



The Pilgrims' first Thanksgiving feast after they settled Plymouth Colony, Massachusetts in 1621 occurred some time between Sept. 21st and Nov. 1st. It lasted three days and included 50 surviving Pilgrims and approximately 90 Wampanoag Indians, including Chief Massasoit. The menu consisted of berries, shellfish, boiled pumpkin, and deer.

## Libraries & Ideas

Last year I attended a Data Management in Libraries meeting in Denver, Colorado. The keynote was given by Dr. Carly Strasser who is currently working for the California Digital Library as a data curation specialist. So, how can libraries support research by managing data? In the case of large academic libraries the possibilities for curation are endless. There are research projects happening everywhere all of the time. Libraries are in a perfect position to store, curate, standardize formats, and provide access to electronic data.

It got me thinking, what do these structures and technologies mean for a medium-sized public library? If we imagine our library in 100 years we can easily see that our town's collection will be enormous.

What if it were limitless in scope? What if we could make our collection infinite? I think we can!

Let's think about cost. Amazon is currently offering the storage rates that are very reasonable. If we imagine the collection of the Pitkin County Library as a digital body it would be very small. Taking into account that a library is always growing, today the library has 108,233 books. So, without considering music and movies, our digitized library would be roughly 325GB. Over 100 years it would cost a mere \$325 to store our collection. What does that mean? If libraries are able to secure access to digital items, an infinitely large library is not out of the question! A big, meaningful step toward making this type of information structure tenable just emerged from the Author's

Guild VS HathiTrust case. On October 10, 2012, Judge Harold Baer of the U.S. District Court in New York ruled in favor of the HathiTrust Digital Library (HDL) and its university partners in a copyright infringement suit brought by the Authors Guild (AG) and other groups. In his ruling, the judge dismissed the AG's arguments that the HathiTrust had violated copyright law by making scanned works available for certain uses. The 2012 decision was recently upheld on appeal. So, when you think of a library in 100, 300, or 500 years, imagine a beautiful building with spaces for discussion and contemplation and creation sitting atop an endless ocean of resources.

Still, it's just so nice to pick up a hardback, put your feet up, and read, so let's be sure to imagine that future too. Maybe it will mean on demand publishing at the library!

Drew Brookhart, Library Director

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Children have been busy painting, coloring, and gluing all kinds of crafts in the Children's Room. Mr. H had kids creating fun projects for Halloween, including paper plate ghosts, pumpkin patch pudding cups, and monster faces. With Thanksgiving coming up, you can count on more entertaining holiday art projects. Check out the schedule for the activities

planned through the end of November. We will also have a book raffle on November 25th for our Word Warriors program, so kids in 2nd-5th grades keep reading and entering your tickets.

### Story ART

**10:30 a.m.-Noon & 1:30 p.m.-3:00p.m.**

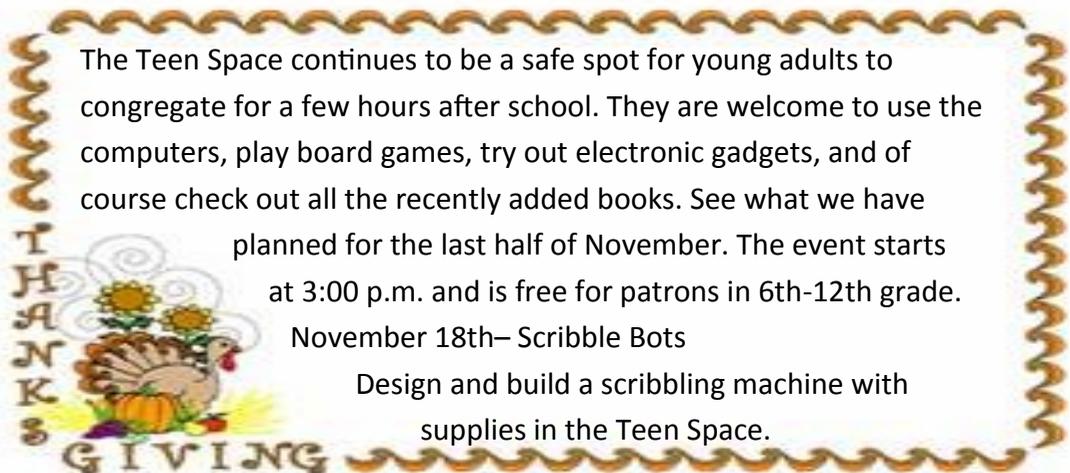
November 19th– Thanksgiving

### Monday Night Book Adventures

**6:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m.**

November 23rd– Thanksgiving

There will be stories about Thanksgiving, crafts, and yummy bedtime snacks!



The Teen Space continues to be a safe spot for young adults to congregate for a few hours after school. They are welcome to use the computers, play board games, try out electronic gadgets, and of course check out all the recently added books. See what we have planned for the last half of November. The event starts at 3:00 p.m. and is free for patrons in 6th-12th grade.

November 18th– Scribble Bots

Design and build a scribbling machine with supplies in the Teen Space.

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# Author Fair

**Saturday, November 14**

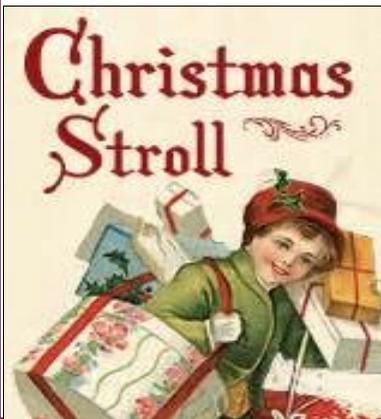
**2:00—4:00 p.m.**

- Enjoy refreshments while meeting Nebraskan authors.
- Authors will have copies of their books to sell & sign.
- Connect with local authors and some great new reads!



The Downtown Christmas Stroll is Thursday, November 19th from 5:00-8:00 p.m. This is a great night to go out and do some holiday shopping at local stores and check out the beautiful holiday lights and decorations. The library is also taking part in the Christmas Stroll again this year. A Christmas story walk has been created using a beautifully illustrated children's book by Kandy Radzinski titled "What Dogs Want for

Christmas". Come to the library to pick up your map to follow the pages of the story posted around downtown. To help with your story walk, you will also be given a library keychain flashlight and a bag of M&M popcorn. Last year we welcomed 400 participants to the story walk and we hope to have as big a crowd or bigger this year. Make plans for a family night of fun and togetherness!



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### National Novel Writing Month

Since November is National Novel Writing Month, the Columbus Public Library would like to invite all budding authors in our community to our Come Write In program. The event will be held on Saturday, November 21st from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. NaNoWriMo encourages its participants to finish a 50,000 word novel by 11:59 p.m. on November 30th, so our event would be a great opportunity to brainstorm and talk to other area writers. We will serve light refreshments throughout the day.

## Your Columbus Public Library

Columbus Public Library will be closed on Wednesday, November 11th in honor of Veterans Day. We will reopen at 9:30 a.m. on Thursday, November 12th.



Thank you,  
**Veterans!**

Columbus Public Library will close at 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, November 25th, and will be closed Thursday, November 26th and Friday, November 27th for the Thanksgiving holiday. We will reopen at 9:30 a.m. on Saturday, November 28th.



# New Releases

There have been many great books added to our catalog recently. To place a hold on any of the titles listed below, or another book, please call the library at 402-564-7116.

Only A Kiss– Mary Balogh

The Theory of Death– Faye Kellerman

Depraved Heart– Patricia Cornwell

The Photograph– Beverly Lewis

Centralia– Mike Dellosso

Wishes For Christmas– Fern Michaels

Her Final Breath– Robert Dugoni

Archmage– R. A. Salvatore

Dark Ghost– Christine Feehan

Corrupted– Lisa Scottoline

The Innocent– Ann H. Gabhart

The Sea Keeper’s Daughters– Lisa Wingate

Falling Like Snowflakes– Denise Hunter

Foreign Affairs– Stuart Woods

## Connecting Readers & Writers

### Happy Birthday to these authors:

Christopher Paolini– November 17, 1983

John Gardner– November 20, 1926

P. D. Eastman– November 25, 1909

Charles M. Schulz– November 26, 1922

C. S. Lewis– November 29, 1898

Jonathan Swift– November 30, 1667



Thanksgiving Day is a jewel, to set in the hearts of honest men; but be careful that you do not take the day, and leave out the gratitude– E. P. Powell