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Adults

Coming this January to High Plains Library District branches, the Adult Winter Reading Program invites you to travel the world with a few good books. What better way to take a vacation than to cozy up with a good read, and let your mind wander distant (or not-so-distant) lands in search of adventure. The Winter Reading Program will run January 1 through February 28, and will give you a chance to earn rewards for your time spent reading. Stay tuned for more details in the January edition of the High Plains Library District E-Newsletter.

Book Clubs

Looking for a book club or film discussion group to join? Check out these clubs to find a discussion group that matches your interests, or get started with our online book clubs. Drop-in and visit the club of your choice. New members are always welcome. Visit the [Books, DVDs, CDs page of MyLibrary.us](#) to view more information on each club.

Book Lovers' Book Club **Carbon Valley Regional Library**

6:00 pm, December 29

A Prayer for Owen Meany by John Irving

Book Lovers' Book Club **Erie Community Library**

11:00 am, December 8

Bring your lunch. Beverage provided.

Centennial Park Evening Book Club**Centennial Park Library**

6:30 pm, December 14

Select a Christmas themed book.

Farr Evening Book Club**Farr Regional Library**

6:30 pm, December 16

Farr Non-Fiction Book Club**Farr Regional Library**

1:00 pm, December 7

Farr Tuesday Afternoon Book Club**Farr Regional Library**

1:30 pm, December 15

Great Books Reading and Discussion Program**Centennial Park Library**

2:00 pm, December 28

On Tragedy by Aristotle**Mystery at Lunch Book Club****Centennial Park Library**

11:30 am, December 10

Reader's Choice

Off the Shelf Online Book Club**Carbon Valley Regional Library**<http://offtheshelfbookclub.blogspot.com>

Current book available for the first of each month

Popular Fiction Book Club**Erie Community Library**

11:30 am, December 16

Bring your sack lunch; we'll provide the beverages.

Tri-Town Seniors Book Club**Carbon Valley Regional Library**

10:00 am, December 23

This club meets at the Prairie Greens Club House in Frederick.

Programs

(R) indicates registration is required.

Carbon Valley Regional Library

Family Film Night

6:00 pm, December 3

Please note new program time.

Up (Rated PG, 96 minutes)

Carl Fredrickson spent his entire life dreaming of exploring the globe and now in his 78th year he launches his house into the sky via thousands of balloons. Right after liftoff he discovers he has a stowaway in the form of an over optimistic 8-year-old Wilderness Explorer named Russell. This hilarious journey takes you into a lost world with the least likely duo on Earth. Popcorn and drinks provided.



Writer's Group: Screenwriting

(adults and teens)

6:00 pm, December 8

Are you interested in writing? Sharing your ideas with others? Want to learn how to get published? Then come and join us for this new group of enthusiastic, passionate, avid and eager writers who focus on a different topic each month. Bring dinner if you like; beverages will be available.

Jeff Wahl - Live in Concert

(all ages)

1:00 pm, December 19

Join us for a free concert at the library! Jeff Wahl is a virtuosic solo guitarist whose compositions are influenced by Folk, Jazz, New Age, Classical, and even Indian Ragas. His unique style and mastery of the instrument gives the impression that multiple guitars are being played at the same time.



Centennial Park Library

The Job Corner

9:00 am-4:00 pm and 7:00-9:00 pm, Monday-Thursday

10:00 am-5:00 pm, Friday and Saturday

1:00 pm-5:00 pm, Sunday

The Job Corner is available for many of your job search needs. We offer Resume Maker, print and database resources, and a friendly word of encouragement to help you land that perfect job. A world of opportunity awaits you so stop by today. Located in the Resource Center.

Meditation Class

4:30 pm, Thursdays

Jeannie Meyers from Re-laxation Unwind Meditation will lead a half hour meditation class each Thursday afternoon. Patrons are encouraged to take time off from their hectic week to relax, unwind and rejuvenate themselves.

High Plains Job Network

10:30 am, Fridays

Looking for a job can be a lonely and alienating experience. Join our weekly support group for individuals who are currently looking for a job and would like to network with other job seekers. Come and share your experience with others. Coffee and tea provided.

Page to Screen Film Discussion

5:30 pm, December 1

The Painted Veil (Rated PG-13; 125 minutes)

When restless Londoner Kitty Fane finds that her husband is more interested in his research than her, she has an affair with a local playboy. This act leads her on a journey of self discovery that carries her to the Far East where she becomes involved in the fight against cholera. Screenings will be followed by a discussion of the film adaptation.

Zumba with Amy

(all ages)

4:00 pm, December 4, 11, and 18

Join us for these free Zumba sessions sponsored by the HPLD Wellness Program. Zumba is a fitness program that fuses hypnotic Latin rhythms and easy-to-follow moves to create a one-of-a-kind workout that will blow you away. The routines feature interval training sessions where fast and slow rhythms and resistance training are combined to tone and sculpt your body while burning fat. Add some Latin flavor and international zest into the mix and you've got a Zumba class. It's an absolute blast in one exciting hour of calorie-burning, body-energizing, awe-inspiring movements meant to engage and captivate for live. Please wear comfortable clothing, tennis shoes, and bring water.



Knitter's Circle

(ages 18 and up)

6:30 pm, December 7

All needleworkers welcome! Bring your knitting needles, crochet hooks, or any type of needlework and join us. All skill levels welcome. Share your creative experience and your company. Library craft books will be available for reference.



Erie Winterfest: Little Town on the Prairie™

11:00 am, December 5

In partnership with Erie Rotary, the Erie Community Library will host the following events:

11:00 am - Professional educator Connie Ryle Neumann presents 'Laura's Christmas Memories.' Connie will read selections from the Little House™ books and talk about the pioneer life of beloved classic children's author Laura Ingalls Wilder. This program is for children over age 5 and their parents in the Living Room.

11:00 am - A special Little House™ storytime for young children in the Storytime Room.

Win tickets to the *Little House on the Prairie, The Musical*, starring Melissa Gilbert as Ma, (tickets generously donated by Denver Center for the Performing Arts) and enter a drawing for a full-color collector's edition of *By the Shores of Silver Lake*.

Listen to holiday music and enjoy library displays featuring books, audiobooks, videos and information about the life of author Laura Ingalls Wilder.

Refreshments will be available in the library throughout the day.

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Farr Regional Library

Eco-Ornaments (R)

(all ages)

5:00 pm, December 3

Help Farr decorate for the holidays! Create beautiful ornaments from soda cans and tree and angel figures out of old magazines. Finished products will be displayed on trees and other areas in the library. Drop in anytime during the event to work on your masterpiece. All ages are welcome, but participants must be able to work, supervised or unsupervised, with scissors and sharp objects.

Farr Film Discussion

6:30 pm, December 4

Star Trek (Rated PG-13, 127 minutes)

In this prequel, we meet James T. Kirk, Spock, Bones, Uhura and the rest of the group who will become the famed crew of the Starship Enterprise. This film follows the early days and struggles of the team on their first mission out of Starfleet Academy.

Gingerbread Houses (R)

(ages 8 and up)

6:00-7:30 pm, December 10

Join us for an evening of decorating gingerbread houses! Marilyn White from Marilyn's Cake Creations will guide you with step-by-step instructions for making your very own gingerbread creation. Supplies will be provided.

Family Movie

2:00-4:00 pm, December 12

Dr. Suess' *How the Grinch Stole Christmas* (Rated PG, 102 minutes)

Lincoln Park Library

Language Café

2:00 pm, Saturdays

Are you learning English as a second language? The Language Café at Lincoln Park is for you! Come enjoy a cup of coffee as you practice English conversation with others who are learning the language.

The Joy of Gingerbread (R)

(ages 8 - adult)

2:00-4:00 pm, December 12

Enjoy a traditional holiday treat when Marilyn White of "Marilyn's Cake Creations" demonstrates the art of making gingerbread houses. After learning the basic techniques, you'll get to decorate your own graham-cracker house with frosting and a variety of colorful candies.

