

Upcoming Events

General Events

November 11th—Library closed for Veterans Day.

November 21st—Downtown Christmas Stroll, 4-8pm

November 27th—Library closes at 5pm.

November 28th & 29th—Library closed for Thanksgiving.

Children's Events

November 7th—StoryART, 10:30am-Noon & 1:30-3pm

November 9th—Super Sensational Saturday, 10am-Noon

November 14th—Storytime, 10:30am-Noon & 1:30-3pm

November 16th—Communities Together Can! Program, Time TBA

November 21st—StoryART, 10:30am-Noon & 1:30-3pm

Teen Events

November 6th—Cubee Craft, 3-4:30pm

November 13th—Pictionary, 3-4:30pm

November 20th—Old School Craft Day—Draw a Turkey, 3-4:30pm

Adult Events

November 7th—Book Club, "A Tree Grows in Brooklyn" by Betty Smith, 7pm

November 12th—Tech Tuesday, 6-8pm

See our Facebook Page for all the latest news on programs and events.

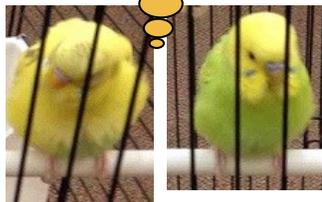
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BIRD NAMES CHOSEN!

Over the last few weeks, our library Facebook page has been hosting a naming contest for the three parakeets that reside in the Children's Room at the Library. Suggestions included Clifford, Arthur & Olivia; Huey, Dewey & Louie; and Wynken, Blynken & Nod. The votes have been counted and the results are in!



JOIN US FOR THE DOWNTOWN STROLL

Columbus Public Library will be participating in the Downtown Christmas Stroll on November 21st. Please join us for this great event and take part in a special StoryWalk Event. There will be plenty of fun activities from 4-8pm in Downtown Columbus. Make sure and include a stop at your library to take part in the festivities.



COMMUNITIES TOGETHER CAN...

Beginning Saturday, November 16th, the Columbus Public Library will be partnering with the Communities Together Can!

program to bring monthly events designed for parents and children to the library. These programs will be offered one Saturday a month. Pre-registration will be required, and programs will include a speaker, meal, and childcare. Sessions will be presented by professionals in the area and topics will deal with social and emotional topics such as bullying and self-esteem. Translation for non English speaking families will also be

available. Most sessions will include separate activities for parents and children, as well as a time for the whole family to come together. These monthly events will be free to all who wish to attend and open to anyone, including current after-school program participants. For more information about this program, including registration details, please contact Mr. H., Children's Librarian at (402) 564-7116, option 4, or bhruska@columbusne.us, or Lia Grant, Extension Assistant at (402) 563-8001, or lgrant2@unl.edu.



HOLIDAY ISSUE

The Columbus Public Library Connection Newsletter will be issuing a joint December/January Issue the beginning of December. Please watch for this special holiday issue from us next month. Beginning February 2014 we will resume our normal monthly schedule. We hope you have enjoyed these first few issues, and look forward to providing you with more Columbus Public Library news.



LIBRARY BOARD WELCOMES LORI NEID

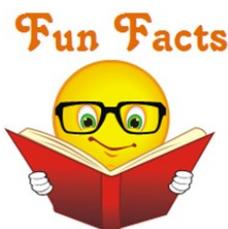
On October 21st, Lori Neid was appointed to the Columbus Public Library Board. She is a regular patron of the library and has served on numerous boards around Columbus, including the Friends of the Library, and City Tree Board. She represents Central Community College on the Platte County Convention and Visitors Bureau. She is anxious to serve on the Library Board because she believes libraries are vital to the health and intellectual well-being of a community. Lori is the Extended Learning Services Regional Director at Central Community College in Columbus. She is married to Craig Neid, a former Library Board member, and has two children. We look forward to her service to the library and Board in the coming years.



FUN NEBRASKA LIBRARY FACTS

Here are some fun facts about Nebraska Public Libraries:

- More than half of all Nebraska Public Libraries offer e-book lending.
- More than 60% of Nebraska Libraries connect to their communities on social networking sites.
- Nebraska Public Libraries have over 1 million registered library users.
- Over 85% of Nebraska Public Libraries provide technology training for the public.



GENEALOGY RESOURCES AVAILABLE @ YOUR LIBRARY

Have you ever taken the opportunity to research your family history? If not, now is the perfect time to start! As you gather with family during the holiday season, ask your family members for interesting facts they know about previous generations, and start taking down information to build your own family tree. If you are stuck, and want to learn more about your family tree, Columbus Public Library has resources that can help you discover new things about your family. Many of our resources are available online so you can access them at home, while others are available in the library.

We have four major databases that can be used for genealogy research. World Vital



Records, one of our newest database offerings was featured in our September 2013 Library Connection Newsletter. It provides access to over five billion family history and genealogy records, and 28 million family trees. Records also include the US Census records to 1940 and one million newspaper pages. Check out this latest offering at home with your library card or at the library. Heritage Quest, available to



Nebraska residents through NebraskaAccess

is another great resource for those seeking to uncover their family tree. Available both at home and at the library, it provides access to a

FUN AT NEBRASKA LIBRARY ASSOCIATION CONFERENCE

Several of our staff members attended the Nebraska Library Association conference in Kearney, October 9-11th. While some of our time was spent in training sessions, learning about new things to help our libraries. There was also plenty of fun to be had. One of our own, Mr. H, helped present the Mad Hatter award to Mary Matuszewski of Sump Memorial Library in Papillion for her outstanding work in youth services.



collection of genealogical and historical sources—with coverage dating back to the 1700s—that can help people find their ancestors and discover a place's past. It includes U.S. Census data from 1790-1940, over seven million pages of digitized local and family history, Revolutionary War records, Freedman's Bank Records and the Periodical Source Index (PERSI) Archive from 1800-2009. Our third genealogy research database, Ancestry



Library Edition is currently only available in the library for patrons to search their family history.

Our final research database, America's Newspapers, provides access to many local and national newspapers and can be searched for obituaries both at home and at the library.

There are also plenty of local resources available at the library and in Platte County. The library provides access to a microfilm reader that can be used to look up local history and obituaries. The library also has a collection of local history books. Visit our website under "E-Services," then "Genealogy" for helpful links to all online resources and local genealogy groups that may be able to help you find out more information about your family tree.

