

December 2025 - February 2026

Town Hall Library Newsletter



When the snow falls and the wind bites, Town Hall Library is the perfect place to escape to. We are here to **make the chilly months a little warmer.**

Let the Library be your cozy corner this snowy season.

How? We have some ideas:

- Find a nook and curl up with a new book.
- Color a coloring sheet (options for kids and adults!)
- Clear your mind by working on the puzzle.
- Try a new recipe from one of the cooking magazines.
- Converse with another Library patron.
- Borrow a chess set and learn to play at home!
- Check out a DVD for cold winter nights.
- Embrace your creative side at a Makerspace Monday.



Library of Things Policy Update

To ensure items in our Library of Things collection are available to and in good condition for all patrons, we've updated our policies.

As of November 2025, most Library of Things items have a late fee charge. All items are required to be returned inside of the Town Hall Library. Patrons will be charged replacement costs for lost and/or damaged pieces or items.

The updated policy is posted on our website under ["About - Policies & Plan"](#).



NEW Library of Things Item: Nintendo Switch Games



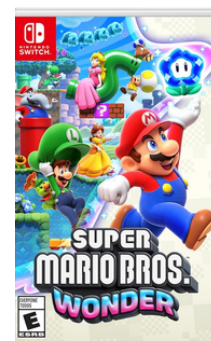
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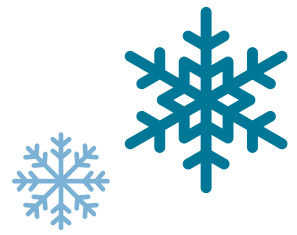
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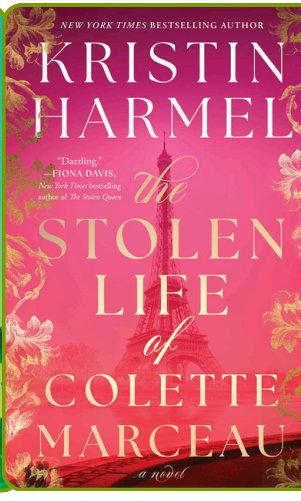
Not only will we have Nintendo Switch games available for check out - we will have opportunities for in-Library gaming, too! Thanks to a grant from the Bridges Library System, **we now have a Nintendo Switch console and select games in our Makerspace.** More information on gaming sign-ups and programs coming soon!

Staff Favorites from 2025

Library staff members submitted their favorite books published in 2025. Add these picks to your growing to-be-read list!



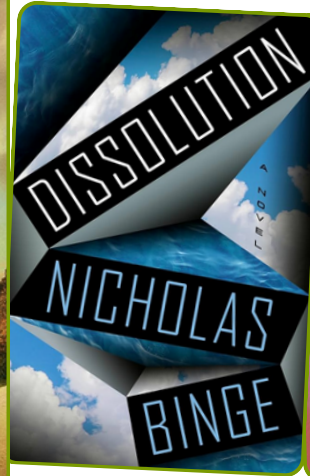
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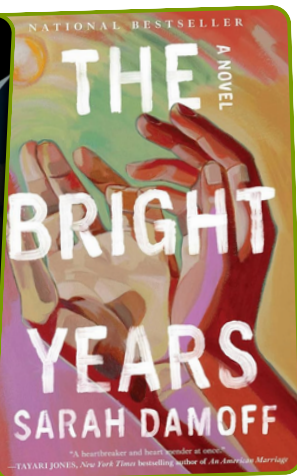
MARIANNE



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MICHELLE



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Welcome Matt Amenda!

Say hello to Matt, our new Youth Services Librarian!

Fun Fact: Matt received his Masters in Library Services in Ireland. While in school, he was a tour guide at the oldest public library in Ireland: Marsh's Library, founded in 1707.

Favorite Book: "Treasure Island" by Robert Louis Stevenson



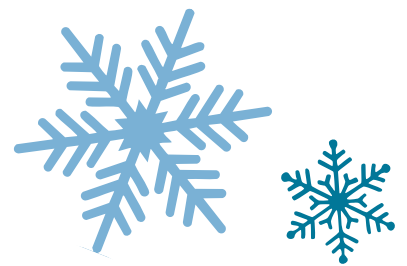
Winter Reading Challenge

MONDAY, JANUARY 5 - WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 11

Kick off your 2026 reading goals with a Winter Reading Challenge at the Library! Completed logs will earn you prizes like books, Disney on Ice tickets and more! Visit our website for more details.

A Story from the Stacks

Chelsea Rotzoll, a newer patron, shares how Town Hall Library has become a regular part of her homeschooling:



“A friend had such tremendous things to say about THL, that I decided to meet her there a few months ago. She was absolutely right - THL is an inviting and inspiring library with extensive resources for adults and children. **Being a homeschool mom of 3 girls, I am always looking for ways to dive deeper into topics we are learning and THL provides ways to achieve that.** In their children’s area, THL offers many engaging books and ways to be creative in the Makerspace room.

HOMESCHOOL PROGRAM

EVERY OTHER
TUESDAY
9:30-10:30AM

Join other homeschool families for a themed storytime, lesson and hands-on activity.



Upon my second visit, as I was talking to the Library’s director, Kaushalya, I was asked where my children attend school. When I mentioned we homeschool, she quickly put into action the idea of making a homeschool program to partner with homeschool families in the area.

I was amazed at the library’s eagerness to use their children’s area to help homeschooling families and now we meet every other week for a homeschool class.”

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Mon–Thurs: 9am–8pm

Friday: 9am–5pm

Saturday: 9am–1pm

Sunday: Closed

