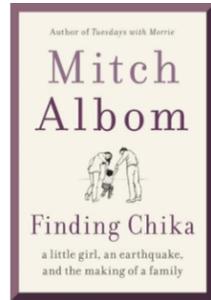


**Meadowlark Book Club: Finding Chika by Mitch Albom**  
Ages 14+

Tues., December 3, 1pm @ Brew'd Awakening



Meadowlark Book Club discusses *Finding Chika* by Mitch Albom on Tuesday, December 3 at 1pm at Brew'd Awakening. We will also hand out our January 8 selection, *The Book Woman's Daughter* by Kim Michele Richardson. New members are always welcome at any of the book clubs!

**Crafternoon: Wintery Watercolor**  
Ages 15+



Tuesday, December 17, 4pm

Join us on Tuesday, December 17, at 4pm to create a wintery watercolor birchwood scene. Please register by Friday, December 13, as there is limited seating. For ages 15+.

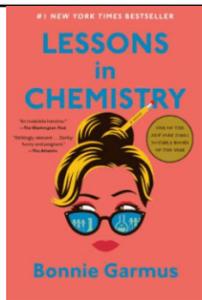
**Mango Has Now Added American Sign Language!**  
For All Ages



Are you a homeschooling parent who wants to give their child an opportunity to learn a foreign language? A public school student who would like to study a language not offered? An adult who would like to learn a different language for work advancement or just for fun? Someone who is interested in communicating with a person who cannot speak?

Mango is a free language learning app for those with a Wilson Public Library card. Stop at the front desk to find out more about Mango or getting a library card. With over 70 languages availa-

**Books on Tap: Lessons in Chemistry by Bonnie Garmus**  
Ages 14+



Wed., December 4, 7pm @ Studio 6 Bistro

On Wednesday, December 4 at 7pm, the Books on Tap Book Club meets at the Studio 6 Bistro to discuss *Lessons in Chemistry* by Bonnie Garmus. Come early to enjoy dinner and drinks. We will also have the January 8 (note the change in date!) selection, *Sworn to Silence* by Linda Castillo on hand to give out.

**Writing Society**  
Ages 14+

Tuesday, December 17, 6pm

In December, there will only be one meeting for the Writing Society, but you are definitely welcome to come! The Writing Society encourages writers of all levels and genres. Bring whatever you need to write with to the library, whether it's pen and paper or a laptop. Come to connect, swap advice, get feedback, and revive motivation. New members are always welcome!

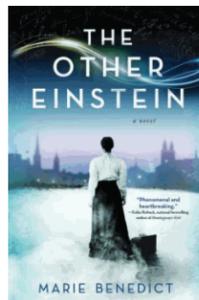
**Stay in the Know!**

Download the free Remind app, then enter the class code @deef7a to receive texts from us about upcoming programs and information.

ble, there's at least one language you might be interested in learning.

If you don't have your own device, we can help you create an account on one of our public computers, which you're welcome to use with headphones to practice the lan-  
guage.

**Kim's Book Club The Other Einstein by Marie Benedict**  
Ages 14+



Mon., December 16, 10am

Kim's Book Club meets on Monday, December 16, at 10am here at the library to discuss *The Other Einstein* by Marie Benedict. The January 20 selection, *The Day the World Came to Town* by Jim DeFede, will also be handed out.

**Writing Marathon: Ages 14+**

Sat. December 28 @ the Meridian Tap House



Our Writing Marathon is from 3-5 at the Meridian Tap House on Saturday, December 28, so plan to join us! It'll be a great time to relax from the holiday frenzy, whether you want to continue writing your next great American novel or simply write thank yous to your loved ones for thoughtful gifts. All writing is encouraged at the marathon!

**One Book One Nebraska 2025 Selection**



The Long March Home by Marcus Brotherton & Tosca Lee

**Want Today's News?**

We've Got You Covered-Current and back issues of the *Omaha World Herald* and *Kearney Hub* are both available at the library online.

# WILSON PUBLIC LIBRARY

DECEMBER 2024 EDITION

**HOURS OF OPERATION:**  
Monday-Thursday: 10:00AM – 7:00PM  
Friday: 10:00AM – 5:00PM  
Saturday: 10:00AM-1:00PM  
Where to Find Us: 910 Meridian Ave.  
Cozad, NE 69130  
308-784-2019  
www.wilsonpubliclibrary.org

**Community Chat: Cozad Rotary**

Wed., December 11, 12pm



The library sets up a monthly public "Community Chat" to talk about what is happening in Cozad. Members of the Cozad Rotary will be here to talk about what they do and how they impact Cozad. They will also give more information about their annual Polar Express happening this year at the library on December 23. Stop in to find out more and have any of your questions answered. Check our YouTube channel to watch it if you're unable to make it.

**Armchair Travels: It's Chile in December**

Tuesday, December 17, 5:30pm



Our Armchair Travels programs just keep rolling! In December, Keri Mast joins us to share photos and stories from her 2023 trip to Chile. This presentation is rescheduled from July and will begin at 5:30 on Tuesday, December 17.

**THE LIBRARY CLOSSES AT NOON ON DECEMBER 24 & ALL DAY DECEMBER 25 FOR WINTER HOLIDAYS**

**Santa's Coming to the Wilson Public Library in Cozad!**

**TUESDAY, 12/10: 4:30-6:30PM**  
**FRIDAY, 12/13: 10:30AM-12:30PM**  
**THURSDAY, 12/19: 4:30-6:30PM**



**1000 Hours Outside: Christmas Light Stroll**

Wed., December 11, 5:30pm

It's the last month of the challenge! If you're still trying to attain spending 1,000 hours outside like we are, join us at the library at 5:30pm on Wednesday, December 11, as we meet at the library and then venture out for a Christmas Light Stroll! With the Chamber of Commerce sponsoring a lighting contest, we should have a lot to look at in an hour! Dress appropriately and, upon arrival back at the library, enjoy a cup of hot chocolate and some popcorn to warm back up. Great to do as a family!

**Pony Express Christmas Card Re-Ride**  
Sat., Dec. 14, 12pm

Pony Express Christmas Card Re-Ride to Cozad's Wilson Public Library Saturday, December 14, 12pm



Wilson Public Library again partners with the Pony Express to "brand" your Christmas cards with their logo. A container is available in the front library entryway for you to deposit your USPS stamped and addressed cards. Please **have your cards deposited no later than Friday, December 13 at 4:30pm.**

The Pony Express will do a riding exhibition leaving Gothenburg Public Library at 10am on **Saturday, December 14** and will arrive in Cozad approximately noon. The library does close at 1pm that day, but you can park outside and wait for the horses (and riders!) to arrive if they are late.

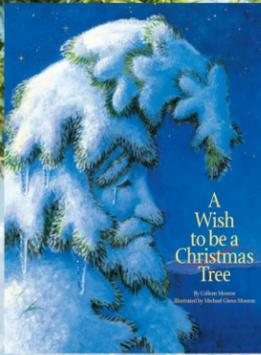
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**PART-TIME LIBRARY AIDE**  
EARLY EVENINGS & SATURDAY MORNINGS

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**THE LIBRARY CLOSSES AT NOON ON DECEMBER 31 & ALL DAY JANUARY 1 FOR WINTER HOLIDAYS**

The book drop is available 24/7/365 on the north side of the building and will be checked. We apologize for any inconvenience.



# Storybook Walk

at Muny Park walking trail starting December 2 and going all month long!

Read the story *A Wish To Be a Christmas Tree* by Colleen Monroe, our StoryWalk® around the Muny Park trail, through the month of December. Start at the green Muny Park sign and head north to read the story as you go along the trail (the pages are in order and numbered). The StoryWalk® concept was created by Anne Ferguson of Montpelier, VT and was developed with the help of Rachel Senechal, Kellogg-Hubbard Library.



## Santa at the Wilson Public Library in Cozad

- Tuesday, December 10 4:30-6:30pm
- Friday, December 13 10:30-12:30pm
- Thursday, December 19 4:30-6:30pm



## Crafted Tissue Paper Christmas Trees

Thursday, December 12 Starts at 4pm  
Ages 10 & up only

Join us **Thursday, December 12 at 4pm** to make Tissue Paper Christmas Trees! Materials provided. **Ages 10 & up only.** No registration required.



# ELF ON THE LIBRARY SHELF

Find him daily December 2 through December 21 for a treat at the front desk. All ages!



## Button Making

Thursday, December 5 from 3:30-5:30. Free and open to all ages. Come as you are able!  
No registration required.  
Limited to 3 items per person.

Need some extra gift ideas or stocking stuffers? Join us to make some buttons on Thursday, December 5 from 3:30-5:30pm (come as you are able). We will have 2 button makers here: the regular 2.25" button and the mini 1.5" button. Make pin back buttons, magnets, zipper pulls, mirrors and bookmarks! We will have a variety of materials available for you to create your buttons or bring your own materials. Limited to 3 items per button size/per person. Free and open to all. Children under 8 need to attend with an adult.



## Pine Cone Christmas Trees

Mon., December 16 Starts at 5pm  
No registration required  
All ages!

O Christmas trees! Turn a simple pine cone into a festive tree on Monday, December 16. Materials provided and all ages welcome. Children under 8 need to attend with an adult. No registration required. Be sure to read our story, *A Wish To Be a Christmas Tree*, at Muny Park walking trail to go along with the craft!



## There's No Place Like the Library

Stop in and see our "Wizard of Oz/Wicked" - inspired Christmas tree this holiday season. Then, stop at the front desk beginning December 2 through the 14, to guess how many "Tin Man hats" are in the container. Closest to the amount will win all of the chocolate inside. Please, only one guess per day. Winner will be contacted on December 16. For all who are kids at heart.



## MOVIE MATINEE

Friday, December 27 Starts at 1:30pm  
Free popcorn! Children under 8 need to attend with a chaperone



## Coloring & Cocoa

Monday, December 30 Starts @ 1:30  
All ages welcome!



## at the Library

Friday, January 3 at 1:30pm! Popcorn provided and prizes awarded to winners.  
Free and open to all ages!



It's getting cold outside! Stay and Play at  
**Emersyn's Corner**



# Library Storytime

Join us to play, read a story, and do a craft/activity on Fridays from 11-11:30am. Primarily for ages 3-6 with an adult. Drop in anytime!



## UPCOMING BOOK DISCUSSIONS

**STUCK IN THE MIDDLE BOOK CLUB 2024-25**

- DEC. 18 TWO DEGREES** by Alan Gratz
- JAN. 15 LASAGNA MEANS I LOVE YOU** by Kate O'Shaughnessy
- FEB. 19 FINALLY SEEN** by Kelly Yang

Can't find a good book??? Join Stuck in the Middle Book Club and get stuck with good friends! Friends! Books! & Conversations!  
For 4-8th graders. Talk to your parents about joining, get the book from the front desk at the library, read away and then show up on the dates listed at 2:30pm!



**Cozad Rotary's Polar Express at the Wilson Public Library, Monday, December 23. Times 5:30-8:00, leaving the station every 30 minutes. Tickets \$8, available at the Cozad Chamber and at Berreckman & Bazata Law Office. Watch the Polar Express movie & enjoy snacks while you wait.**