

Walton & Tipton Township Public Library

110 N. Main St., Walton, IN 46994
(574) 626-2234

9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesday—Friday
10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday

As this year winds down, we would like to highlight some holiday activities and changes that have been made.

(See inside for information on changes)

On December 9th, please join us for our annual Christmas Open House from 10 a.m. until noon.

Hoosier Strings will be performing in the Community Room. Light refreshments will be served.

Booker, the naughty library elf, has magically appeared! And, of course, he's already causing all sorts of mischief. We're asking the children for help in finding him. (After all, he's only visible to children. Adults have trouble spotting him.)

(See inside for more details.)

Our annual Gingerbread House Contest is underway. Entries will be on display starting December 9th. Check out page 6 for more details.

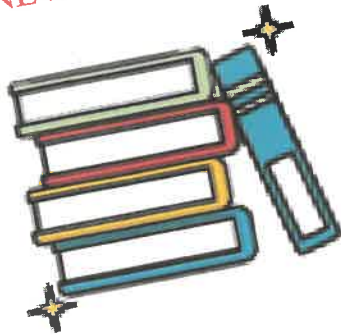
The Library will be closed Dec. 23rd—Dec. 26th.

Merry Christmas & Happy New Year!



ALL THINGS NEW

NEW BOOKS



Judgment Prey—John Sanford

I Loved You in Another Life — David Arnold

Suddenly a Murder — Lauren Muñoz

Miss Banks Pulls Lots of Pranks — Dan Gutman

The Secret — Lee Child

Resurrection Walk — Michael Connelly

The Exchange — John Grisham

Knowing You — Tracie Peterson

Key Player — Kelly Yang

Are you a collector?

We're looking for collections to display in the Library. If you would like to participate, please call Kari Bennett at (574) 626-2234 or send an email to her at kbennett@walton.lib.in.us.



The Book Club meets at 1 p.m. every fourth Tuesday of the month.

In December, the group will be meet for a carry-in lunch and discuss this year's selections.

The gathering will be held in the Library's Community Room.

Upcoming Books:

Jan. 23: A House in the Sky by Amanda Lindhout

Feb. 27: The Necklace: Thirteen Women and the Experiment that Transformed Their Lives by Cheryl Jarvis

NEW MOVIES



Blue Beetle

Mission Impossible: Dead Reckoning

Retribution

Grand Turismo

Warhorse One



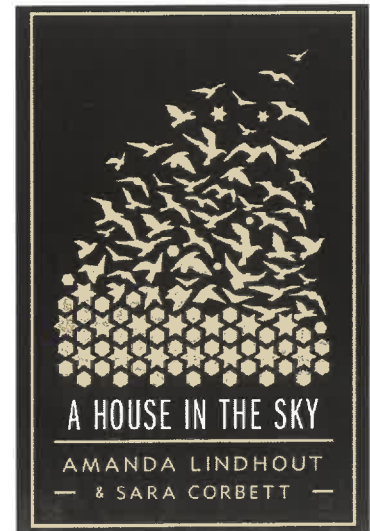
BOARD MEETING

The Library Board will meet at 6 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 12, 2023, at the Library.

Upcoming Events for 9 AM Coffee Group:

- Dec. 6 — Trivia
- Dec. 13 — Bob Moore Sing-Along
- Dec. 20 — Conversation and Coffee
- Dec. 27 — Planning for New Year— Ideas, Sharing

NOTE TIME CHANGE!



EVENTS AND MEETING TIMES



December Story Time *Tuesday & Wednesday at 11:15am*

5 & 6
Book- The Star in the Christmas Play
Craft- Decorate a star

12th & 13th
Book- The Polar Bear Who Saved Christmas
Craft – Reindeer countdown clock

*19th Only 20th No School
Book- Stowaway in a Sleigh
Craft- Decorate a Christmas tree

Have a Merry Christmas! See you January 9th!!

LEGO CLUB NEWS



Come join the block-building fun. Lego Club meets at 4 p.m. every Thursday in the Community

Gingerbread House Building Contest

It's that time of year! Open to any age group, the library is hosting its annual competition. Voting will begin December 9th. See page 6 for more information.

More information also is available at the library.



Hello, kids!
Is there a question you've always wanted to ask Paisley or a book you'd like her to read? You can send her an email now and she will answer you. (Paisley@walton.lib.in.us) She's waiting on your letters, so have fun "talking" with her!



Merry Christmas

We wish you and your family a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Your support of the Walton Library has been so wonderful. The events you attend, the activities you participate in, and the time you spend in conversation with us mean the world.

We enjoy serving our patrons and being here for each of you. You make this library the special place that it is.

With our deepest sincerity, thank you,

Kathy Napiewocki
Children's Clerk
The Hines Family

JUAN MAYORGA

Kari Bennett - Clerk

Key Knuckle, Kristi Hillman,
Bookkeeper, director

Beth Sullivan, Cora Epperhart,
Assistant Director - young adult
IU Clerk

HELP US!
The crazy troublemaker, Booker, has returned!

He creeps and he crawls.
Lurking around corners and
peering over stacks of pages,
Booker keeps popping up in
places we don't expect him to be.

We're always looking over our
shoulders and taking careful steps
so we don't get tripped up by
him.

But it has become too much for us.
We need your help, kids!

Look!! Booker even jumped on
Paisley's back!



Please stop by the library and help us
keep Booker out of trouble!

If you find him, don't touch him. We're
not sure what he'll do. Instead, find
someone who works at the library and
take that person to Booker.

For your detective work, you'll get a
special reward — a big candy bar!

That's our way of saying, "Thank You,"
for helping us find this library mischief-
maker.

Gingerbread House Contest

Entries will be on display by December 9th.

There is no overall theme.

Everyone is invited to stop by and vote for your favorite design. Bring your change! It's a penny-war vote. The contestant with the most money by the end of the competition will win a prize.

Voting runs from December 9th through December 15th. Winners will be announced on WSAL's Talk of the Town at 9 a.m. Monday, December 18th.

Contestants must pick up their submissions no later than 5 p.m. Tuesday, December 19th.



Year In Review


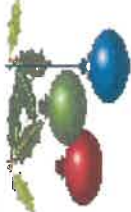





We've had a lot of changes at the Walton Library in 2023. With this year coming to an end, we'd like to highlight some of these updates and improvements.

- We added a Young Adult reading area, which features hundreds of new books, including manga. A couch and two overstuffed lounging chairs have been added to the Young Adult area. There also is a charging station. All of this is courtesy of the Washington Township Trustee's Office and the Friends of the Library. Both groups provided funding that supported the purchase of these items.
- The Indiana Bar Foundation set up a kiosk in the patron computer area that allows people to access legal documents and legal help for free.
- Cloud printing has been installed. Patrons are able to print directly from iPads or cell phones without the need to log onto a computer. Simply follow the QR code instructions provided by Princh, the Cloud printing company, pay at the circulation desk, and pick up your printed item.
- A Smartboard was purchased and can be rented for meetings, certain events, and certain gatherings. The board is interactive with a 75-inch screen. A laptop is available as well.
- We started offering a Large Print section with books through the Indiana State Library. Patrons may check out these books just like any other library book.
- We began hosting a coffee, tea, hot chocolate, and water station available for patron usage. The Library asks for at-will donations to help offset some of the costs. Thank you to those who have contributed! Your support is appreciated!!
- New touchscreen computers for employees as well as new computers for circulation and patron search terminals were acquired.
- The Library has a new security system for inside and outside recording.
- The bookshelves have new dividers, which provide better organization of our inventory and makes finding your favorite authors even easier.

Library Personnel

New Director—Kristi Hileman
New Young Adult Clerk/Saturday Clerk—Kari Bennett
New Assistant Young Adult Clerk—Cora Epperhart
New PM Circulation Clerk—Juan Mayorga

Assistant Director—Beth Sullivan
Children's Clerk—Kathy Naphew
Bookkeeper/Treasurer—Kay Kunkle
Custodian—Jennifer Hines
Groundskeeper—Tim Sullivan

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p>DECEMBER 2023</p> 		<p>LIBRARY STRAIGHT Heidi Hillman Dayna Kuehn Sarah Johnson Bailey Maguire Sari Bennett Cora Thompson Juan Mayorga CLAUDIA Jennifer Wilson</p>			1	
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	8:10 AM Senior Moves	11:15 AM Story Time	9 AM Coffee 11:15 AM Story Time 1 PM Art Group	8:10 AM Senior Moves 1 PM Any Craft Time 4 PM Lego Club		<p>CHRISTMAS OPEN HOUSE 10 AM – MOON HOOSIER STRINGS performing</p> 
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
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17	18	19	20	21	22	23
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24	25	26	27	28	29	30
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 <p>New Year's Eve</p>		<p>LIBRARY BOARD Carol Buchanan -- Pres. Mary Janet Bennett -- Vice President Bailey Collins -- Secretary Robert Moore Julie Davis Anna Boush Jeff Leffert</p>		<p>FOL BOARD Maggie TBS -- President Jack Wilson -- Vice President Sarah Horn -- Secretary Seanna Mahle -- Treasurer Myraene Hamley -- Member at Large Devika Walker -- Member at Large Kristi Williams -- Ex-Officio Member</p>		

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