

Richfield Springs
Public Library



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Newsletter

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DIRECTOR'S CORNER

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Happy Holidays everyone! December has come upon us, it seems to have arrived faster this year than the past few. So many wonderful things to come in the new year. We are working on a couple of new collaborations, if you haven't already heard. With the Richfield Springs Central School, we are working on a new community based committee to help ensure the future reading skills of the area children. The Community Literacy Partnership – “Building a community of readers” has formed involving several groups and officials within the Richfield Springs School District to help bring the love of reading to all children in our area and ensure a successful transition into Kindergarten. If you are interested in taking part in this committee, or would like to know more, please reach out and we will let you know when the next meeting is!

Students from Richfield Springs Central School have created a new group in which they will be collaborating with us, Richfield Springs S.A.S (Students Adopting Seniors), students from the school formed this group, with the hopes “they might improve the social interaction between elderly community members and students in Richfield Springs to combat isolation.” The students and I will be working on new programs to hold at the library and/or the school in which we will welcome members from the elderly community to take part in different social activities and we will also offer a tech night, where we will assist individuals to understand and use their technology, (such as computers(laptops), tablets, and smart phones). Stay tuned for more information!

The S.A.S Group, won an award of \$3,000 which they will be providing to the Library for the purchase of a Cricut Machine, for use in the Teen & Adult Art Collective Group, and to help with the purchase of supplies for the machine. Teens and adults working together on art projects or assisting each other on their own projects is what the Teen & Adult Art Collective Group is all about!

Art Programming this month, will take place as follows: Kids Art Class will be on Tuesday, December 5th at 3:30 pm, and Tuesday, December 19th at 3:30 pm. The Teen & Adult Art Collective will be on December 5th at 6 pm and December 19th at 6 pm.

During the Teen & Adult Art Collective group meeting on December 5th, I will be demonstrating how to apply a photo to wood ornaments and glass bottles. This can be a great gift for the holidays!

Did you know that Wanda Hunt our resident Yoga instructor is now teaching Tai Chi here at the library? Tuesdays 11 am stop in and join the group. Tai Chi has lots of health benefits from improving balance to benefiting bone density!

And don't forget Chair Yoga, Mondays at 2 pm, the fee for this class as well as Tai Chi is only one, non-perishable food item for the Richfield Springs Food Pantry.



We are in the process of bringing free mittens, hats and scarfs to the library which will be decorations on a couple of trees inside, if you, or family members need these items for the winter check in at the library and take them from the trees. If you are interested in making these items to help out your fellow community members, please consider donating your time to this project. We have some yarn here at the library if you can't provide your own, we are accepting donations of homemade mittens/gloves, scarves and hats, or store bought. Please remember these will be given away to our patrons to stay warm for the winter. Thank you ahead of time for your generosity and kindness!

We have taken some of the books from our book sale area, which is always available to browse throughout the year in the memorial room (you might find some great gifts to give away for the holidays!), and created a book tree for the season. Stop in at the library and take a guess at the number of books used to build this tree. The person who guesses the closest number will win a special gift basket! The winner will be determined after the new year.

Happy Holidays!

"If we make it through December, everything's gonna be alright I know; it's the coldest time of winter and I shiver when I see the falling snow."

~ Merle Haggard

Richfield Springs Public Library

Join us on Thursday,
December 14th, 5:45 pm
To 6:30 pm, for a Holiday
Candelight Meditation led by
Wanda Hunt, Yoga and Tai-
Chi instructor.

Happy Holidays!

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Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
					1 Story Time 11 am	2
3	4 Chair Yoga 2 pm	5 Tai Chi 11 am Children's Art Class 3:30 pm Teen & Adult Art Group 6 pm	6	7	8 Story Time 11 am	9
10	11 Chair Yoga 2 pm	12 Tai Chi 11 am Village Board Meeting 7 pm	13	14 Candlelight Holiday Meditation 5:45 pm	15 Story Time 11 am	16
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NEW ITEMS

Adult Books

Bookshops & Bonedust by Travis Baldree

A Christmas Vanishing by Anne Perry

The Proof of the Pudding by Rhys Bowen

Lost & Hound by Rita Mae Brown

The Longest Minute: The Great San Francisco Earthquake and Fire of 1906 by Matthew J. Davenport

How To Know a Person by David Brooks

The Upstairs Delicatessen by Dwight Garner

Slay by Laurell K. Hamilton

The Last Outlaws by Tom Clavin

Being Henry by Henry Winkler

Energy Follows Thought by Willie Nelson

City of Betrayal by Victoria Thompson

Manner of Death by Robin Cook

The Purest Bond by Jen Golbeck

Command and Control by Marc Cameron

Robert B. Parker's Broken Trust by Mike Lupica

Unnatural Death by Patricia Cornwell

UFO: The Inside Story of The US Government's Search for Alien Life Here-and Out There by Garrett M. Graff

Act Like a Lady Think Like a Lord by Celeste Connally

Alex Cross Must Die by James Patterson

The Watchmaker's Hand by Jeffery Deaver

Adult Fiction Continued

The Little Liar by Mitch Albom

Inheritance by Nora Roberts

The Ball at Versailles by Danielle Steel

My Name is Barbara by Barbara Streisand

The Wishing Bridge by Viola Shipman

Resurrection Walk by Michael Connelly

Betrayal by Phillip Margolin

Clive Cussler's The Corsican Shadow by Dirk Cussler

Critical Hits: Writers Playing Video Games Edited by J. Robert

Lennon & Carmen Maria Machado

Listen: On Music, Sound and Us by Michel Faber

The Talk of Coyote Canyon by Brenda Novak

The Path to Paradise by Sam Wasson

Iron Flame by Rebecca Yarros



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CRAFT KIT OF THE MONTH



Paper bag Elf Puppet

The take-home craft kit of the month is made available to all in collaboration with the Richfield Springs Community Center's: Stories Come Alive!

Pick up your craft kit on the shelves by the door of the Library. We would love to see your finished craft; please post a picture and tag us on Facebook @RichfieldSpringsPublicLibrary.

Stop in and get creative!

“I heard a bird sing in the darkness of December, a magical thing, and sweet to remember: we are nearer to Spring than we were in September.”

~ Oliver Herford

OUR STAFF

- **Library Manager/Director**
Mindy Baker
- **Library Assistant**
Martha Ainslie-Hamblin

LIBRARY HOURS

**Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays &
Fridays**

11 am - 5 pm

Tuesdays 11 am - 8 pm

Saturdays 10 am - 12 pm