



## Teens in the Library

This past September, the Library Board added a new position to our library staff. Sofia Fornero-Green was hired as the Marketing & Programming Assistant and works part time focusing on developing programming for teens and preteens. Sofia has been the Summer Intern for the past two years conducting Art Camps. The Cordova Library has received a community grant from River Cities Rotary to develop a space for teens in the library. This will give the teens an area to hang out in and do programs. Also included in this grant is a Cares Closet. This Cares Closet will have personal hygiene items available for those that need it. If you are interested in donating to the Cares Closet, contact Karen or Chalyn for more information.

### Programs for Teens:

November 20th - 4:30 pm: Teen Advisory: For kids in 6th-12th grade who want to help the library make decisions on the upcoming Teen Space, programs, and more. Snacks and drinks will be provided. Sign-up is appreciated.

November 22nd- 12 pm: Solving Crimes Teen Lunch- Our Teen-focused program for November will be solving unsolved crimes and having lunch together. This program is for those who are problem-solvers, and those who watch crime TV and Movies and think they can solve cases like the characters do. Grades 6th-12th. Sign-up is required to determine a lunch count.

December 11th- 4 pm- Teen Gift Making and Wrapping- Would you rather make gifts for those in your life rather than buy them? Do you know how to wrap gifts? Sofia will be having a class for those who want to make handmade gifts for upcoming holidays like Hanukkah, Christmas, or Kwanzaa. She will also be teaching how to wrap gifts. Sign-up is required.

December 13th- 4 pm- Teen Gift Making and Wrapping- (same as above) For if you need to make/wrap more gifts or if the first one has a waitlist. Sign-up is required.

December 18th- 4:30 pm: Teen Advisory: For kids in 6th-12th grade who want to help the library make decisions on the upcoming Teen Space, programs, and more. Snacks and drinks will be provided. Sign-up is appreciated.

December 20th- 12pm- Uno Tournament- 4th-12th Grade: We will be hosting our first-ever Uno Tournament! This game is easy to learn, and sometimes based on luck, so why not have a bit of a competition? There will be food and drinks, and prizes for the top players! Sign-up is appreciated.

### Open House

**Thursday, December 7th from Noon-5pm**

Our annual Open House will be on Thursday, December 7th starting at Noon till 5pm. We will have a variety of refreshments available throughout the day. Our entertainment will start at 1pm and feature "Music from the Bucktown Americana Music Show". Stop in and say hello and see the Library decorated for the holidays.

### Lunch & Learn

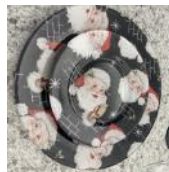
**Female Pilots from Illinois & Iowa  
Monday, November 20th @ Noon**

The Lunch & Learn for November 20th at Noon will feature Gena Schantz and her program "High Flying Women." In this presentation, she will talk about three early women aviators, all with connections to Iowa and Illinois. Lunch will be provided and registration is required for this event. Call 654-2330 to attend.

### Christmas Plates

Wednesday November 8th @ 1pm

Jan Rutenbeck will be teaching us how to make custom Christmas charger plates.



Each participant will make a dessert plate and a dinner plate using fabric and some Mod Podge. Sign up is limited to 12 participants.

### Book Sale

Monday, November 13th-Saturday November 18th

It's Book Sale Time!! The library will be having their book sale starting Monday, November 13th. The sale will run all week with Friday and Saturday being free book days. If you have any books to donate to the sale, please drop them off the week of November 6th. All donations from this sale will go to the Riverdale High School Interact Club. This is an organization dedicated to volunteer service.



### Family Bingo

Friday, November 17th  
5pm-7pm

All ages are invited to join us for Family Bingo night. All supplies will be provided (if you have a lucky dauber-bring it!). Bring your own food and non-alcoholic drinks. Registration is required. \*\*We will be taking a Bingo break and will resume in March.

### Christmas Boxes

Saturday, November 18th @ 10am

Looking to add some new decor to your displays? Join Monica Smith as she leads us in creating decorative holiday boxes. All supplies will be provided and sign up is limited, so call today.



### Make it Mondays

November 13th @ 1pm  
Fall Door Decor

Cheryl Floming will be teaching us how to make fall décor for your door. All supplies will be provided. Seating is limited.

December 18th @ 1pm  
Holiday Floral Arrangement

Learn how to make a fresh flower holiday arrangement for your table. This will include a mix of fresh flowers and evergreens. Limited seating, so call now to sign up.

### In Our Community...

A word from First Baptist Church of Cordova...

Warm greetings from the congregation of First Baptist Church! We hope that everyone is enjoying the cooler temperatures and the many vibrant trees surrounding our community.

As we prepare for Thanksgiving, Christmas, and all things winter, we invite you to join us for some relaxation & joyful celebrations in the upcoming months! All are invited to join us for:

Holy Yoga: A Christian based yoga class that incorporates scripture and worship songs. Friday November 10th & December 8th @ 6:30 PM.

Community Thanksgiving Service: The Upper Rock Island Ministerial Association (URICMA) will have our annual Thanksgiving service, which will be hosted at First Baptist Cordova located at 602 3rd Ave S. The entire family is invited to join us on Monday November 20th at 6:00 PM. Light refreshments will be served in our fellowship hall following the service.

Christmas Eve Cantata & Nativity Play: We are extremely excited to welcome the entire community to join us on Christmas Eve at 4:00 PM for our Cantata (chorus) and Nativity play. This will be a worshipful and hopeful service celebrating the birth of Jesus Christ. Fun for all ages!

We wish you blessings as we come to the close of another year!

With Love,  
The congregation of First Baptist Church of Cordova

### Do Your Own Thing

Tues., November 28th from 9am-6:45pm  
Tues., December 26th 9am-6:45pm

Reserve a table and work on projects with friends!

### Cordova District Library

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hello@cordovalibrary.com

## Stained Glass Classes

Our Stained Glass Classes are a hit! We will be contacting people who were on the waitlists to sign them up for November and December classes. We will be opening up more classes starting in the new year.

Our Do Your Own Thing--Glass is for those who have taken the class and can utilize our equipment to make their own projects. Participants must bring their own glass, foil and solder to make their projects.

### Cordova Library Book Club

*We meet on the first Tuesday of the month at 10:00 am.*

#### **December 5th—The Unlikely Pilgrimage of Harold Fry by Rachel Joyce**

"A novel of charm, humor, and profound insight into the thoughts and feelings we all bury deep within our hearts."

#### **January 2nd, 2024—Lillian Boxfish Takes a Walk by Kathleen Rooney**

"A love letter to city life in all its guts and grandeur, Kathleen Rooney paints a portrait of a remarkable woman across the canvas of a changing America: from the Jazz Age to the onset of the AIDS epidemic; the Great Depression to the birth of hip-hop."

### Blood Drive

**Saturday December 2nd  
8:30am-11:30am**

The demand for blood significantly increases during the holiday season. Please sign up to donate blood by calling 654-2330.

### Closed for the following dates:

**November 11th  
November 23rd  
December 6th @ 1pm  
December 25th  
January 1st**

### Hours of Operation:

**Monday through Thursday: 9:00am—7:00pm  
Friday: 9:00am—4:00pm  
Saturday: 9:00am-1:00pm**

## Story Time Fridays @ 10am

Story Time Fridays are the best! Each week will include: singing, dancing, centers, playing, snacks and of course, Reading!

Children of all ages are welcome to attend with guardian or babysitter.

### Surface Design

**November 21, 2023: Monoprinting**

Try different methods to create Monoprints at this workshop. Bring: scraps of light colored fabrics and your imagination! The library will supply paints and mark making tools. You may also opt to use paper instead of fabric. We meet from 9:00 am until noon.



**December 19, 2023: Surface Design  
Work & Play Day**

The library is reserved from 9:00am to 5:00pm for working on your surface design projects. A potluck is planned—please bring a dish to pass.

## Veterans Luncheon

Saturday, November 11th @11:45am



All Cordova Veterans and a guest are invited to our Veterans Luncheon on Saturday, November 11th. It will start after the Veterans Ceremony at the Cordova Cemetery is finished around 11:45am. Sign up is required for this event by November 6th, so please call 654-2330 to get your name on the list.

### Noon Year's Eve

**Friday, December 29th @ 11:59am**

Celebrate the new year at Cordova Library for our Noon Year's Eve party! We will count down to Noon when we will have a balloon drop, confetti poppers and noise makers to celebrate 2024.



All ages are welcome to party with us :)

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## Change is Coming...

### Axis 360 Transitioning to Boundless

Our Axis 360 library app is transitioning to a new app called Boundless. If you currently have our Axis 360 app, you will be prompted to transition to Boundless. You will need to download the new Boundless app. Once it is downloaded, select Cordova District Library as your home library. Next, you will need your library card number and PIN to log in. Your PIN is the last four digits of your library card number unless you changed it. The Boundless app will keep your checkout history and your current holds.

Please contact the library if you have questions or issues with the transition.



### Our Online PrairieCat Catalog Gets an Update

We are excited to share that our catalog will soon be getting a new look and some new features! Some features include:

**Simplified searches:** The new catalog will show all of the formats and editions available for each title. For example, if you search for the title *Pride and Prejudice*, you will see all versions of *Pride and Prejudice* (physical books, audiobooks and large print books) displayed in one result together.

**Series Lists:** When searching for a title that is part of a series, the new catalog shows more titles in the series!

**Read-a-Likes:** Once you select a title, scroll down for recommendations, related topics, and reader reviews.

**Browse by Reading Level:** After selecting a juvenile book title, scroll down to view the reading level. Select "Browse by Reading Level" to search by Lexile measure, Accelerated Reader, or age/grade range.

**My Bookshelf:** Log in to view reading history, create and share custom lists, save searches, manage holds, and your account.