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The Whistle Stop News



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Hours:

Monday - Thursday 9 am - 6 pm

Friday 9 am - 5 pm

Saturday & Sunday CLOSED



Author to Speak



We welcome author Brandy Gleason on Thursday, January 22, at 6:30 pm to share "Explore America 250 around Ohio." Brandy is the CEO of Gleason Media, LLC., and creator of the Ohio Road Trips Facebook group. She has written 100 Things to Do in Ohio's Amish Country Before You Die, and 100 Things to Do in Ohio Before You Die, and co-wrote the Ohio section of Midwest Road Trip Adventures and Midwest State Parks. She loves to travel and explore the outdoors. The driving force behind her writing and social media is to encourage others to find their own adventures. Visit her website, gleasonfamilyadventure.com, to learn more. Following her presentation, Brandy will answer questions and have books for sale and signing. Thanks to the Friends of the NB Library for sponsoring this event to launch all our America 250 adventures!

View and Chew

To start off a new year of our FREE monthly movie series, we will be showing "Roofman". This movie stars Channing Tatum and Kirsten Dunst.

"A charismatic criminal, while on the run from the police, hides in a hidden space of a toy store. There, he adopts a new identity and becomes involved with an employee, beginning a relationship as unlikely as it is risky."

The movie will be shown on Wednesday, January 17th, with a start time of 6 pm at The Virginia Theater (119 N. Main St.) The theater doors will open at 5:30 pm. Concessions will be available for purchase. We look forward to seeing you there.

Happy New Reading Year!

The Book Chatters are starting 2026 with a new Reading List and plans for celebrating 25 years of reading and chatting! Stop by the Book Chatter's display to see a selection of book choices for the year and pick up a copy of the list or visit the website to view/print your own list. Books read through the past 25 years by the group will now feature a label on the spine of our books. For January, we are reading The Secret Life of Sunflowers by Marta Molnar. Please borrow a copy and join us on Tuesday, January 27 in the Wolfe Community Room at 6:30 pm to discuss.

"When auctioneer Emsley finds her famous grandmother's diary, the pages are full of surprises. The first surprise is, the diary isn't her grandmother's. It belongs to Johanna Bonger, Vincent van Gogh's sister-in-law. Johanna inherited Vincent van Gogh's paintings. They were all she had, and they weren't worth anything. She was a widow with a baby in the 1800s, without any means of supporting herself, living in Paris where she barely spoke the language. Yet she managed to introduce Vincent's legacy to the world."

Join Our Library Board

Are you passionate about supporting your local library and contributing to its growth? We're seeking a dedicated individual to join the Library Board for a four-year term.

Details of the Position:

- Serve as a valued member of our Library Board.
- Participate in one meeting per month to help shape the future of our library.
- Collaborate with other board members to support library services and initiatives.

Applications for a current opening are due by January 7th, 2026. However, applications are always welcome for future positions! Applicants should be available to meet with the director/board members the week of January 12th and attend the Board Meeting on Friday, January 16th. To apply pick up an application at the front desk of the library.

Winter Reading is Coming!

Winter Reading 2026 will begin on Monday, January 19. Adult services will "Celebrate America 250/North Baltimore 150!" Join us in this year long venture! Each day's check out from Jan. 19-Feb. 27 will earn entry for the Adult Winter Reading Prize drawing!



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January 2026



Children's Events

Preschool Story Time for kids ages 1-5 with an adult companion Tuesdays @ 11 am

January 6 – Magic & Letter O

January 13 – Visit with the Tooth Fairy in the Children's Area

January 20 – Hats/Jobs & Letters P & Q

January 27 – Groundhog's Day & Letter R

Preschool Learn & Play Tuesdays @ 4:30 pm

In the newly reimagined Children's Station. An adult companion must attend with each child/group of children.

After School Activities for grades K-4

Wednesdays from 3-3:45 pm

January 7 – Fuse Beads

January 14 – Legos in Children's Area

January 21 – Dog Man Day

January 28 – Mad Science

Daily Snacks

Mon. - Fri. from 2:30 - 5 pm, for all ages

J4T – Just for Teens for grades 5-12

Thursdays from 3-4:30 pm

January 1 – No J4T (Happy New Year!)

January 8 – Book Club

(Chapter 9 – end of Fablehaven)

January 15 – D & D

January 22 – Arts & Crafts

January 29 – Board Games with Miss Cheryl!

After School Art w/ Erika Miklovic from Happy Camper Studio

for kids in grade 2 - 8 from 3 - 4 pm

January 13 – Paperbag Sketchbook

January 27 – Snowflake Printmaking

Winter Reading Begins!!

January 19 – February 27,

kids and teens will receive a gift just for registering!! Prizes will be awarded biweekly!!

Kalahari Riptide Readers

This program allows you to read to earn a free ticket to Kalahari!!

See the children's desk for more information beginning January 19!!

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
January				1 Closed Happy New Year	2	3
4	5	6 Story Time @ 11 am Learn & Play @ 4:30 pm	7 Fuse Beads @ 3 pm	8 Just4Teens 3 - 4:30 pm	9	10
11	12	13 ST @ 11 am Art w/ Erika @ 3pm Learn & Play @ 4:30 pm	14 Legos @ 3 pm View & Chew Movie @ 6 pm	15 Just4Teens 3 - 4:30 pm	16 Board Meeting @ 9 am	17
18	19 MLK Jr. Day LIBRARY OPEN Winter Reading Begins	20 Story Time @ 11 am Learn & Play @ 4:30 pm	21 Dog Man Day @ 3 pm	22 Just4Teens 3 - 4:30 pm Author Visit @ 6:30 pm	23	24
25	26 Annual Friends of Library Meeting @ 6pm	27 ST @ 11 am Art w/ Erika @ 3 pm L & P @ 4:30 pm Book Chat @ 6:30 pm	28 Mad Science @ 3 pm	29 Just4Teens 3 - 4:30 pm	30	31