

# Cover to Cover

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## *Director's Message*

I guess reflecting comes a little easier at this time of year when considering where we've been and where we wish to go. And while 2021 was a busy year at RPL (joining Evergreen, adding Overdrive, and returning face-to-face programming) the highlight for us was having friends and patrons back in the building, catching up as only Midwesterners can do. For that we'd like to say, "Thank you." Thank you for spending your precious time with us. Thank you for checking out our books and materials. Thank you for attending our programs and most importantly, thank you for supporting RPL in all the ways you do. We had a GREAT year and it's because of you!

2022 starts off with a bang. We begin the year with a yearlong reading challenge, a call for starting or keeping a reading journal and a variety of programs in January and February that really does offer something for everyone.

Happy Reading,

*Nicki*

## **Rushville Public Library**

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### **Hours**

**Monday-Thursday 8:30 a-6:30p  
Friday 8:30 a-5pm  
Saturday 9am-3pm  
Sunday Closed**

**Closed Monday, January 17, for  
Martin Luther King Day**

**Closed Monday, February 21, for  
President's Day**

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## 2022 RPL Reading Challenge

Challenge yourself to read more books or read out of your comfort zone by participating in our first annual reading challenge. Use the next 12 months to read and fill out your bingo card. All fully completed cards turned in by December 31, 2022 will be eligible in our drawing for a \$25 gift certificate. Book recommendations for all 25 categories and rules are available on the RPL website under the “Programs and Events” button. Bingo cards (online and at RPL) as well as the corresponding website will be made available on January 3.



## 2022 RPL Reading Journal

Make 2022 the Year of Reading! Do you keep a record of what you read? If not, try the RPL Reading Journal this year. Our journal has it all! Prompts to help you figure out what kind of reader you are, tips to find more time to read, a 52-book reading tracker, a TBR (to be read) section and lots more. Get your reading journal at the RPL circulation desk for only \$2.00 while our limited supplies last.

### What Is Your Reading Goal(s) for the New Year?

- 1. Read more books** If you're wanting to increase the number of books you read have a number to shoot for. Even if you fall short, you'll probably read more than you would have without a goal.
- 2. Read more pages** If you're the type of reader who worries about being caught up in books, are they choose wider, easier reads over say, a old classic, this might be the quantity goal for you.
- 3. Read consistently** Instead of doing out reading time whenever something else falls through? Figure out where those extra minutes can come from. Even if it's just an extra five minutes a day those minutes add up over a year.
- 4. Read more genres** If you tend to read the same genres try to break out of the mold. There's no such thing as reading in book publishing you don't even have to quit your genre sold better. The library is happy to help you find books to bridge the gap.
- 5. Become a completist** Is there an author you really enjoy? Why not read their backlist (everything they've published up to present)?
- 6. Broaden your perspective** Explore reading works of authors whose race, ethnicity, culture, country, and background are different than yours. You'll be expanding your reading horizons and learning about people different than you also new understanding or challenge your own beliefs and interpretations. Reading builds empathy!

### Reading Habit Tracker

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## **Winter Activities at RPL**

### **Month of January**

**Come sit a spell and work on our book themed jigsaw puzzles located in the main room of RPL. All are invited to put in a piece or two (or more) if you're so inclined.**

### **Month of February**

**We take the idea of a puzzle and put it on the wall—literally! Get a sheet of stickers from the circulation desk and use them to fill in our GIGANTIC mosaic snowflake puzzle on display in the foyer. This fun activity is for all ages and with over 3,000 stickers is a community wide art/puzzle project. Just ask us for a sheet!**



# Adult Programming

## Elks Club Trivia Night with the Library

Rushville Elks Club—223 E 3rd St

Friday, January 21, 7-9:30 pm

Put on your thinking caps and bring all of your smartest friends to Trivia Night at the Elks. The evening's questions focus on the 70's and 80's and the library staff will be doing the asking! It'll be like, a totally rad night out...if you can dig it.

## Get Ready to Garden

Saturday, February 19, 10:00 am at RPL

Join our Seed Starting class with Joyce Miller, Master Gardener.

RSVP by calling us at 765-932-3496 or through our website.

## ABC ( Adult Book Club)

January Book Club—Wednesday, January 5, 10-11:00 am


### Next Year in Havana by Chanel Cleeton

After the death of her beloved grandmother, a Cuban-American woman travels to Havana, where she discovers the roots of her identity—and unearths a family secret hidden since the revolution.

February Book Club—Wednesday, February 2, 10-11:00 am

### The Year We Left Home by Jean Thompson

Stretching from the early 1970's in the Iowa farmlands to suburban Chicago and across the map of contemporary America, *The Year We Left Home* follows the Erickson siblings as they confront prosperity and heartbreak, setbacks and triumphs, and seek their place in a country whose only constant seems to be breathtaking change.





## YOUNG ADULT EVENTS

January 14, 5-7:00 pm

**Spa Day**—Start the New Year off right by joining us for the full spa experience. Spa day will include facials, hot towels, and manicures! Spa snacks and smoothies will be served.

February 11, 5-7:00 pm

**Anti-Valentine's Day**—Yes, this is a made-up holiday because dates are stupid on Valentines Day. That means you don't need a date for this program! Instead, bring your friends and we'll decorate various glasses, make anti-Valentine's Day cards, and pose in our photo booth!

These programs are **FREE** for teens. Snacks will be provided.

## INFANT AND TODDLER EVENTS

Session 3 of Story Time with Miss Pam will begin on Thursday, February 10.

Ages: Infant through Pre-K

Call us at (765) 932-3496 or come in to see us for more information.

## CHILDREN'S EVENTS

### GRADES K-2

Calling all K-2nd parents & caregivers!!

What types of programs should we offer to our K-2 patrons?

We know you have some great ideas, so let us know about them through Facebook, email, face-to-face or give us a call!

## CHILDREN'S EVENTS

### GRADES 3-6

#### Gaming Club

#### January — Mario Kart Party

Who's the best of the best? Join us for a Mario Kart party on Wednesday, January 26, from 3:15-4:15 pm. Will you be the best?

Please RSVP at 765-932-3496.

#### February — Rube Goldberg with Building Blocks

Use your creativity and imagination to build a Rube Goldberg machine.

Please RSVP at 765-932-3496

Join Miss Melisa from 3:15 to 4:15 pm on the 4th Wednesday of each month to play games and have some snacks.

This is a FREE program



## **FYI**

### **Top Ten Most Common New Year's Resolutions**

1. Exercise more
2. Lose weight
3. Get organized
4. Learn a new skill or hobby
5. Live life to the fullest
6. Save more money / spend less money
7. Quit smoking
8. Spend more time with family and friends
9. Travel more
10. Read more

We have a book to help you with all of these!

### **FUN THINGS TO DO IN WINTER**

Snuggle up with a blanket and a good book

Build a snowman, snow fort, or snow sculpture

Go sledding or tubing

Drink hot chocolate

Ice skate

### **Did You Know...?**

Red squirrels make mushroom jerky to prepare for the winter.

People born during winter months are less irritable.

Thundersnow is a rare, but real, weather phenomenon.

In Finland, you can stay in glass igloos during winter to watch the Northern Lights.

There's an annual International Hair Freezing Contest in Canada every February.

At least a septillion snowflakes fall from the sky every year.

The tallest snowperson on record stood over 122 feet

Winter increases your appetite.

The first Winter Olympics were held in the French Alps in 1924.

The largest snow maze on record was more than 30,000 square feet.

The largest snowball fight ever involved 7,681 people