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*Bell Memorial
Public Library*

Paperback Book Christmas Tree!



Make a Christmas Tree out of an old paperback book. These are decorated with buttons, ribbon, glitter, and other Christmas bling. Cost for this program is \$2.00 and you must sign up. Time and date is Tuesday, December 15th at 6:00 PM.

*Soapmaking Demonstration
by Mudd Creek Soapery!*

Have you always wondered how to make your own soap? Would you like to watch the soap making process from beginning to end? Learn how to make good, safe, soap for your family. Shaun Mudd, Mudd Creek Soapery, will be here to demonstrate the process from beginning to end. Tuesday, December 29th at 6:00 PM.

*Make-n-Take Crafts With Santa!
Santa Claus is coming to Bell Library!
Come & see Santa and then have fun
doing crafts with Mrs. Kindig!
December 5th 9:00 to 12:00.
Bring your Christmas wishes!*



ADULT FICTION

A.D. 33 by Ted Dekker. A rich and engaging tale that captivates readers from the first page.

The Bazaar of Bad Dreams by Stephen King. Short but sweet, horror abounds in these collected tales.

Crimson Shore by Douglas Preston. A secret chamber, a mysterious shipwreck, and a murder in the desolate salt marshes.

The Crossing by Michael Connelly. Harry Bosch crosses the line to team up with Lincoln Lawyer Mickey Haller in this new thriller.

The Golem of Paris by Jonathan Kellerman. An extraordinary thriller about family, murder, and the secrets that refuse to stay buried.

Host by Robin Cook. This newest medical thriller will boost the blood pressure of anyone facing hospitalization.

Love Everlasting by Tracie Peterson. The exciting conclusion to the *Brides of Seattle* series.

The Mare by Mary Gaitskill. A story about falling in love, growing up, and doing right in worlds of privilege and poverty.

Plot Boiler by Ali Brandon. A Black Cat Bookshop Mystery.

Saturn Run by John Sanford. The heart of a breakneck thriller and the mind of the best science fiction.

The Sea Keeper's Daughters by Lisa Wingate. From modern-day Roanoke Island to the sweeping backdrop of North Carolina's Blue Ridge Mountains, folklore writers, past and present intertwine to create an unexpected destiny.

Stars of Fortune by Nora Roberts. The first book in *The Guardians Trilogy*.

The Sundown Speech by Loren D. Estleman. A hot new *Amos Walker* mystery.

The Survivors by Robert Palmer. An up-close-and-personal mystery. Suspense that will haunt you.



What's new?

**You can now renew your own materials via e-mail.
Just e-mail your name, card #, & title
of material you want renewed to:
sboggs@bellmpl.info**

The Awesome Box!

**READ A GOOD BOOK LATELY? PUT IT IN OUR AWESOME BOX.
LOCATED AT THE CIRCULATION DESK. WE WILL PUT THOSE TITLES IN OUR
NEWSLETTERS SO YOU CAN FIND THOSE AWESOME BOOKS.**



Books From the Awesome Box

Peyton Manning: Football Superstar by Mike Artell. J Non-Fiction. Did you know that Peyton Manning threw 39 touchdowns during his senior year of high school? Discover how an amazing high school and college player went on to become a Super Bowl champion!

Gateway by Fredrick Pohl. YA Fiction. This is an older science fiction novel. Request it through INCOLSA.

Abandon by Meg Cabot. YA Fiction. A fun paranormal romance.

World War II by Chris Lynch. J Non-Fiction. A series of great kids books on World War II history.

Quilting Club!



Our Quilting Club will not be meeting in December. Starting in January this program will be moved to another day and will have a new name and focus.

The program will be called, *So Many Things To Sew*. I am changing the program to small simple sewing projects that anyone can learn to do. See you in January 2016!

Euchre at the Library!

Euchre at Bell Library. 4th Monday of the month
December 28th at 6:00 PM

Coffee will be provided but please bring your own snacks and drinks. We will have prizes for the most points, most loaners, and a booby prize! Come join the fun.



*We Now Have Coffee Available by the main circulation desk! Cost is \$1.00.
Enjoy a Cup While You Are Here!*

MOVIES CHECK
OUT FOR 1 WEEK &
CAN NOW BE
RESERVED!

BUT PLEASE BE
AWARE:

THE FINE HAS
INCREASED TO
\$2.00 PER VIDEO
PER DAY
OVERDUE

New Movies Coming!



Adult Movie Matinee!

Join us Monday, December 21st at 1:30 PM
for the Christmas movie *A Royal Christmas*.

If you are looking for a really great, fun, romantic Christmas movie,
this is the one for you.

Our new web page is now live!

Check it out at: www.bell.lib.in.us & at: www.bellmpl.info



Meeting Rooms Available!

Need a room to rent? We have two large rooms available & a small study room (Small Study Room Located off lobby: No cost. Reservations can be made but not required. Check in at the circulation desk.)

Large conference room & the Bell X rooms:

- Non-profits no charge but a \$25.00 refundable deposit required
- Private in district: \$70.00 includes the \$35.00 fee/with \$35.00 Refundable deposit
- Private out of district: \$100.00 includes the \$50.00 fee/with \$50.00 refundable deposit

New Computers For Public Use!

Bell Library now has 2 new computers, one in the J-Fic section & one in the children's room. We also have 3 new laptops for patron use. (You must provide a copy of your license/ID). We will also be upgrading our internet speed soon.



Zumba at Bell Library!

Zumba at Bell Library every Monday evening at 7:00 PM

\$3.00 donation per person per class.

For info on class times and locations

follow Eva's Zumba and Hip Hop Classes on Facebook.

Staff's Favorite Recipes

Georgia Cookie Candy!

A great recipe to make for your Christmas family gatherings. Sure to be a hit with everyone who has a sweet tooth.



Ingredients

- 1 cup butter
- 1 cup crunchy peanut butter
- 3 cups confectioner's sugar
- 1 1/2 cups graham cracker crumbs
- 1 1/2 cups semisweet chocolate chips

Directions

Line a 13 x 9 x 2 inch pan with foil. Combine the butter, peanut butter, sugar, and graham cracker crumbs in a food processor or with a hand mixer. Process until the mixture forms a ball. Press into the foil-lined pan using your hands or a spatula. Melt the chocolate chips in double boiler over simmering water or in a microwave-safe glass dish in the microwave for 1 minute on high. Stir. If the chocolate has not completely melted, microwave for 10 seconds more, then stir. Spread evenly over the cookie layer with a spatula. Chill for several hours. When ready to serve, allow the candy to come to room temperature before cutting pieces. Store in airtight container in the refrigerator.



When you bring out your stored Christmas wreaths there is always a little dust from the year before. Here's a quick trick to clean them with minimal effort. You start with a brown paper bag, add 1/4 cup of salt, Kosher salt works well, fold the top over and shake. The salt will clean off all the dust that can get stuck down inside faux foliage and pine cones.



Kid's Pages!



How to make



Handprint Ornaments



Here's What You'll Need:

4 cups flour, 1 cup salt, food coloring, and a little bit of cooking oil.

Ribbon & paint, if desired

Directions:

In a mixing bowl gradually blend in your flour & salt with water. Add gradually because you can always add more water than takeaway water. Lightly grease a baking sheet with oil and form three equal sections and roll out on the cookie sheet. Once you have your form made, use a straw or pencil to make a hole in it before you have your kids put their hand print on. Keep the dough thick enough to form the handprint. If it is too thin it will not work. Place your handprints in a 150 degree oven for an hour, or you can air dry over night for 24 hours. You can paint them or leave them plain. Add a decorative ribbon through the hole and hang your handprint ornaments.

Children's Story Time!

Children's Story Time is held
at 3:00 PM on Wednesdays.

For kids ages 3 to 7

(There will no longer be Saturday Story Time's
for lack of attendance.)



With Mrs. Kindig



Lego Club!

The 3rd Saturday of the Month
December 19th at 1:00 PM

Boy's & Girl's Night Out!

There will be no Boy's & Girl's Night
in December.

Enjoy your Christmas break.



TEEN PAGES!

New YA Books



Shop from the comfort of your home and avoid the crazy crowds. Here are some great online shops, some that may not have stores in your area.

- Cotton.com/US A popular brand in Australia.
- Style.justfab.com For super chic and cheap accessories.
- Assos.com Check out their outlet section for some really great deals.
- Francescas.com An adorable boutique with lots of super girly stuff.
- Loveculture.com The pieces on this site are a bit more wild and trendy with lots of neon and fun prints, perfect for spring and summer.

From sparkleandmineblog.blogspot.com

Pre-Teen & Teen's Reading Club!

Our Reading Club will now be held twice a month
December 4th & December 18th 4:00 to 5:00 PM

We will be taking pictures to make bookmarks.

For Pre-Teens & Teens 8 and up.

Teen Gaming Night!



**TEEN GAMING
HAS BEEN CANCELLED UNTIL
FURTHER NOTICE.**



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Hours: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday 9:00 to 7:00 PM.
 Friday & Saturday 9:00 to 5:00 PM. Sunday 1:00 to 5:00 PM. (Closed Sun. June-Aug.)

Abandoned Places!

The abandoned sanatorium Beelitz Heilstatten is located southwest of Berlin. It was built in three discontinuous phases between 1898 and 1930 to house and treat tuberculosis patients. During World War I Beelitz Heilstatten was requisitioned for use as a military hospital and in 1915-16 an infantry soldier named Adolf Hitler convalesced there from a thigh wound received at the Battle of the Somme. The formation of greater Berlin in 1920 saw patient numbers rising sharply and then falling off during the 1923-24 inflation crisis, when some of the wards were forced to close. The sanatorium was requisitioned again for military use during World War II. Parts of the site were bombed. Under the Soviet occupation, the hospital became a closed military zone used for Soviet troops. In this latter capacity it housed a second notorious patient. In 1990 the deposed leader Erich Honecker was briefly treated at Beelitz before escaping to Moscow to evade prosecution for the deaths of the 192 East German citizens killed trying to escape over the Berlin wall. The Soviets withdrew in 1994 and the site entered limbo between optimistic renewal and steady deterioration. It is listed as a historical site in the Brandenburg region so it cannot be simply bulldozed but the funds required to restore the site as a whole are conspicuously lacking. Until someone undertakes the restoration, the flow of curious visitors who explore the site show no signs of abating.



December

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2 Story Time Every Wed. 3:00 PM	3	4 Reading Club 4:00 PM	5 Santa & Make-n-Take Crafts 9:00 AM
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15 Paperback Christmas Tree 6:00 PM	16	17	18 Reading Club 4:00 PM	19 Lego Club 1:00 PM
20	21 Adult Movie Matinee 1:30 PM	22	23	24 Christmas Eve Library Closed	25 Christmas Day Library Closed	26
27	28 Lib. Board Meeting 6:30 PM Euchre Night 6:00 PM	29 Mudd Creek Soapery Demo. 6:00 PM	30	31 New years Eve Library Closed		