

Winter Read-A-Thon 2020

Featuring a Harry Potter Exhibit and Themed Events

Read. Always. Morning, noon, and night! Cozy up with a good book and put an end to those winter blahs. Take part in the library's "Read. Always." 2020 Winter-Read-a-Thon for kids, teens, and adults. The program runs from **Monday, Jan. 6** through **Saturday, March 1**. To participate, pick up a book log at any Fargo Public Library location or print one from our website at www.fargolibrary.org beginning Jan. 6. All readers are encouraged to read to earn chances to enter prize drawings. Book logs are due on or before **Sunday, March 1**, to be eligible for prizes and prize drawings. Prize drawings will be held in mid-March.

As part of this year's Winter Read-A-Thon, the Fargo Public Library, in partnership with UND's School of Medicine & Health Sciences, will host the traveling exhibit *Renaissance Science, Magic, and Medicine in Harry Potter's World*. Provided by the History of Medicine Division of the National Library of Medicine, this exceptional traveling exhibit will be on display at the **Main Library** from **Feb. 10 – March 21, 2020**.

Although a fantasy story, the magic in the Harry Potter books is partially based on Renaissance traditions that played an important role in the development of Western science and medicine. This exhibit explores the world of Harry Potter and its roots in Renaissance medicine, magic, and science. In addition, the library will provide six weeks of themed events for children, teens, and adults based on the magical world of Harry Potter!

■ **Tuesday, Feb. 11 – 6 p.m.**
Harry Potter Trivia at the **Main Library**. Costumes are encouraged. *Pre-registration is recommended*. Register online starting Jan. 11 or call 701-241-1492.

■ **Saturday, Feb. 15 – 1 to 3 p.m.**
Harry Potter Party at the **Main Library**. Open to kids of all ages; no registration is required.

■ **Thursday, Feb. 20 – 6 p.m.**
Great Science for Teens at the **Dr. James Carlson Library**. Open to teens in grades 6–12. *Pre-registration is required* and opens Feb. 3. Register online or contact Bree at 701-476-5978 for details.

■ **Saturday, Feb. 22 – 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.**
Harry Potter Escape Rooms (for kids) at the **Main Library**. Open to children in grades 1–6. *Pre-registration is required* and opens Jan. 22. Register online or call 701-241-1495.

■ **Tuesday, Feb. 25 – 7 p.m.**
Herbology: Crafting Never-die Plants for the Home at the **Main Library**. Open to teens (ages 11–18) and adults. *Pre-registration is required* and opens Jan. 25. Register online or call Drea at 701-241-1472 for details.

■ **Saturday, Feb. 29 – 10 a.m.**
Herbology: Growing Easy Houseplants of the Muggle World at the **Main Library**. Open to adults. *Pre-registration is required* and opens Jan. 29. Register online or call Drea at 701-241-1472 for details.

■ **Saturday, March 7 – 3 p.m.**
Magical Creature Crafts at the **Main Library**. Open to kids ages 6 to 12. *Pre-registration is required* and opens Feb. 7. Register online or call 701-241-1495.

■ **Monday, March 9 – 4 p.m.** at the **Main Library** & **Thursday, March 12 – 4 p.m.** at the **Northport Library**. **Teen Crafts: Harry Potter Winged Key Mobile**. Open to teens ages 11–18. *Pre-registration is required* and opens Feb. 9. Register online or contact Sara W. at 701-241-1492 for details.

■ **Saturday, March 21 – 2 p.m.**
Deathly Hallows Wreath Craft at the **Main Library**. Open to adults and teens (13+). *Pre-registration is required* and opens Feb. 21. Register online or call 701-241-1492.



Library Events & Notes...

(More events are listed at www.fargolibrary.org)

Main Library

102 3rd St. N.

Monday–Thursday9-9
Friday11-6
Saturday 9-6
Sunday 1-6

Dr. James Carlson Library Branch

2801 32nd Ave. S.

Monday–Thursday ...10-8
Friday11-6
Saturday9-6
Sunday1-6

Northport Branch

2714 N. Broadway

Monday–Thursday ...10-8
Friday11-6
Saturday9-6
Sunday Closed

Telephone Numbers

Administration 241-8277
Carlson Branch 476-4040
Children's Services 241-1495
Circulation Desk 241-1472
Information Desk 241-1492
Northport Branch 476-4026
Outreach 241-8111



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LIBRARY'S WINTER WRITING PROJECT RETURNS



Writers, start your engines! The Fargo Public Library is seeking submissions for our fourth annual Northern Narratives, a writing project that aims to inspire regional writers and serve as a community heirloom. Selected submissions will be included in the library's North Dakota Collection.

We are accepting submissions now through **March 25, 2020** in three categories: short story, essay, and poetry. The program is open to adults and teens 13 years or older. Please see additional information, including rules and guidelines on the library's website at

<http://fargond.gov/city-government/departments/library/adults/northern-narratives>.

2020 Submission Categories:

Short Stories: 1,500 – 6,000 words

Essays: 1,000 – 2,500 words

Poems: less than 750 words

All submissions must be original, unpublished, proofread, and edited works. All entries are final and will not be returned. The selection committee reserves the right to withhold publication at their discretion. Email us at NorthernNarratives@fargolibrary.org or call Sunny at 701-298-6956 if you have questions.

This project is generously supported by the Friends of the Fargo Public Library.

WRITING WORKSHOP WITH LARRY WOIWODE

Don't miss this rare opportunity to join award-winning author Larry Woiwode as he leads a writing workshop for all genres. Whether you write fiction, nonfiction, or poetry, the ND Poet Laureate and National Book Award finalist will help you take your chosen piece to the next level. Please bring one copy of a FINAL DRAFT to the workshop. This event is especially recommended for *Northern Narratives* participants. Refreshments will be provided. **Space is limited; pre-registration is required.** Register online or contact Andy at agustafson@fargolibrary.org or call 701-476-4040.

Saturday, Feb. 22 – Dr. James Carlson Library from 2 to 5 p.m.

WRITING WORKSHOP WITH MARCIE R. RENDON

Join us for a hands-on workshop with author Marcie R. Rendon. Participants will be asked to think and write from their own experiences, following the adage of 'write what you know'. Ms. Rendon will also discuss the process of writing within the context of your own culture and life experience with the goal of being published. This event is recommended for *Northern Narratives* participants. Participants should bring a laptop or notebook to write in. Refreshments will be provided. **Space is limited; pre-registration is required.** Register online or contact Melisa at mduncan@fargolibrary.org or call 701-476-4076.

Saturday, March 14 – Atomic Coffee (222 Broadway N., Fargo) from 1 to 3 p.m.

INTRODUCING NORTHERN FOCUS: FPL'S NEW PHOTOGRAPHY PROJECT

Grab your cameras and start clicking, because the library is hosting a photography project in conjunction with our *Northern Narratives* writing project. This spring we will ask regional photographers to send us their best work to grace our downtown location in a photo exhibit—and one lucky artist will get their photograph on the front cover of *Northern Narratives* 2020! Keep an eye on our website and social media for official rules and guidelines in the coming months.

No registration is required. If you have any questions before the official rules are released, contact Melisa at 701-476-4076.

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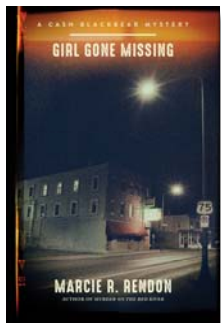
ANCESTRY.COM 101

Searching for your ancestors or curious about genealogy? Learn how to navigate the free library edition of Ancestry.com at two hands-on, 90-minute sessions. Laptops will be provided during workshops. **Space is limited; pre-registration is required.** Register online or contact 701-241-1492 for details.
Saturday, Jan. 18 – Dr. James Carlson Library at 10 a.m.
Monday, Jan. 27 – Dr. James Carlson Library at 6 p.m.

TEA TASTING

Explore some of the many unique teas available. Samples of four different teas from around the globe will be provided each month, along with brewing tips and relevant information on the background of that month's selection. This program is recommended for adults. **Pre-registration is required.** Contact Katrina at kgunderson@fargolibrary.org with any questions.
First Saturdays – Dr. James Carlson Library at 10 a.m.
Feb. 1, March 7, April 4, and May 2

AUTHOR VISIT WITH MARCIE R. RENDON



Regional author Marcie R. Rendon will visit the downtown Main Library for a reading and talk featuring her latest novel, *Girl Gone Missing*. A book signing will follow the event; books will be available for purchase. This event is free and open to the public. For details, contact Melisa at 701-476-4076 or email mduncan@fargolibrary.org.

Sunday, March 15 – Main Library at 2 p.m.

YO-YO MAN JOHN NARUM WILL VISIT APRIL 26

John Narum, World Yo-yo Champion and former top-100 contestant on America's Got Talent, will visit the downtown Main Library for a performance and workshop in April. All ages are welcome to this engaging performance. No registration is required. Contact Steve at 701-241-1492 with questions.

Sunday, April 26 – Main Library at 2 p.m.

90S TRIVIA AT THE LIBRARY

What do you know about the 90s? Test your trivia skills at our 90s trivia event for a chance to win prizes. We'll provide the snacks and nostalgia. Groups and individuals are welcome and no registration is required. Contact Sara W. at 701-298-6960 or email smeidinger@fargolibrary.org for details.

Saturday, April 18 – Main Library at 11 a.m.

ALEXANDER HAMILTON EXHIBIT: MARCH 31 – APRIL 28

Alexander Hamilton, one of America's most visionary founding fathers, is with us every day, not only in our wallets, on the \$10 bill, but also in the republic's most vital institutions. An exhibit honoring the statesman, scholar, and former Secretary of the Treasury will visit the **Main Library from March 31 to April 28**. *Alexander Hamilton: Immigrant, Patriot, Visionary*, a national traveling exhibition developed by the Gilder Lehrman Institute of American History and made possible by the Rockefeller Foundation, will examine Hamilton's role during the Revolutionary War and Founding period (1774-1804) in creating the economic, constitutional, social, journalistic, political, and foreign policy templates for modern America. It will acquaint visitors with a statesman and visionary whose life inspired discussion and controversy and shaped the America we live in two hundred years after his death.

YOUTH IN REVOLT: ALEXANDER HAMILTON AND COMING OF AGE IN THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION PRESENTATION APRIL 5

Join us as Donald Johnson, Assistant Professor of Early American History at NDSU uses the career of Alexander Hamilton and others, to explore how the American Revolution affected the lives of those who came of age during the political crisis that preceded it, the War that it led to, and the chaotic period that ensued.

At the dawn of the Revolution more than 1/3 of Americans were under the age of 24, and while older Revolutionaries like George Washington and Benjamin Franklin may have pioneered the ideology of rebellion, it fell to younger founders like Alexander Hamilton and James Madison to do much of the fighting and governing in the post-Revolutionary landscape. This presentation explores both how these peoples' lives were shaped by the Revolution and how those young people shaped the course of Revolutionary events.

Sunday, April 5 – Main Library at 2 p.m.

PATRIOTS' DAY CELEBRATION APRIL 19

Last year, Governor Burgum signed into law a bill recognizing the third Monday in April as Patriots' Day in ND. This day commemorates the start of the American Revolutionary War and the battles of Lexington and Concord. Jim Shaw was behind the push to recognize this special day. Learn more about the holiday and how it came to be when Shaw visits the Main Library on Sunday, April 19. Members of the Daughters of the American Revolution will also be joining Shaw, and kids can make a tricorne hat! This event is most appropriate for ages 5 and older.

Sunday, April 19 – Main Library at 2 p.m.

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FRIDAY MOVIES AT CARLSON



Free Friday movies return this fall to the Dr. James Carlson Library on the second Friday of each month. Movies start at **1 p.m.** in the community room. Free popcorn will be served. Upcoming dates and film titles:

- **Friday, Jan. 10** – *Peanut Butter Falcon* (PG-13)
- **Friday, Feb. 14** – *Queen of Katwe* (PG)
- **Friday, March 13** – *The Art of Racing in the Rain* (PG)
- **Friday, April 17** – *Judy* (PG-13)
- **Friday, May 8** – *Ad Astra* (PG-13)

AFTERNOONS WITH AUSTEN: JANE AUSTEN NOVELS AS FILMS

What better way to usher in a new film version of *Emma* (to be released in February 2020) than with a Jane Austen film series! Local film critic Matt Olien, along with film historian and former Concordia College Professor Tony McRae and his wife, Michele, will screen films featuring four adaptations of Jane Austen novels. A short discussion will follow each screening. Enjoy tea and popcorn during the films. **Bonus:** attendees can enter a drawing for a movie theatre gift card (the winner to be announced Monday, Feb. 24).

- **Sunday, Feb. 2** – *Sense and Sensibility* (1995, PG)
- **Sunday, Feb. 9** – *Pride & Prejudice* (2005, PG)
- **Sunday, Feb. 16** – *Mansfield Park* (1999, PG-13)
- **Sunday, Feb. 23** – *Emma* (1996, PG)

POETIC CINEMA: WRITERS ON SCREEN

Celebrate National Poetry Month at the library by attending our film series featuring world-renowned poets! Ranging from romance to documentary, these movies depict Reinaldo Arenas, Sylvia Plath, John Keats, and Maya Angelou. Watch award-winning actors and filmmakers dive deep into the lives of these extraordinary artists. Films begin at 2 p.m. at the Dr. James Carlson Library. Free popcorn, too! Contact Andy at agustafson@fargolibrary.org or at 701-476-4040.

- **Saturday, April 4** – *Before Night Falls* (2000, R)
- **Saturday, April 11** – *Sylvia* (2003, R)
- **Saturday, April 18** – *Bright Star* (2009, PG)
- **Saturday, April 25** – *Maya Angelou: And Still I Rise* (2016, Not Rated)

INDEPENDENT PUBLISHING PRESENTATION BY MARK HALE

In partnership with the Society of Children's Book Writers & Illustrators, the library welcomes author/illustrator Mark Hale for a session titled "Independent Publishing Options – Choosing Your Path to Success." Learn alternative ways, including preparation, to get your book published. Contact Cindy M. at 701-241-1495 with questions. No registration is required.

Saturday, Jan. 18 – Main Library at 2 p.m.

BEGINNER YOGA FOR ADULTS

This is a class for those who haven't tried yoga before or who want a refresher. Bring a yoga mat if you have one, or a large towel, and wear comfortable clothing. This program is recommended for adults. Email Lori at lwest@fargolibrary.org with questions. No registration is required.

Wednesdays – Dr. James Carlson Library at 6:30 p.m.
Jan. 8, 15, 22, and 29; Feb. 5, 12, 19, and 26; March 4, 11, 18, and 25; April 1, 8, 15, 22, and 29; May 6, 13, 20, and 27

Thursdays – Dr. James Carlson Library at 6:30 p.m.
Jan. 2, 9, and 23; Feb. 13; March 5, 12, 19, and 26; April 2, 9, 16, and 23; May 7, 21, and 28

RESTORATIVE YOGA CLASSES AT CARLSON

We have monthly, 90-minute Restorative Yoga classes for adults. Restorative yoga has potential benefits to every person, regardless of age, gender, or physical ability. Bring a yoga mat or a large towel and wear comfortable clothing. These classes are recommended for adults and no registration is required. For details, contact Lori at 701-476-5977.

Mondays – Dr. James Carlson Library at 6 p.m.
Jan. 6, Feb. 24, March 16, April 20, and May 18

GO GAME CLUB MEETS WEDNESDAY EVENINGS

Go is a Chinese board game with very simple rules. Players alternate placing a small stone on a grid and attempt to control space on a board. All ages and skill levels are welcome to play. For details, contact Steve at 701-241-1492.

Wednesdays – Main Library at 7:30 p.m.

LIBRARY'S CHESS CLUB

All ages and skill levels are invited to participate in the Fargo Public Library's Chess Club! Sessions are held Thursday evenings at the downtown Main Library. No pre-registration is required. For details, contact the Main Library Information Desk at 701-241-1492.

Thursdays – Main Library at 5:30 to 8:30 p.m.

Teen Events (For Teens 11 – 18 years old)

(More events are listed at www.fargolibrary.org)

TEEN TIME @ CARLSON STARTS JANUARY 14

Starting Jan. 14, teens and tweens, ages 10-18, are invited to come to the Dr. James Carlson Library, Tuesdays from 3:30 -5 p.m. Each week will have a new activity or project to work on. Teens can work independently, with a group, or just hang out. This series runs through Tuesday, April 28. Snacks will be provided. No registrations is required; contact Bree at 701-476-5978 for more info.

First Tuesdays: STEM – We'll work on fun STEM-based projects including coding, LEGOs, puzzles, or robotics.

Second Tuesdays: Arts & Crafts – Make a new item to take home with you. Painting, leatherwork, clay projects, and more!

Third Tuesdays: Book Love – Let's talk books! Be ready to chat about your current favorite books and series and go home with recommendations for what to read next!

Fourth Tuesdays: Wild Card – Fourth Tuesdays will have a random activity (science, craft, reading, games, or art).

NERF NIGHT AT THE LIBRARY

It's time to beat cabin fever and test your nerf skills. Precision/accuracy practice, strategy, and, finally, a nerf showdown in the library. For ages 10 to 15. **Pre-registration is required** and opens Jan. 1. Register online or contact Sarah N. at 701-241-8295 or at sknelson@fargolibrary.org.

Friday, January 24 – Dr. James Carlson Library

Sessions are at 6 p.m. & 6:50 p.m.

GIANT GAMES

Play your favorite games in giant style. Connect 4, Jenga, and Kerplunk will be among the options. **Pre-registration is required**; register online or contact Sara W. 701-298-6960 or smeidinger@fargolibrary.org for details.

Thursday, Jan. 30 – Dr. James Carlson Library

Sessions are at 4 p.m. & 6:30 p.m.

GREAT SCIENCE FOR TEENS: HARRY POTTER EDITION

We'll be hosting an all-new edition of Great Science for Teens led by Dr. Graeme Wyllie of Concordia College with a special Harry Potter theme just for teens. Open to teens ages 11 to 18. **Pre-registration is required**; register online or contact Bree at bschmidt@fargolibrary.org or call 701-476-5978 for details. Registration opens February 3.

Thursday, Feb. 20 – Dr. James Carlson Library at 6 p.m.

BOOKMARK DESIGN CONTEST FOR ARTISTS OF ALL AGES



Calling all artists! The Fargo Public Library's annual **Design-a-Bookmark Contest for kids, teens, and adults** begins **March 1**. Entry forms and contest rules can be picked up at any library location and will also be available on the library's website starting March 1. Entries will be accepted at all three library locations and must be submitted on or before Tuesday, March 31.

Library staff will vote to determine the winners of the contest; winners will be announced in mid-April. Winning bookmark designs will be printed and distributed at all three library locations. For further information, visit our website.

HARRY POTTER WINGED KEY MOBILE CRAFT

Make a Harry Potter winged key mobile for your favorite room. All materials will be supplied. **Pre-registration required**; register online or contact Sara W. at 701-298-6960 or smeidinger@fargolibrary.org for details.

Monday, March 9 – Main Library at 4 p.m.

Thursday, March 12 – Northport Library at 4 p.m.

ACRYLIC POUR PAINTING

Learn the basics of acrylic pour painting (also called fluid art), and two different pouring techniques while creating your own work of art. All materials will be provided. If you prefer, bring your own canvas (8x10), but this is not required (1 canvas per person will be made at this event). **Pre-registration is required**; please look for separate adult and teen registrations. Register online or contact Sara W. at 701-298-6960 or smeidinger@fargolibrary.org for details.

Thursday, April 30 – Dr. James Carlson Library at 6 p.m.

Saturday, May 2 – Northport Library at 3 p.m.

TINY TEA PARTY

Teens & 'tweens (ages 10 to 15) and their adults are invited to a tea party celebrating cute and tiny things. There will be mini treats and tiny crafts. All materials will be provided.

Pre-registration is required and opens April 9. Register online or contact Sarah N. at 701-241-8295 or email sknelson@fargolibrary.org for details.

Saturday, May 9 – Main Library at 11 a.m.

Book Clubs...

(More events are listed at www.fargolibrary.org)

READING THE WORLD BOOK CLUB



The library's Reading the World Book Club is open to all interested readers. Discussions center on books from a non-Western perspective and are a mix of fiction, memoir, and travel literature. Copies of the titles are available at the Main Library, while supplies last. Contact Beth at email bpostema@fargolibrary.org for a list of upcoming titles.

Meets: 1st Thursday at the Main Library at 7 p.m.

Feb. 6 – *Washington Black* by Esi Edugyan

March 5 – *Bangkok Wakes to Rain* by Pitchaya Sudbanthad

April 2 – *I Was Their American Dream: A Graphic Memoir* by Malaka Gharib

May 7 – *The Great Believers* by Rebecca Makkai

TEA TIME BOOK CLUB

All interested readers are welcome. Tea and dessert are served at each session; bring a favorite teacup. Additional copies of each month's book are available, while supplies last. For a list of upcoming titles, contact Jenilee at jkanenwisher@fargolibrary.org.

Meets: 2nd Monday at the Dr. James Carlson Library at 6:30 p.m.

Jan. 13 – *Kitchen* by Banana Yoshimoto

Feb. 10 – *The Lost Man* by Jane Harper

March 9 – *What Is Not Yours Is Not Yours* by Helen Oyeyemi

April 13 – *Evvie Drake Starts Over* by Linda Holmes

May 11 – *Enchanted Islands* by Allison Amend

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Y.A. BOOK CLUB



This is a quarterly book club designed for young adults ages 15 to 20 years old. Snacks will be provided, and no registration is required. Copies of the book can be picked up at the Main Library Circulation Desk. For details, contact Sara M. at 701-298-6960.

Monday, March 23 – **Dr. James Carlson Library at 6:30 p.m.**

Title: *We Hunt the Flame* by Hafsa Faizal

NORTHPORT CLASSICS BOOK CLUB

Northport Classics Book Club is an informal book discussion group that meets the third Wednesday of each month (September–May) at the Northport Library. Contact Lori at lwest@fargolibrary.org for a list of upcoming titles.

Meets: 3rd Wednesday at the Northport Library at 6:30 p.m.

Jan. 15 – *A Confederacy of Dunces* by John Kennedy Toole

Feb. 19 – *Beloved* by Toni Morrison

March 18 – *Martin Eden* by Jack London

April 15 – *The Time Machine* by H.G. Wells

May 20 – *The Age of Innocence* by Edith Wharton

HISTORY BOOK CLUB

Interested in recent historical events and the people, places, and actions that caused them? The History Book Club welcomes all interested readers. Additional copies of each month's book are available, while supplies last. Contact Steve at 701-241-1492 for a list of upcoming titles.

Meets: last Tuesday of the month at the Main Library at 7 p.m.

Jan. 28 – *Pictures at a Revolution: Five Movies and the Birth of the New Hollywood* by Mark Harris

Feb. 25 – *Checkpoint Charlie: The Cold War, the Berlin Wall and the Most Dangerous Place on Earth* by Iain MacGregor

March 30 – *Guarded Gate: Bigotry, Eugenics, and the Law That Kept Two Generations of Jews, Italians, and Other European Immigrants Out of America* by Daniel Okrent

April 28 – Title to be announced

May 26 – Title to be announced



Find ALL of the events for Kids & Families in the
Children's Chapter newsletter!
Pick one up at any FPL location or view it online.

CASUAL CRAFTERS

Calling all crafters from beginners to experienced! Drop in any time, bring a project, and join a friendly group of crafters of all types – from yarn and needles to paper and ink. Not working on a craft at the moment? We'll have some supplies on hand! No registration is required. Snacks and beverages will be provided or feel free to bring your own. Contact Amanda at 701-241-1354 for more information.

**Sundays from 1 to 3:30 p.m. at the Dr. James Carlson Library
Jan. 12, Feb. 9, March 8, April 5, and May 3**

**Mondays from 5 to 7:30 p.m. at the Northport Library
Jan. 27, Feb. 24, March 23, and April 27**

COZY CRAFTS - RETRO EDITION!

Everything old is new again with a workshop series bringing back some favorite crafts from the past. These workshops are recommended for adults. All supplies will be provided. **Registration is required.** Call 701-241-1492 for details.

▪ *Ripple Crochet*

Are you a fan of throw-back throws? Learn how to crochet a retro ripple – great for scarves and afghans. This class is intended for beginner to intermediate – crochet experience is helpful, but not required. Registration opens December 19.

Thursday, Jan. 9 – Main Library at 6:30 p.m.

Saturday, Jan. 11 – Northport Library at 2 p.m.

▪ *Macramé Pendants*

The craze of the '70s is back! This time around you can learn a few basic knots to make a macramé pendant or key chain. Registration opens December 26.

Thursday, Jan. 16 – Dr. James Carlson Library at 6:30 p.m.

Saturday, Jan. 18 – Northport Library at 2 p.m.

▪ *Rag Rugs*

Got some extra fabric lying around? Do you want to learn a new skill? Join us at the Fargo Public Library to learn how to transform old T-shirts or worn sheets into something new using a latch hook - no sewing needed! This skill is sure to warm up any cold floor and add a splash of color! Registration opens January 9.

Thursday, Jan. 30 – Main Library at 6:30 p.m.

Saturday, Feb. 1 – Dr. James Carlson Library at 2 p.m.

▪ *Plastic Canvas Bookmarks*

Looking for an easy form of needlework? Plastic canvas might be just the thing! Learn basic techniques to make a bookmark. Registration opens January 16.

Thursday, Feb. 6 – Dr. James Carlson Library at 6:30 p.m.

Saturday, Feb. 8 – Main Library at 2 p.m.

LET IT SNOW! WREATH



Don't let winter get you down - make a beautiful wreath that celebrates the season! The program is recommended for adults. Registration opens January 2. Contact Jenilee at jkanenwisher@fargolibrary.org for details.

Thursday, Jan. 23 – Main Library at 6:30 p.m.

Saturday, Jan. 25 – Northport Library at 10 a.m.

GALENTINE'S DAY

“What’s Galentine’s Day? Oh, it’s only the best day of the year!” says Leslie Knope. Open to gals and guys, we’ll be celebrating friendship Parks and Rec style! Join us, all you beautiful tropical fish, for a waffle bar, faux-mosas, a treat-yo’self-station, and more! No registration is required. Open to teens and adults. Contact Jenilee at jkanenwisher@fargolibrary.org with questions.

Thursday, Feb. 13 – Main Library at 6:30 p.m.

QUILLING

Learn the basic techniques of quilling and make a flower and bookmark to take home. This program is recommended for adults. Registration opens February 20. Contact Jenilee at jkanenwisher@fargolibrary.org for details.

Thursday, March 12 – Main Library at 6:30 p.m.

Saturday, March 14 – Dr. James Carlson Library at 10 a.m.

LEATHER BOOKMARKS

Celebrate your love of books and reading by making a stamped leather bookmark. This program is recommended for adults. Registration opens April 2. Contact Jenilee at jkanenwisher@fargolibrary.org for details.

Thursday, April 23 – Main Library at 6:30 p.m.

Saturday, April 25 – Northport Library at 10 a.m.

SPOON WREATH

Make an eye-catching spring wreath out of an unlikely material – spoons! This program is for adults. Registration opens April 23. Contact Jenilee at jkanenwisher@fargolibrary.org for details.

Thursday, May 14 – Dr. James Carlson Library at 6:30 p.m.

Saturday, May 16 – Main Library at 10 a.m.

Notes & Outside-the-Library Events...

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Outside-the-FPL Events

SILENT READING PARTY @ WILD TERRA

B.Y.O.Book (or pick a librarian-selected title), order a beverage, and read together—independently. Pick a cozy spot in Wild Terra's loft area and read uninterrupted. Library staff will be on hand to check out books and provide snacks. **Please note:** *this event is for adults (21+)*. For details, call 701-241-8295. **Sunday, Feb. 2 – Wild Terra (6 12th St. N.) from 2 to 4 p.m.**

COMING THIS SPRING: OUR SEED LIBRARY IS BACK!

Are you new to gardening and don't know where to start? Tired of growing the same varieties? Try out some seeds for free! Once again, the Fargo Public Library will offer a variety of vegetable, herb, and flower seeds to the public, while supplies last (limit of 5 packets per person). Contact Sunny at 701-241-1472.

BE A LIBRARY VOLUNTEER

All it takes to be a library hero is a few hours, two days a month. That's it! You can be a hero by taking the library out to people who love to read but can't get to the library themselves. Through the Fargo Public Library's Outreach program, readers at local senior centers, nursing homes, and senior apartments get books, movies, music, and information about the world. And you get to be a hero. No cape necessary. To get your hero on, contact Volunteer Coordinator Pam Strait at pstrait@fargolibrary.org or call 701-241-8111.

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FARGO PUBLIC LIBRARY ENDOWMENT FUND

The Fargo Public Library serves as a vital center of knowledge and is an integral part of our vibrant community. A social and intellectual gathering place for everyone, the Fargo Public Library provides lifelong learning opportunities and library resources for all. Gifts to the library's endowment fund will continue to enhance and enrich library programs and library experiences for future generations.

If you are interested in giving to the library's endowment fund, or if you need additional information regarding the library's endowment fund, please contact Library Director Tim Dirks at 701-241-1493 or email tdirks@fargolibrary.org.

Donations to the Fargo Public Library Endowment Fund are eligible for the North Dakota Charitable Income Tax Credit. Consult your tax advisor for more information, or call the FM Area Foundation at 701-234-0756.



Find ALL of the events for Kids & Families in the *Children's Chapter* newsletter! Pick one up at any FPL location or view it online.

PARKING @ YOUR DOWNTOWN MAIN LIBRARY

Parking is available in the downtown Main Library's west parking lot along 4th Street North. More parking can be found in the City Hall/Library parking lot located east of the building along 3rd Street North. Library patrons park for free when using these lots each day. These spots have a 3-hour time limit in order to accommodate as many library patrons as possible each day. *Handicapped parking spaces are available in both parking lots.*



Sodbuster is now installed, and we thank you for your patience during the installation. We have easy (& FREE!) parking at the downtown Main Library for you.