Holiday Closings

The Library will be **closed Saturday, Dec. 23th through Monday, Dec. 25th** for Christmas. We will reopen Tuesday, Dec. 26th at 9:00 a.m.

The Library will also be **closed Monday, Jan. 1st** for New Years Day. We will reopen Tuesday Jan. 2nd at 9:00 a.m.

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**Dolly Parton Imagination Library**

We are happy to announce that Thorntown Public Library and nonprofit Friends of the Thorntown Library, have officially brought Dolly Parton’s Imagination Library to Thorntown and the surrounding area. Children under 5 years old who live in the 46071, 46147 and 46102 zip codes can get a free book delivered to their mailbox every month beginning in 2024.

Each child receives the same introductory book, which happens to be Dolly's favorite children's story, "The Little Engine That Could," by Wally Piper. If you know someone that could benefit from this program, spread the news! People interested in learning more about Dolly Parton’s Imagination Library or who would like to register a child should visit [www.imaginationlibrary.com](http://www.imaginationlibrary.com) or fill out a form at the library.

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**Thorntown Heritage Museum Christmas**

Visit the Thorntown Heritage Museum on December 14 & 15, from 3:30-5:30 p.m. for a Christmas celebration. The Museum will be hosting a "Thorntown Heritage Museum Christmas". Come take a tour to see the collection and some antique Christmas decorations. While you are there, you can do a Christmas craft, making decorations similar to what families would have had in their homes in the 1830’s. You can also take a craft home to do in your spare time. This program is FREE and open to all ages.
December Book Discussion

Book discussion meets on the second Monday of each month and is open to all adult readers, even those who haven’t completed the reading. On December 11, at 1:30 the book club will meet in the meeting rooms to discuss a Christmas Mystery title of your choice by the author Anne Perry.

Anne Perry, born Juliet Hulme in England, lived in Scotland most of her life. A beloved mystery author, she is best known for her Thomas Pitt and William Monk series.

Her first novel, "The Cater Street Hangman", was published in 1979. Her works extend to several categories of genre fiction, including historical mysteries. Many of them feature recurring characters, most importantly Thomas Pitt and amnesiac private investigator William Monk, who first appeared in 1990, "The Face Of A Stranger".

Anne’s Christmas novellas are shorter, and each one happens just before Christmas, and feature one of the minor characters from her Victorian stories. They have various settings, a crime to be solved, and a resolution and happy ending just as the church bells ring at midnight on Christmas morning.

Gourd-geous Holidays

The Sugar Creek Gourd Patch will continue creating gourd-geous projects on December 6 and 20 from 2-4:00 p.m. in the library meeting rooms. Christmas ornaments are planned, and gourds and supplies will be available. For Jan 3 and 17, various snowflake patterns may be transferred to gourds. There is no fee for participation, but call Karen at the library to let her know you plan to attend; this will assure that adequate supplies are on hand.

TPL Puzzle Showdown

January 6

Teams of four will compete to see who can complete a 500-piece puzzle first! Registration is required. Individuals who do not have a team are encouraged to participate - teams will be randomly assigned prior to the event. Prizes awarded for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place!

Register through LibraryCalendar (https://thorntown.librarycalendar.com/event/puzzle-showdown-3743) or by signing up at the adult circulation desk. The Puzzle Showdown begins promptly at 2:00 p.m. in library meeting rooms.
2023 Annual Reading Challenge

There’s still time for readers to meet their 2023 reading goals! If you’ve signed up for the Annual Reading Challenge, be sure to stop by the circulation desk to log your final numbers before the end of the year. Those who meet (or exceed) their 2023 goal will receive a reward in January! Start thinking of your 2024 pledges, too!

Youth Winter Reading

Are you a smart cookie? Find out during our winter reading program that runs from December 18 to January 31. Sign up at the youth desk and receive your reading log. Earn a cookie to go on a bulletin board for every hour you read. Read for a total of 6 hours to receive a **FREE** book. (can be done 2x)

Year of Euchre - 2023

Thank you to everyone who attended Euchre Night in 2023! There is no Euchre Night in December. The next Euchre Night will be January 27, in the library meeting rooms. Sign-in begins at 5:30, and play starts at 6:00 p.m.

Please register by visiting or calling the library, 436-7348. You can also register online through the library calendar. There is a $10 buy-in fee to be collected when you arrive. Please brush up on your euchre skills if it has been a while since you have played, and plan to stay to the end. We will play 6 to 7 games, which will be approximately 3 hours. Single players are welcome. Please bring a food or snack to share and dollar bills for the “Kitty”.

Thorntown Euchre players raised $2,812 in 2023 for the following groups & organizations:

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### New Materials @ TPL

**ADULT NONFICTION**

- On Censorship - Larue - 025.213 LAR
- Is God Real? - Strobel - 231 STR
- Immigration - Bon Tempo - 304.873 BON
- People of the World - Howell - 305.8 HOW
- Merriam-Webster Collegiate Dictionary - 423 MER
- Common American Idioms - 423.13 COM
- The Mini ADHD Coach - Gendron - 616.8589 GEN
- The New Complete Dog Book - 636.7 AKC
- Taste of Home Annual Recipes, 2024 - 641.5 TAS
- Cruising & Cruise Ships - Ward - 910.45 WAR
- Route 66 Adventure Handbook - Knowles - 917.8 KNO
- Southwest USA - 917.9 SOU
- A Sea Between Us - Periera - 921 PER
- The Woman in Me - Spears - 921 SPE
- We Saved SOG Souls - Lockshier - 959.704 LOC
- Breaking Biden - Marlow - 973.934 MAR

**ADULT FICTION**

- Someone Always Nearby - Albert - FIC ALB
- The Edge - Baldacci - FIC BAL, 6:20 Man #2
- Hell Bent - Bardugo - FIC BAR
- The Secret Child - FIC CHI, Jack Reacher #28
- Under the Cover of Mercy - Connolly - FIC CON
- Uhtred's Feast - Cornwell - FIC COR, Last Kingdom
- Day - Cunningham - FIC CUN
- The Corsican Shadow - Cussler - FIC CUS, Dark Pitt #27
- The Reformatory - Due - FIC DUE
- The Other Year - Frey - FIC FRE
- The Spy Coast - Gerritsen - FIC GER
- Moving Forward - Gray - FIC GRA, Firefighters #2
- Bookshop Cinderella - Guhrke - FIC GUH, Savoy #1
- A Lighthouse Christmas - Hale - FIC HAL
- Summer at Firefly Beach - Hale - FIC HAL
- The House on Firefly Beach - Hale - FIC HAL, Firefly Beach #2
- Slay - Hamilton - FIC HAM, Anita Blake #30
- Face of Greed - L'Etoile - FIC LET
- Reunited on Sugar Maple Road - Mason - FIC MAS, Highland Falls #6
- Summer on Sunshine Bay - Mason - FIC MAS
- The Mystery Quest - Prose - FIC PRO, Molly the Maid #2
- Unleashed Holiday - Schade - FIC SCH
- The Ball at Versailles - Steele - FIC STE
- A Million Little Choices - Alexander - CH FIC ALE
- Lost and Found - Fisher - CH FIC FIS
- What a Wave Must Be - Hunt - CH FIC HUN
- The Flower Quilter - Steele - CH FIC STE
- Lethal Range - Steck - CH FIC STE, Matthew Redd #2
- 26 Below - Woodhouse - CH FIC WOO
- Resurrection Walk - Connelly - MYS FIC CON, Mickey Haller #7
- Unnatural Death - Cornwell - MYS FIC COR, Scarpetta #27
- The Watchmaker's Hand - Deaver - MYS FIC DEA, Lincoln Rhyme #16
- Dirty Thirty - Evanovich - MYS FIC EVA, Stephanie Plum #30
- Betrayal - Margolin - MYS FIC MAR, Robin Lockwood #7
- From a Far and Lovely Country - McCall Smith - MYS FIC MCC, No. 1 Detective Agency #24

Our Overdrive library is always open! [https://idl.overdrive.com](https://idl.overdrive.com)

To register for Wowbrary visit: [https://bit.ly/3mOPoC2](https://bit.ly/3mOPoC2)
New Materials @ TPL

Alex Cross Must Die - Patterson - MYS FIC PAT, Alex Cross #32
A Christmas Vanishing - Perry - MYS FIC PER, Christmas #21
Sister of Starlit Seas - Brooks - SCI FIC BRO, Viridian Deep #3

DVD/TV
The Blind - PG13 - DVD FIC BLI
Blue Beetle - PG13 - DVD FIC BLU
A Christmas Story Christmas - PG - DVD FIC CHR
Dr. Seuss' The Grinch - PG - DVD FIC DOC
The Equalizer - R - DVD FIC EQU
Expendables - R - DVD FIC EXP
57 Seconds - R - DVD FIC FIF
Golda - PG13 - DVD FIC GOL
Gran Turismo - PG13 - DVD FIC GRA
A Magical Christmas Village - NR - DVD FIC HAL
The Hill - PG - DVD FIC HIL
Inherit the Wind - NR - DVD FIC INH
Jules - PG13 - DVD FIC JUL
Mission: Impossible, Dead Reckoning - PG13 - DVD FIC MIS
My Big Fat Greek Wedding 3 - PG13 - DVD FIC MY
Oppenheimer - R - DVD FIC OPP
Saw X - R - DVD FIC SAW
Sound of Freedom - PG13 - DVD FIC SOU
Thunderbolt and Lightfoot - R - DVD FIC THU
Adventure Time, Distant Lands - TVPG - TV DVD ADV
The Crown - TVMA - TV DVD CRO, #5
Grease, Rise of the Pink Ladies - TV14 - TV DVD GRE

AudioBooks
The Secret - Child - CD BOOK FIC CHI, Jack Reacher #28
Blood Lines - DeMille - CD BOOK FIC DEM, Scott Brodie #2
Dirty Thirty - Evanovich - CD BOOK FIC EVA, Stephanie Plum #30
Twas the Bite Before Christmas - Rosenfelt - CD BOOK FIC ROS
Judgment Prey - Sandford - CD BOOK FIC SAN, Prey #33
Obsession - Woods - CD BOOK FIC WOO, Teddy Fay #6

VIDEOSGAMES
Fresh Start - VG NIN FRE
Stardew Valley - VG NIN STA
Super Mario RPG - VG NIN SUP
Call of Duty, Black Ops III - VG XBX CAL

YOUNG ADULT
Night Bane - Aster - YA FIC AST, LIGHTLARK #2
Artifice - Cameron - YA FIC CAM
The Godhead Complex - Dashner - YA FIC DAS, Maze Cutter #2
Check & Mate - Hazelwood - YA FIC HAZ
Murtagh - Paolini - YA FIC PAO, Inheritance #5
The Way I Am Now - Smith - YA FIC SMI, The Way I Used To Be #2

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**Library Hours:**
- Mon. & Fri. 9-6
- Tue. - Thur. 9-8
- Saturday 10-4
- Sunday Closed

The Thorntown Heritage Museum is open by appointment only. Call the library to schedule a visit.

Be sure to like and follow our Facebook page to stay updated on all things about the library!
[https://www.facebook.com/Thorntown](https://www.facebook.com/Thorntown)

CICOA luncheons served at 11:30 Monday through Friday!
Questions about programs? Call the library at (765) 436-7348
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Friends of Library & Sugar Creek Historical Society Memberships

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All memberships expire December 31 annually.

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