

# Jacksonville Public Library



“Books make great gifts...they have the whole world inside of them.”  
-- Neil Gaiman, English author

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

Check out our [website](#) at for more information on these events.

**Jacksonville Photography Club will not officially meet again until January 2019.**

Questions should be directed to John at AMSLTDJAGA@aol.com

**December 1<sup>st</sup> Aspiring Writers Group at 10am**

Open to Adults & Teens who are interested in sharing their work and getting writing and publication tips from other local writers.

**December 4<sup>th</sup> Joy Quilt Guild meeting at 10am – Noon**

Open to people of all skill levels who enjoy quilting and would like to learn or improve their skills.

**December 6<sup>th</sup> No Preschoolers' or Tiny Tots Storytimes**

**December 6<sup>th</sup> Gingerbread House Decorating contest at 3:30pm** (see article on page 2)

**December 8<sup>th</sup> Cover 2 Cover Book Club at 1pm**

Open to Adults & older Teens who are interested in lively discussions about books chosen by the group at the previous month's meeting. This month, they will be reading *The Lost Soldier* by Diney Costeloe.

**December 11<sup>th</sup> Christmas Sing-Along at 5:30pm for adults – tweens**

Share in the warmth of the Season as we lift our voices in song! A joyful noise doesn't have to be pitch perfect so everyone is welcome! Fun, friends, hot drinks & cookies provided.

**December 13<sup>th</sup> No Preschoolers' or Tiny Tots Storytimes** Make plans to be at Storytime with Santa this afternoon at 4pm.

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**December 19<sup>th</sup> Library Board Meeting at 4:30pm in the library annex** Changes will be posted on the library bulletin board in advance of a meeting.

**December 20<sup>th</sup> “The Night Before Christmas” Preschoolers' Storytime for ages 3-6 at 10am** This program is designed to help your preschooler get ready to read with fun, interactive, early literacy stories and activities.

**December 20<sup>th</sup> Tiny Tots Storytime for ages 0-2 at 10am** This program is designed for younger children with simple stories, activities and cooperative play time.

**Saturday, December 22<sup>nd</sup> through Tuesday, December 25<sup>th</sup> Library closed for Christmas** Re-open at 8am on Wednesday, December 26<sup>th</sup>.

**December 27<sup>th</sup> “Mrs. Claus's Picks” Preschoolers' Storytime for ages 3-6 at 10am**

**December 27<sup>th</sup> Tiny Tots Storytime for ages 0-2 at 10am**

**Tuesday, January 1, 2019 Library closed for New Year's Day** Re-open at 8am on Wednesday, January 2, 2019.



## Library News

### Gingerbread Decoration Contest

Join us for some family fun on Thursday, December 6<sup>th</sup> beginning at 3:30pm for our gingerbread house decorating contest. The houses will be pre-made and all the decorating supplies will be furnished; all you need to bring is your creativity! Prizes will be awarded in several categories, plus you get to keep your creations to enjoy throughout the holiday season!

Sign up at the library by December 4<sup>th</sup> to participate; one house per family will be provided to ensure there will be enough available. Gingerbread house kits are provided by a generous donation from Walgreen's.

### Storytime with Santa

Experience the wonder of Santa, and discover the secrets of the North Pole at a special afternoon Story Time with Santa on Thursday, December 13<sup>th</sup> at 4pm! Join us for holiday stories, activities, crafts, snacks, door prizes, and our very special guest...Jolly Old St. Nick!

Don't forget to bring your cameras for photos with Santa!



### Circulation Statistics

In October, 4019 items (books, ebooks, DVDs and audiobooks) were checked out and there were 475 internet computer uses!

***Photos & videos of patrons are taken at library programs; these images may be used on the library's website, Facebook page, and newsletter to advertise library events.***

## Holiday Movies

During the busy holiday season, you may not have time to read, but that doesn't mean you can't enjoy some holiday stories! The library has many holiday classics and new favorites on DVD that the whole family will love.

- ❄️ *Angels Sing*
- ❄️ *Arthur's Perfect Christmas*
- ❄️ *The Bishop's Wife*
- ❄️ *Call Me Mrs. Miracle*
- ❄️ *A Charlie Brown Christmas*
- ❄️ *The Christmas Bunny*
- ❄️ *A Christmas Melody*
- ❄️ *The Christmas Shoes*
- ❄️ *A Christmas Story*
- ❄️ *Christmas with the Chipmunks*
- ❄️ *Four Christmases*
- ❄️ *Frank Capra's It's a Wonderful Life*
- ❄️ *How the Grinch Stole Christmas*
- ❄️ *The Muppet Christmas Carol*
- ❄️ *Miracle on 34<sup>th</sup> Street*
- ❄️ *National Lampoon's Christmas Vacation*
- ❄️ *The Nativity Story*
- ❄️ *The Polar Express*
- ❄️ *A Season for Miracles*
- ❄️ *The Star*
- ❄️ *Truman Capote's A Christmas Memory*
- ❄️ *Yes, Virginia*

HAPPY HOLIDAYS!