

# This month

# February

## In the Children's Room

**Kids Create:** A time for elementary-aged kids to explore and create. Join Ms. Jen and Ms. Andrea for Valentines and winter-themed crafts and activities, including love monsters and "snow" painting.

**Story Time:** Join Ms. Jen under the tree for stories, songs and projects.

**Homeschool Hangout:** Homeschool children have the opportunity to work together on logic, technology and artistic endeavors.

**Teen Hangout:** Teens 13-19 are welcome to hang out with their friends in the auditorium lobby every Wednesday from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. It's an unstructured time to enjoy snacks and choose from a variety of activities or just hang out.

**Tot Tales:** Winter-themed sensory activities are planned for this month's program.

**Monday**

**Tuesday**

**Wednesday**

**Thursday**

**Friday**

**Saturday**

2 Morning Workout, 9:30 a.m.	3 Shake Your Sillies Out, 10 a.m. <b>Story Time, 10:30 a.m.</b> <b>Kids Create, 4 p.m.</b> Tech Tuesday, 2-5 p.m.	4 Beginner Tai Chi/ Chair Yoga, 10:30 a.m. <b>Teen Hangout, 3:30-5:30</b>	5 Bingo, 5:45 p.m. Book It & Cook It, on YouTube, 6 p.m.	6 Fitness Friday, 10:30 a.m.	7 Yoga, 10:30 a.m.
Indoor pickleball court open for play this week. Sign up at the desk for a time					
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## Coming Soon!

**Hygiene Pantry:** The library will soon have a hygiene pantry. Items such as toothpaste, toothbrushes, deodorant, soap, shampoo, and more will be available to those in need. The hygiene pantry will be located by the back entrance to the library and available during library hours.

**Soarin' Hawk:** Soarin' Hawk Raptor Rescue will be here on March 21 at 1 p.m. to explore different raptors of Indiana and their role in our environment. Among the raptors that will be part of the program is a bald eagle.

## Library receives grant for garden programs

The South Whitley Community Public Library received \$818.00 from the South Whitley Community Facilities in their most recent round of grant funding. The grant will be used to purchase two 8-foot raised garden beds, garden tools, tomato cages and garden fabric. Soil, fertilizer and plants will be funded by the library or individual donations.

The Community Garden space is part of the library's goal of helping residents learn something new or enhance knowledge by providing opportunities for programs that teach about gardening, discovering a lifelong activity and learning to create healthy dishes with produce from the garden.

The garden space also fits in with our 2026 Summer Reading theme, Plant A Seed – Read, and is a natural extension of the seed library that was started in 2025.

The library is grateful to South Whitley Community Facilities for their support of the library.



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# Library

FEBRUARY 2026

HOURS: M-TH 9-7, F 11-4, S 9-2



## Don't forget these events

**Bingo:** Win prizes and laugh at some amazingly funny jokes. **Feb. 5, 5:45 p.m.**

**Card Sharks:** Join us for an afternoon of cards and snacks. **Feb. 10, 2 p.m.**

**Morning Workout:** Low-impact, high-energy workout for all ages. **Mondays, 9:30 a.m.**

**Fitness Friday:** We've added a second morning workout session. Join us for a low-impact, high-energy workout for all ages. Please enter through auditorium lobby doors. **Fridays, 10:30 a.m.**

**Tai Chi/Chair Yoga:** Stretch, relax and breathe. **Wednesdays, 10:30 a.m.**

**Traditional Yoga:** Bring your own mat or towel and join Katie for a relaxing yoga practice. **Jan. 7 and 21, 10:30 a.m.**

## Monthly Activities

### Book It & Cook It Feb. 5, 6 p.m. on YouTube

This month's spice of the month is parsley, which will be used to make chimichurri monkey bread. The Spice of the Month will be available beginning Feb. 2.



### Take & Make Kit mid-February

The adult take-and-make kit this month is a Valentine doily envelope. Pick up this craft and work on it at your own pace. Projects are available on a first-come, first-serve basis. One per household, please.



### Fun-tastical Fiction Book Club Feb. 26, 5:45 p.m.

This month, the club is reading *Garden Spells* by Sarah Addison Allen. This magical, fantasy fiction story of a prophetic apple tree, a garden packed with special powers and the woman whose roots run deep in tending the magical garden. Pick up a copy of the book or download the ebook and join the discussion.



### South Whitley Cinema Feb. 27, 6:30 p.m.

This month's feature film is *Cool Runnings*. This 1993 comedy captures the story of the first Jamaican bobsled team to compete in the Olympics. Please use the Maple or Columbia street entrances to the auditorium.



## At a Glance

- Whitley County's barns
- Library receives grant
- Hygiene pantry in the works

### Indoor Pickleball Court Open

Feb. 2-7



We've pushed the seats back and set up our indoor pickleball court in the auditorium for anyone who wants to come in and play. The court will be open from noon to 6p.m. Monday through Thursday, on Friday 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. and on Saturday 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Sign-up at the front desk for an hour-long session then come ready to play. Paddles and balls are provided with the set. The pickleball set is part of the Library of Things and can be checked out with your library card.

### Family Trivia

Feb. 17, 5:30 p.m.

The XXV Winter Olympics is taking place from Feb. 6-22. How much do you know about the Olympics? Join us for a round of trivia with questions about the Winter Olympics. Those with the most knowledge will take home the gold.



### Icebound Adventures

through Feb. 27



We've still got a few weeks left in our Icebound Adventures Winter Reading event! Our Winter Reading theme has weekly reading goals with prizes and a grand prize entry ticket awarded for reaching each week's

goal. It's not too late to get started and catch up on the reading goals you've missed and be entered in the prize drawings. Download the Beanstack app to easily keep track of your minutes, or keep track of your minutes on paper.

### Shake Your Sillies Out

Tuesdays, 10 a.m.



A new program for our youngest patrons, Shake the Sillies Out, is a chance for cooped-up kids age 6 and under to release some of that pent-up energy through active games, dancing and more. Be sure to stay for Story Time afterward.

### Whitley County's Historic Barns

Feb. 19, 6 p.m.

Clay Geiger has researched and studied many of Whitley County's barns. These gigantic structures are not only a legacy of the county's agricultural roots but also carry some fascinating stories. Join us as Geiger shares photos and details about these buildings that are part of the county's history and landscape.



### Family Game Night

Feb. 24, 5 p.m.

Winter is hanging on for a little bit yet, so take a break from binge watching TV and join us for an evening of board games. We'll have tables for adults and kids along with snacks to enjoy while playing.



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