformed into a ninja's dojo! Practice your precision with ninja star throwing and show off your agility in the training course. Hone your combat skills with Chambara on the Switch and Fruit Ninja on the Oculus Quest 2. Make your own ninja gear as well with some crafts! Drop-in event. No registration needed.

## **Ossian Branch Events**

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#### **Teen Food Fun**

Ossian: 2nd Thursday of the month from 3-4 pm

*Grades 6-12.* Get hands-on experience creating interesting and fun treats. *Drop-in event, no registration needed* 

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Sep. 14	Making Boba				
	and Rootbeer				
Oct. 12	Fall Snacks				
Nov. 9	Turkey Treats				
Dec. 14	Christmas				
	Cookies				



## **Try It Nights**

Bluffton: last Monday of the month from 6:30-7:30 pm



#### Design It & Mix It

Bluffton: Tuesday, December 5: 6:30-7:30 pm Grades 6-12. Transform a blank coffee mug, giving it a design or illustration of your own. Mix your own hot chocolate batch from delectable options. Give as a gift this holiday season or keep it for those cozy winter days. *Registration required to make sure there are enough supplies for everyone.* 



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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:**

Labor Day: Saturday, Sept. 2 and Monday, Sept. 4 (closed)

In-Service and Street Fair Closure: Main Library (Bluffton): Sept. 18 (close at 5 pm) and Sept. 19-23 (closed) Ossian Branch: Sept. 20-21 (closed)

Thanksgiving: Wednesday, Nov. 22 (close at 5 pm) Thurs., Nov. 23 and Friday, Nov. 24 (closed)

Christmas: Dec. 23-26 (closed) New Year's Day: Jan. 1



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## 2023 Summer Reading Program All Together Now @ the library!

Congratulations to the children, teens, and adults who joined in the fun and successfully completed the 2023 Summer Reading Program at the Wells County Public Library!



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