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Rodgers Memorial Library

December 2017 Newsletter



Holiday Closings

Monday, December 25: **Closed**

Tuesday, December 26: **Open** 9am - 9pm

Monday, January 1: **Closed**

Tuesday, January 2: **Open** 9am - 9pm

*The Rodgers Library Staff and Trustees
Wish Everyone a Happy and Safe Holiday Season*

Library Gingerbread House Contest!



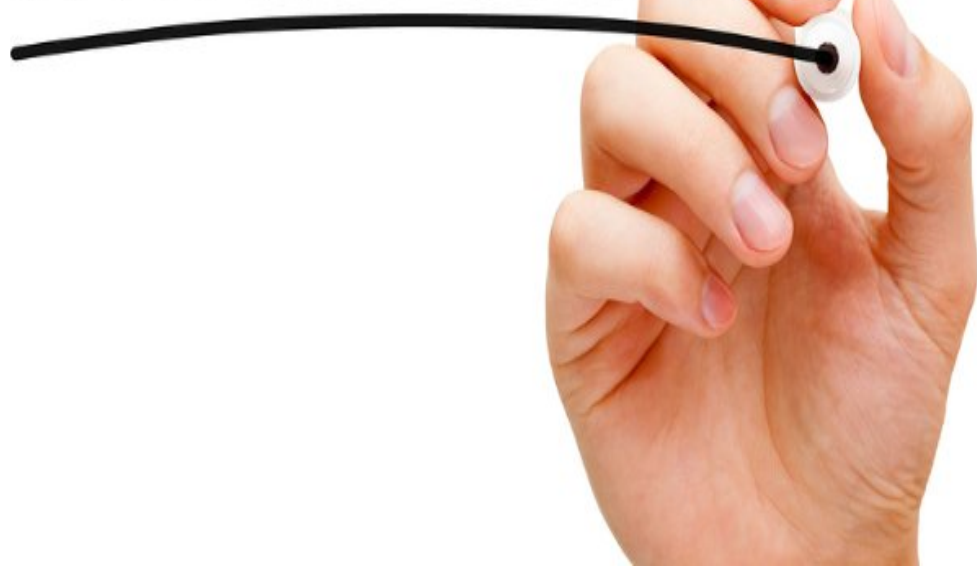
Highlight your delicious talents and enter our Gingerbread House Contest! The contest is open to all ages; individuals, families, or groups may enter. Prizes will be awarded for Favorite House and Judges' Choice.

Pesky details:

- Drop off houses any time the library is open through December 2.
- Houses can be built out of any material but **exterior decoration must be entirely edible.**
- Houses must fit on a 24" X 24" platform or smaller.
- All entries will receive a gingerbread man ornament printed on our new 3D printer!

Come vote for your favorite house in December, when all houses will be displayed in the Children's Room. Happy holidays!

WHAT'S NEXT?



Listen to Audio Books, Watch Movies or Read Books Online - with NO waiting and for FREE!

Participate in a free trial of a service aimed towards patrons who watch videos, listen to music or audio books, or read books on their computer or device. This trial will take effect in early 2018.

There will be NO wait time with this service - every book, movie, or piece of music is available to borrow instantly.

The trial will last **for one month** and, if implemented, will be free for library patrons. Interested in trying it out? Write to us at askus@rodgerslibrary.org. Include your name and phone number and we will send you additional information.



“Every girl deserves
to take part in
creating the
technology that
will change our
world, and change
who runs it.”

— Malala Yousafzai,
Nobel Peace Prize winner

Anybody can learn!
Start with an Hour of Code
<http://code.org>



Rodgers Memorial Library Hour of Code Event

Monday, December 4
2:30-7:30pm

For ages 4 to 104 - participate in an Hour of Code at the Rodgers Library! Bring your own laptop or device, or use one of ours (we have laptops and Chromebooks available for in-house use, subject to availability) and try your hand at coding. For more details and information, see below in the Teens or Children's section.

December Exhibit: Photographers Forum of Nashua





Photographers' Forum Camera Club Exhibit

Reception: Wednesday, December 6

6-8:30pm

The Photographer's Forum Camera Club of Nashua will be exhibiting their members' work in the library Community Room during the month of December.

Join us at the reception to meet and chat with some of the photographers. Refreshment will be served.



Holiday Floral Centerpiece Workshop **Thursday, December 7** **6pm**

Create a beautiful festive centerpiece for your holiday table that will last through the season. Led by Charlene from Anne's Florals and Gifts of Hudson.

Please note:

There is a \$30 materials cost.

Advanced registration required by Thursday, November 30.

Click [here](#) to register, or call the library at 603-886-6030.

Jazz First

Jazz Standards For All Occasions
Nashua, NH



DCU Free Concert Series: ***Jazz First, Holiday Songs and Jazz Standards*** **Saturday, December 9 @ 2pm**

Enjoy jazzy renditions of holiday favorites along with some popular jazz standards with Jazz First, a piano-bass-drums jazz trio based in southern New Hampshire devoted to the performance of straight-ahead jazz and blues standards written primarily in the first half of the twentieth century.

The DCU Free Concert series is possible through a generous grant from the Digital Credit Union. Free concerts are held the second Saturday of the month at 2pm.

Future concerts include:

January 13: *Mike Rogers Trio*: Roots Music, Blues, Folk & Old Time

February 10: *The Proper Ladies*: Victorian Love Songs

March 10: *Oran Mor*: Traditional Irish Music

Life Coaching Event: Reflecting on the Year

Tuesday, December 12 @ 7pm



Get ready for the new year by reflecting on the year just past. Instead of dwelling on what you did wrong, or didn't do, join Master Coach Diane MacKinnon, M.D. and learn to focus on past accomplishments and successes. Learn to train your brain to create a great 2018!

Registration requested, but walk-ins are welcome. Register [here](#).



Monthly Writing Group

Friday, December 15

9:30am - 12:30pm

Join the Rodgers Library writing group! Begin the day with warm-up writing exercises in a group environment where writing ideas and methods are shared and discussed, followed by individual work on personal writing projects. The last 15 minutes will be spent reading work to the group or discussing our progress.

Feel free to join us for just one session or every month.

Registration requested to guarantee a spot, although walk-ins are welcome, space permitting. **Register [here](#).**



Rodgers Memorial Library Cookbook Club presents:

Holiday Cookie Swap

Saturday, December 16, 1-2 pm

Cookie Drop-off, 12-1pm

Contribute 4 dozen homemade holiday cookies and bring home a wonderful cookie assortment!

All participants will receive a **Christmas Cookie Keepsake Ornament** made on the Library's 3D printer!

Refreshments will be served

Space is Limited, so register today!

To register, **click on the the link below**

To register for the Rodgers Memorial Library Cookie Swap, click [here](#).

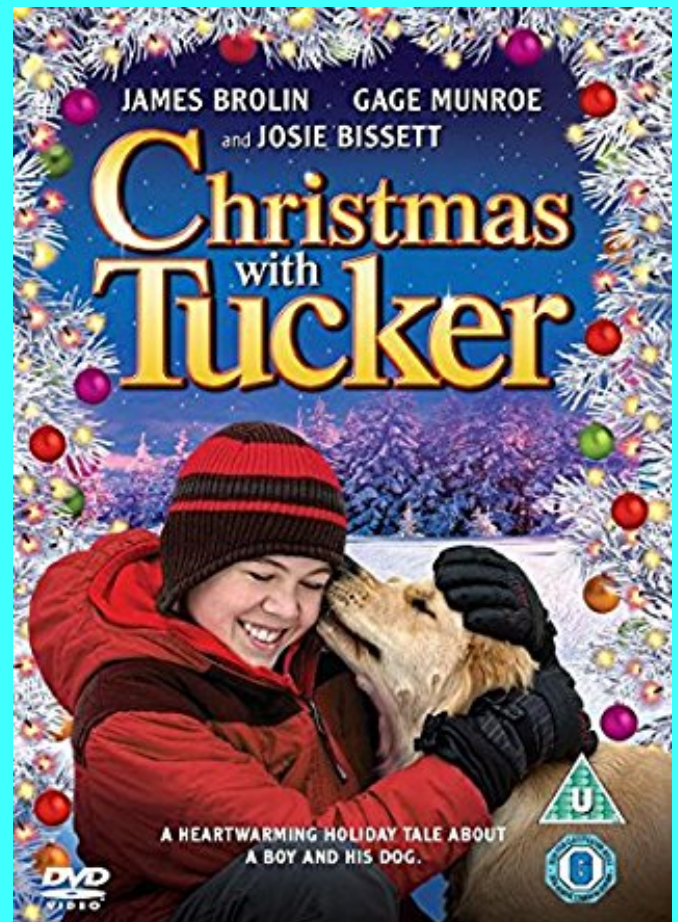
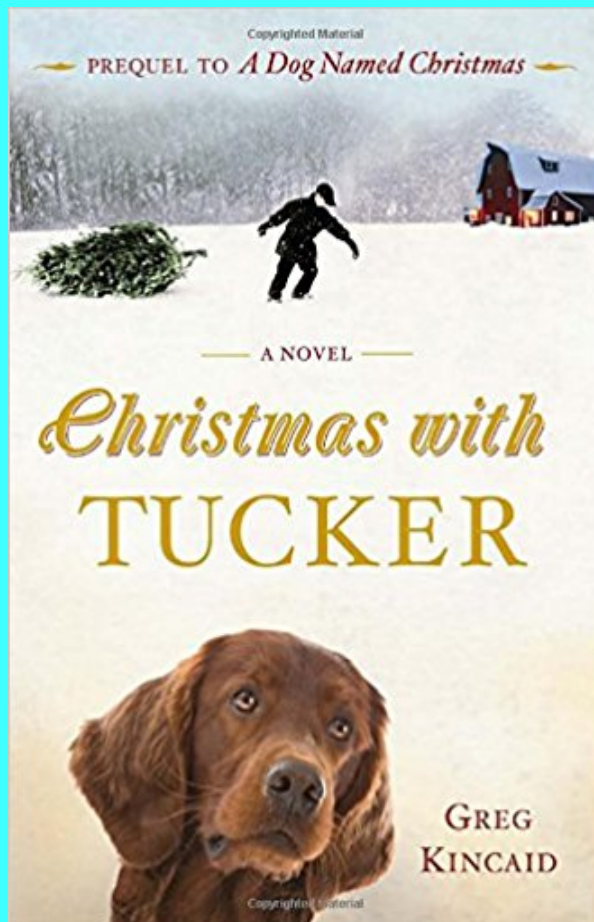
(There will be no Cookbook Club meeting this month)

Holiday Music Sing-Along
Saturday, December 16
2-3pm

Enjoy caroling? Love to sing?
Have a not-so-great voice? No
problem!

Drop in and join us for our Holiday Music sing-along! Don't worry if you can't read music or you don't sound like Judy Garland or Bing Crosby, just chime right in with the rest of the crowd and we'll all sing together!

Song sheets provided, and holiday treats will be served.



Christmas Book & Movie with Potluck Lunch

Tuesday, December 19

11:30am

Join us for a screening of *Christmas With Tucker*, the prequel to the beloved holiday film *A Dog Named Christmas*. Discussion of the book and film will be followed by a potluck lunch, with food provided by attendees.

- Copies of this short, quick-to-read book are available at the Circulation Desk.
- Please email amyfriedman@rodgerslibrary.org with information on food you plan to bring.
- All are welcome to attend, reading of the book is not required. Hope to see you there!



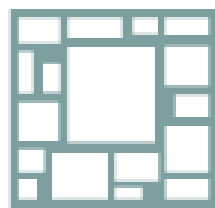
Red Cross Blood Drive

Tuesday, December 26

2-7pm

Did you know that one blood donation can save up to three lives? Be a hero, give blood! Visit redcrossblood.org or call **1-800-redcross (733-2767)** to register for an appointment to give blood at the Rodgers Memorial Library on December 26, 2-7pm.

Donations of finger food are encouraged and welcome, and will serve as a thank-you to all donors for their donation of this valuable and potentially life-saving gift. Drop off your delicacy at the library during library hours on December 26.



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TEEN SERVICES

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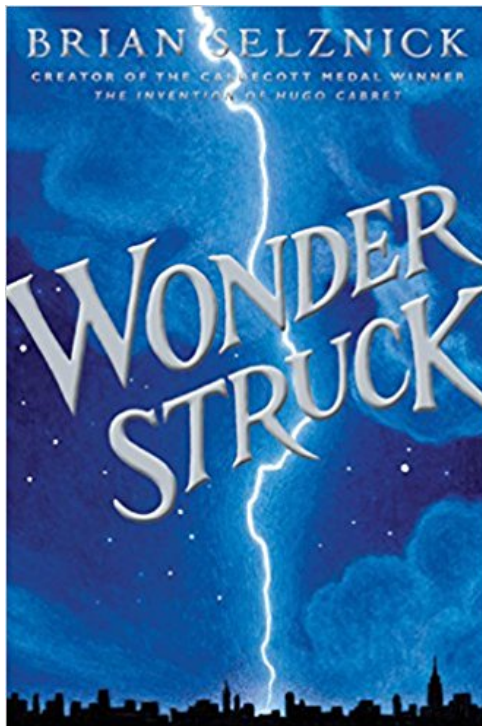
activities. Click [here](#) for more information.

To learn more about the international initiative *Hour of Code*, visit their website [here](#) to learn more about its mission and its global reach.

HOUR OF CODE



Wednesday, December 13, 6:30pm



Join us for a lively and informed discussion on Brian Selznick's book *Wonderstruck*, which was adapted into a movie this past fall and met with stellar reviews. (See New York Times review [here](#).)

Ben and Rose secretly wish their lives were different. Set fifty years apart, these two independent stories—Ben's told in words, Rose's in pictures—weave back and forth with mesmerizing symmetry. Rich, complex, affecting, and beautiful.

Pick up copies of the book at the circulation desk.

The Mother-Daughter Book Club is aimed for girls grades 6-8 and their mothers or maternal guardians. Registration requested, but walk-ins always welcome. Register [here](#).



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TEEN SERVICES

Teen Events in 2018

Are you ready for the New Year?

While our teen-focused events are still going strong in 2017, we're already looking ahead to 2018 and organizing new regular events where your teens can express themselves and flex their creative muscles.

NEW Teen Events!

Fanfiction Club

Begins Tuesday, January 23

**Second and Fourth
Tuesdays of the Month
Beginning January 23rd
2-4:30pm**

Be sure to tell your teens about our new **Fanfiction Club**! Whether they like Harry Potter or Lord of the Rings, **Fanfiction Club** encourages teens to explore their creative side by writing stories set in their favorite fictional universes. They'll have the chance to share their stories with their peers, get feedback, or just knuckle down and get some creative writing done.



Teen Advisory Group

Begins Monday, January 29

Last Monday of the Month
Beginning January 29
2:30-3:30pm

Our new **Teen Advisory Group** (TAG) is your teen's chance to have her voice heard about library issues. Teens will meet with **Teen Services Librarian James Taber** to talk about what matters to them, such as:

- Teen materials, including books, magazines, and/or online services,
- Services they would like to see offered at the library, and
- Programming that captures their interests.



Each meeting qualifies as community service time and James will sign any forms required. Questions? Email James at teens@rodgerslibrary.org.

Tabletoppers

Begins Friday, January 5



Every Friday (except the second Friday)

2-4pm

Tabletoppers is the newest addition to our line-up in 2018! Tabletoppers is the tabletop counterpart to Button Mashers, where teens can get together to play board games, card games, and even Dungeons & Dragons. **Tabletoppers** will meet as long as there's school.

Continuing Teen Events



**Every Wednesday
2 - 4:30pm**

Continuing on from 2017, **Teen Takeover @ Your Library** (TT@YL) is a chance for your teen to unwind with friends in our Community Room for a couple of hours after school. We provide after-school snacks (and a librarian) in a safe environment where they can share their favorite YouTube videos, music, complete homework, or play card games. TT@YL meets as long as there is school.



Every Thursday 2-4:30pm

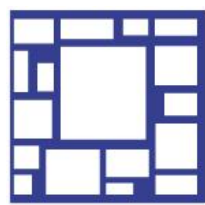
Button Mashers invites teens to play video games at the library. We have a WiiU, several controllers, along with popular games including *Super Smash Bros.* and *New Super Mario Bros.* Teens are also welcome to bring their favorite hand-held games, including popular phone games like *Pokémon Go*.

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You can always get the most up-to-date information on teen events, services and programs by visiting the RML Teen Blog at rmlteens.wordpress.com.

Questions? Email Teen Services Librarian James at teens@rodgerslibrary.org.



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CHILDREN'S SERVICES



Drop in and Decorate!
Tuesday, Nov. 28 - Thursday, Nov. 30

9am - 8:30pm

Drop in and help Miss Betsey and her staff decorate for the holidays!

We provide the decorations, you provide the style!

20 Days of Holiday Fun in the Children's Room!

Twenty Days of Holiday Fun!

Join us for a different activity every day from December 1 - 23!

Activities will include:

- Holiday Game Day
- Candy Cane Ornaments
- Holiday Movies
- Pajama Story Day
- Arctic Animals
- and More!

Please check our online [Events Calendar](#) (we're the events in **purple**) for more information, and follow us on Facebook at [Rodgers Memorial Library Children's Room](#) for up-to-date information on events and crafts!

Mondays

12/4, 11, 18 & 25, 5:30pm: Family STEM Night

12/25: Library CLOSED

Tuesdays

12/5: Holiday Activity TBA

12/12: Candy Cane Ornaments!

12/19: Holiday SLIME!

Wednesdays

12/6: Holiday Activity TBA

12/13, 3:30pm: **Movie** - "It's a Dog's Christmas!"

12/20: Holiday Activity TBA

Thursdays

12/7: Holiday Game Day

12/14: Holiday Activity TBA

12/21 (various times): Pajama Story Day

Fridays

10:30am: Books & Babies

12/1: Christmas Countdown Calendar

12/8: Holiday Activity TBA

12/15: Grab Bag Holiday crafts

12/22: Christmas Cookie Decorating Party

Saturdays

12/2, 9:30-11:30am: Pictures with Santa

12/9, 10am - 4pm: Holiday Tinker Lab

12/16, 10am - 4pm: Holiday Spa Day

12/23, 10am - 4pm: Family Holiday Movie Marathon

January 27 - January 5

Holiday Edition Escape Room! Escape from Santa's Workshop

See details below





Pictures with Santa!

Saturday, December 2

9:30-11:30am

Have your picture taken with Santa! Cookies and milk will be provided, along with crafts for kids to create and enjoy. All are welcome! Click [here](#) for more information.

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Escape Room: Holiday Edition
Escape From Santa's Workshop
December 27 - January 5

Join us for **Holiday Escape Room: Escape From Santa's Workshop!** Our Summer



Reading Program "Escape From Azkaban!" escape room was so popular that we've created another escape room for Winter Break!
Be sure to follow us on Facebook at [Rodgers Memorial Library Children's Room](#) for details and registration, because slots will fill up FAST!

Friends of the Rodgers Library

Second Hand Prose

Sunday, December 10, 11am - 3pm

NOTE: There is no Thursday evening SHP

Hills Memorial Library Basement

'Early Bird' admittance at 10AM Sunday granted to paid members of the Friends. You may become a member at the sale for as little as \$10. Please enter via the ramp at the rear of the building. DONATIONS of DVDs, CDs, and gently used books are NEEDED and may be brought to Second Hand Prose or to the Library during regular hours.

Become a Friend

A special relationship...

Become a Friend of the Rodgers Memorial Library by joining a group of volunteers who support a variety of activities including the purchase of the 3D Printer, the Telescope, learning modules and other equipment for the children's room; award the Leonard A. Smith Memorial Scholarship; provide funding for the Summer Reading Program, movie licenses, Santa photos, author forums and a variety of Humanities Council programs.



Choose from activities including being a Santa's Helper, Second Hand Prose "librarians", celebrating National Library Week with library staff, or participate in a variety of other opportunities.

The Friends have supported the Hudson library system for over 35 years and were instrumental in focusing on the need to build a new home for expanded services which culminated in the construction and opening of the new library donated by the Rodgers family in 2009.

The Friends are a 501c(3) organization, have business meetings five times a year to plan for activities and form necessary sub-committees. Tax-deductible annual membership dues are \$10 (individual), \$20 (family), \$30 (patron) or \$50 (business).

Even if your time is limited you can make a difference! Pick up an application at the library or **contact the Friends by email.**

Additional December Events

Evening Book Group

Thursday 12/7, 7-8pm
Commonwealth
by Ann Patchett

Genealogy Club

Fri 12/8, 1:30pm
Webinar by senior
genealogist Sheilagh
Doerfler of the New
England Historical
Genealogical Society on
finding and using notarial
records in Quebec.

Free Film

The Glass Castle
Monday, 12/11
2 & 6:30pm
Light refreshments
provided
Films are sponsored by
the Friends of the Library

**Harbor Health &
Wellness Mobile Health
Van**

*Dental Care for Low-
Income and Homeless*
Tuesday 12/12, 10am -2pm

**Mother/Daughter
Bookclub**

Wonderstruck
by Brian Selznick
Wed 12/13, 6:30pm
Books available at the
circulation desk

Group Singing

At Fairview Healthcare
Mon 12/18, 2 - 4pm
Meet in Laurel Place Lobby
by 2pm

Book & Movie**Discussion with Potluck
Lunch**

Christmas With Tucker by
Greg Kincaid
Tue 12/19, 11:30pm
See details above

Free Family Film

Despicable Me 3
Sat 12/23, 1pm
Light refreshments
provided
Films are sponsored by
the Friends of the Library

Crochet Slam

Mondays, 6:30pm
Drop in!
No Crochet Slam 12/25

TT@YL

(Teenage Takeover at Your
Library)
Wednesdays, 2:15-4:30pm
Just drop in!
No TT@YL 12/27

**Geopolitics in Today's
World*****New Time!***

Thursdays, 11am -1pm
Walk-ins welcome!

Button Mashers

Thursdays, 2:15 - 4:30pm
No Button Mashers 12/28

Drop In Stitchers

Fridays, 9:30-11:30am
No Drop-In Stitchers on

There is no Cookbook

Club this month - we have
the cookie swap instead!