# FEBRUARY 2023 | EVENTS & MORE









## Library Information

#### **Closures**

• Monday, February 20

#### \*RSVP Required

See an asterisk beside an event you're interested in? This event requires an RSVP! Visit LaramieCountyLibrary.org/calendar to let us know you'll attend. If you RSVP and can't attend, please let us know!

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# **Special Events & Exhibits**



With delicious treats such as hot chocolate, fresh-baked brownies, and scrumptious seasonal lattes, there is no better place to warm up this winter than the Library Café!

Scan this QR code or visit

Iclsonline.org/services/cafe to check out the menu and

learn about weekly specials.

#### Abstraction/Ancestors/Altered Books

#### January 6-February 9

#### **Library Hours**

On pages removed from antique books, artist Jennie Kiessling combines practicing abstract art with the story of her Italian ancestors through the words of her family. Her work encourages viewers to consider their own family's stories and words. Enjoy this exhibit on the library's 1st and 3rd floors, and visit Clay Paper Scissors Gallery in downtown Cheyenne to view the companion exhibit, *Abstractions/Ancestors/Paintings*. (All Ages; 1st and 3rd Floors)

#### Boys & Girls Club of Cheyenne Art & Photography Exhibit

#### January 9-February 5

#### **Library Hours**

Visit the 2nd floor of the library to enjoy the incredible creativity of Boys & Girls Club members!

(All Ages; 2nd Floor)

#### **Elementary School Art Show**

#### February 20-April 16

#### **Library Hours**

Enjoy wonderful art created by K-6 students in Laramie County School District #1. Visit all three floors of the library to see the creative wonders!

(All Ages; All Floors)







# **Youth & Family Events**

# Wyoming Book Awards Beanstack Challenge

#### February 1–March 15 All Hours

It's almost time for the Wyoming Book Awards! Wyoming has three book awards to give out and we need you to decide which books to give them to! Read at least three of the ten nominated books in your age category and vote for your favorite in our Beanstack challenge. Keep reading from the nominee list to earn more tickets to enter for prizes! You can also nominate a book for next year's book awards.

Wyoming's three book awards are: the Buckaroo Award for children in grades K–3, the Indian Paintbrush Award for children in grades 4–6, and the Soaring Eagle Book Award for youth in grades 7–12.

Sign up for the fun at **IcIsonline.beanstack.org** beginning February 1. Need assistance creating a Beanstack account? Call the library at 307-634-3561 for help getting started. (Grades K–12; Beanstack Challenge)



\*RSVP Required through the Museum

# Storytime at Wyoming State Museum's Family Day

#### Saturday, February 4 10am–1pm

We're taking storytime to the museum! Head on over to the Wyoming State Museum for their Family Day to participate in one of our early literacy storytimes and other fun activities. Visit the Wyoming State Museum's website at **wyomuseum.wyo.gov** to register for the event. This month's Family Day theme is *Wyoming Winter*. (Children & Families; Wyoming State Museum–2301 Central Ave.)

#### StoryWalk® Sunday

#### Sunday, February 5 1:15–2pm

Let us introduce you to our StoryWalk® title for February: Bad Dog by Mike Boldt. We will meet in the Willow Room, but the StoryWalk® will be outside, so dress for the weather! Afterwards, we will have snacks and crafts in the Willow Room. If you can't make it to the StoryWalk® Sunday event, the outdoor StoryWalk® is available rain or shine (or snow), all year round, even when the library is closed! The Laramie County Library StoryWalk® has been made possible thanks to funding from the Microsoft Community Challenge and support from ChangeX. (Children & Families; Willow Room)

#### \*RSVP REQUIRED

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#### **Homeschool Hangout**

#### Tuesdays: February 7, 21 11am-12pm

Join us for fun and interesting activities during your trip to the library. At each hangout we will offer crafts, STEM, or improv activities. You never know what you will get, so come and see what's happening!

(Grades 3–12; Sage Room)

# Artists Study: Basquiat and Ringgold

#### Tuesday, February 7 4–5pm

In celebration of Black History Month, join us as we explore the art of Jean-Michel Basquiat and Faith Ringgold through books, art appreciation, and art projects. You can take your artwork home, or put it on display in the library! (Grades K–6; Early Literacy Center)

#### Pokémon Jr.

# Wednesdays: February 8, 22 4–5pm

Grab your cards, grab your friends, and join us for Pokémon Jr.! We will be playing the fun and exciting Pokémon Trading Card Game or PTCG! (Grades K–8; 2nd Floor)

#### Valentine's Family Crafting

#### Friday, February 10 4–5:30pm

Do you like crafts? Want to make something special for Valentine's Day? Come join us and make a fun Valentine's Day craft that you can keep for yourself or gift to others! (Children & Families; Early Literacy Center)

#### Kindermusik®

#### Saturday, February 11 10:15–11am

Sing, sway, laugh, and play with skilled educator Laura Sutton. (Ages 2–5; Early Literacy Center)

#### **Second Saturday STEAM**

# Saturday, February 11 2:30–3:30pm

Children in grades 3–6 can join us each month as we explore a variety of STEAM topics (Science Technology Engineering Arts Math) with crafts, games, experiments, and more! This month, learn about galaxies in outer space and make a galaxy jar to give to someone you think is out of this world! (Grades 3–6; Early Literacy Center)

# Cuentos y Amigos (Spanish Storytime)

#### Wednesday, February 15 miércoles 15 de febrero 6-7pm

Join us for a special Spanish/English storytime in collaboration with the Cheyenne Hispanic Festival. Come enjoy special stories, songs, snacks, and a craft in Spanish and English! Our theme this month will be *Shapes*.

Presentaremos una hora de cuentos en español. ¡Disfrute de cuentos especiales, canciones, meriendas y manualidades - en español y en inglés! Nuestro tema este mes será *las formas*. (Children & Families/niños y familias ; Early Literacy Center)

# **Youth & Family Events**

#### Sit, Stav, READ! Read to a Therapy Dog

#### Thursday, February 16 4-5pm

Everyone loves to hear a story, even our four-pawed friends! Come in to the library and practice reading aloud to one of our community's therapy dogs. We know you'll have a furry good time! This event is presented in partnership with The Alliance of Therapy Dogs. (Grades K–6; Early Literacy Center)

#### **Family Bingo Night**

#### Thursday, February 16 6-7pm

We've got the daubers! We've got the cards! We've got the cage and the BINGO balls! All we need is you! Come join other families as we share in the timeless fun of BINGO. Join us for snacks, prizes, and lots of fun!

(Children & Families; Cottonwood Room)

#### K-2 STEAM: Space

#### Tuesday, February 21 4-5pm

Calling all future astronauts! Do you have what it takes to go into space? Complete our fun and engaging space tasks to learn a little of what it takes to be an astronaut.

(Grades K-2; Early Literacy Center)

#### **Family Unity Storytime**

#### Tuesday, February 21 6-6:45pm

Join us for a special unity storytime in celebration of Black History Month! We will read a couple books, create a craft, and eat some snacks.

(Children & Families; Early Literacy Center)

#### **Interactive Movie:** The Wizard of OZ

#### Saturday, February 25 2:30-3:30pm

We're off to see the wizard! Follow the yellow brick road down to the library and join us for an exciting and interactive showing of *The Wizard of Oz*. This won't be your typical relaxing family film event-be ready to sing, dance, laugh, and use fun props to enhance your viewing experience.

(Children & Families; Cottonwood Room)

#### **Young Readers Book Party**

#### Sunday, February 26 1:15-2pm

Join us for a celebration of reading with young readers that's a little bit early learn. This month's theme is Zoo. (Grades Pre-K-2; Early Literacy Center)

#### Use the **Bookmobile** at any stop to:

- Check out books
- Get a library card
- Return library materials

**Bookmobile** 

Place and pick up holds

#### Visit Iclsonline.org/ outreachservices

or scan the OR code to review scheduled stops and learn more.



#### **Albin Elementary School**

Thursdays: February 2, 16 12:30-3:10pm

#### **Albin Post Office**

Thursdays: February 2, 16 3:15-4:00pm

#### **Capital Greens Apartments**

Tuesdays: February 14, 28 3:30-5:00pm

#### **Carpenter Elementary** School

Thursdays: February 9, 23 12:30-3:15pm

#### Carpenter-Evans Park

Thursdays: February 9, 23 3:20-4:00pm

#### **Cheyenne Hills School**

Friday, February 3 9-10:30am

#### **Destiny Christian Academy**

Tuesdays: February 7, 21 9am-12pm

#### **Pershing Pointe Apartments**

Mondays: February 13, 27 3:30-5:00pm

#### **Prairie View Apartments**

Tuesdays: February 7, 21 3:30-5:00pm

#### **West Winds Park**

Monday, February 6 3:30-5:00pm

Schedule is subject to change due

You're invited to a party! A book party! literacy class, and a little bit more! We will read and talk about books, sing, play, and

#### \*RSVP REQUIRED

Visit LaramieCountyLibrary.org/calendar or scan this QR code to RSVP for an event.



# **Early Literacy Activities**

#### 100 Books for Every Child: A **Beanstack Challenge**

Beginning January 1, 2023, we are encouraging children ages 3-5 (and their parents/caregivers) to read Laramie County Library System's 100 Books for Every Child as part of an ongoing Beanstack challenge! These 100 books were carefully curated by Laramie County Library System's youth librarians who recommend that the titles are read to every child before they enter kindergarten. After you read all 100 books and track them in Beanstack. come to the Cheyenne library's 2nd floor to receive a book prize package! (Ages 3–5 Years; Beanstack Challenge)

#### **Tales Together**

Tuesdays: February 7, 14, 21, 28 Wednesdays: February 1, 15, 22 Thursdays: February 9, 16, 23 10:15-10:45am

Join us for an interactive early literacy class for preschool children and their caregivers. Practice new skills incorporating books, songs, rhymes, movement, and more! (Ages 18 Months – 5 Years; Early Literacy Center)

#### **Ready Readers**

Wednesdays: February 1, 15, 22 Thursdays: February 9, 16, 23 10:15-10:45am

Do you have a preschooler that will be going to kindergarten? Come join us! We will be reading books, singing songs, working on fine motor skills, and more to help get your child ready to jump into school! This event is meant for preschoolers who will be going into kindergarten in the fall of 2023. (Ages 4-5; Sage Room)

#### \*RSVP Required

#### **Virtual Tales Together**

Thursdays: February 2, 9, 16, 23 9:30-10am

Join us for a live virtual Tales Together via Zoom! During this interactive early literacy class, we will practice new skills incorporating books, songs, rhymes, movement, and more! RSVP online to receive an email with the Zoom link. (Ages 18 Months – 5 Years; Live via Zoom)

#### **Play Together!**

#### Thursday, February 2 10:15-11am

Welcome to our new "Guided Play" early literacy class. Enjoy a few stories on Blocks and Building, then play together with our awesome collection of blocks! We will have fun prompts on getting the most out of block play.

(Ages 18 Months – 5 Years; Early Literacy Center)

#### **Book Babies**

#### Fridays: February 3, 10, 17, 24 10:15-11am

Join us for a short early literacy class designed just for babies and their caregivers! Enjoy books, songs, lap bounces, and rhymes! Afterwards, babies can play with our educational toys while caregivers visit. (Ages Birth-24 Months; Early Literacy Center)

#### **Yoga Together**

#### Wednesday, February 8 Saturday, February 18 10:15 - 10:45am

Come and experience stories, stretching, and fun with a special early literacy class. This month's theme is Love and Friendship.

(Ages 18 Months - 5 Years; Cottonwood Room)



## **StoryWalk® Title of the Month:**

Bad Dog by Mike Boldt

#### Did you know?

All of our Early Literacy Classes follow a theme each week, so you can attend whichever session works best for your schedule!

#### **Early Literacy Class Themes by Week:**

January 31: Bath and Bedtime February 7: Family February 14: Down by the Pond February 21: Zoo Stories February 28: Strike Up the Band



Look for Elsie's paw print for all Early Literacy Class dates on the calendar grid, pages 9-10.



and what are they doing in the library?

Elsie and Eddie are the early literacy mascots for Laramie County Library System. You'll see them around the library and sometimes around town! Wherever they are, they are helping to get young children ready to read!



#### RSVP REOUIRED Visit Iclsonline.org/ early-literacy-programming or scan this QR code to RSVP to an early literacy activity.

#### **ELC Information:**

Letters of the Month: M/N Number of the Month: 20 Color of the Month: Brown

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| B Burns, p. 17 PB Pine Bluffs, p. 17-18 V. = Virtual event LH=Library Hours *RSVP today at LaramieCountyLibrary.org             |   | B PB Feb READO Challenge,<br>Feb 1-28, LH<br>B PB Puzzle Piece Art<br>Collaboration, Feb 1-28, LH  | B Read-Aloud to a Therapy<br>Dog, 3:30pm   | PB Fun for Kids!,10am   | B Movies at the Library, 1pm<br>PB Friday Matinee, 1:30pm  |   |
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## **Teen Events**

#### \*RSVP Required

#### Virtual SaturD&D

Saturdays: February 4, 11, 18, 25

1-3pm

Role-playing adventure is just a click away. Join our Teen D&D online community and get started on creating a character today. Don't have a Discord account yet? No problem! Laramie County Library offers Discord Communities for teens to interact, chat, and play online. To participate, you will need a phone, tablet, or computer with internet connection and a Discord account. You will receive the Discord invite link and information needed to create an account when you RSVP online for the event. (Teens; Live via Discord)

#### **Homeschool Hangout**

Tuesdays: February 7, 21

11am-12pm

Join us for fun and interesting activities during your trip to the library. At each hangout we will offer crafts, STEM, or improv activities. You never know what you will get, so come and see what's happening!

(Grades 3–12; Sage Room)

#### **Improv for Teens**

Tuesdays: February 14, 28

6-7pm

Come laugh and learn at Improv for Teens! Create scenes through improvisational games, work cooperatively with others, and build real life skills. Experience new ways to think on your feet and unlock your creative potential in a supportive collaborative environment!

(Teens; Sage Room)

#### \*RSVP REQUIRED

Visit LaramieCountyLibrary.org/calendar

or scan this QR code to RSVP for an event.





It's time to dance dance dance the night away. Join us for our Valentine's Day Silent Rave! You'll get your own set of headphones so you can be dancing by yourself in a room with other people dancing by themselves. It's weird, but it works! You can also request 5 songs that will be added to our playlist for the evening. Spots are limited, so sign up online today!

## **Adult Events**

\*RSVP Required for Online Attendees

#### Alzheimer's and Dementia **Educational Series: Effective** Communication Strategies

#### Tuesday, February 7 11am-1pm

This program teaches caregivers to decode verbal and behavioral communication by someone with Alzheimer's and other dementias. Participants will leave with strategies for meaningful connection with people in early, middle, and late stage dementia. Attendees can participate in person or via Zoom. Visit https://bit. ly/AlzLaramieCounty to register and receive Zoom information. (Adults; Sunflower Room or via Zoom)

#### **Library for All**

#### Thursday, February 9 12:30-2pm

Welcome to our program geared specifically toward adults with disabilities! Join us for crafts, science, and LEGO® fun! For February, we'll make a sweet take-home treat and do Valentine's Day crafts. Please bring your staff with you. (Adults; Cottonwood Room)

#### **Positive Aging: Bridges of Madison County**

#### Friday, February 10 1:30-4pm

Please join us in viewing an adaptation of Robert James Waller's romantic novel Bridges of Madison County (rated PG-13. 2001). A photojournalist and housewife have a brief encounter that changes their lives forever. Refreshments and movie theater popcorn will be provided as you delight in the chemistry of Clint Eastwood and Meryl Streep. Discussion to follow.

(Adults; Cottonwood Room)

#### 51 Years of Freedom

#### Saturday, February 11 2-4pm

Join Wyoming historian Kylie McCormick to commemorate the anniversary of women's suffrage in our state! From Kylie's website: "In 1869 Wyoming made history as the first U.S. territory to give women the right to vote. Fifty-one years later, the nation followed Wyoming's lead. A fresh take on a longstanding controversy, this presentation offers critical new evidence to Wyoming's suffrage story and restores the contributions to the movement made by both Dr. Grace Raymond Hebard and Esther Hobart Morris." (Adults; Cottonwood Room)

\*RSVP Required

#### **Speed Friending** Thursday, February 9 6-7:30pm

Are you new to town? Trying to meet new people? Join us for a casual night of "speed friending" and meet a new pal! Feel free to bring friends or join us individually. Snacks and supplies for Valentine's-or anti-Valentine's-cards will be provided. RSVP online to reserve your spot.

(Adults; Sunflower Room)

#### \*RSVP Required for Online Attendees Alzheimer's and Dementia **Educational Series: Healthy Living**

## for Your Brain and Body

#### Tuesday, February 14 11am-1pm

For centuries, we've known that the health of the brain and the body are connected. But now, science is able to provide insights into how to optimize our physical and cognitive health as we age. Participants will learn about research in the areas of diet and nutrition, exercise, cognitive activity, and social engagement. Participants will use hands-on tools to help incorporate these recommendations into a plan for healthy aging. The American Red Cross will also address emergency planning for caregivers. Attendees can participate in person or via Zoom. Visit https://bit. ly/AlzLaramieCounty to register and receive Zoom information.

(Adults: Sunflower Room or via Zoom)

#### \*RSVP Required

#### **Adult Craft Night:** V-Day Paint 'N Sip

#### Tuesday, February 14 Wednesday, February 15 6:30-8pm

It's a Valentine's Day night out for you and your favorite crafting partner! Join us for an adults-only, fun and easy paintalong accompanied by a yummy hot cocoa bar! We are offering two evenings of Paint 'N Sip fun, so choose one and visit our website to reserve your spot. 18 and over, please.

(Adults; Sunflower Room)

#### **Great Backyard Bird Count** Introduction: How to Identify Winter Birds and Count Them

#### Thursday, February 16 6-8pm

Come hear from members of the Cheyenne-High Plains Audubon Society as they discuss common birds in our area in preparation for the Great Backyard Bird Count, an annual science project for everyday citizens. This event will be followed by a birding event in Lions Park on February 18. Families are welcome.

(Adults & Families; Sunflower Room)

#### Classic Conversations: Lunch & Learn

#### Friday, February 17 12-1pm

Join Maestro William Intriligator and guest electric guitarist D.J. Sparr for an informal and entertaining discussion including musical insights about the concert on February 18. Patrons may attend in person in the Cottonwood Room, or view the livestream on the Cheyenne Symphony Orchestra's Facebook page.

(Adults; Cottonwood Room)

#### \*RSVP REQUIRED

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and receive the Zoom link via email.



# **Library to Business Events**

# **Great Backyard Bird Count: Birding at Lions Park**

#### Saturday, February 18 10–11:30am

Join members of the Cheyenne-High Plains Audubon Society and Laramie County Library System for a birding excursion! We will meet in front of the Paul Smith Children's Village before counting birds together in Lions Park. A limited number of binoculars will be provided and families are welcome. (Adults & Families; Paul Smith Children's Village-616 S. Lions Park Drive)

# Positive Aging: *Hidden Figures*Friday, February 24 1:30–4pm

Please join us in viewing *Hidden Figures* (PG, 2016), an Oscar-nominated film that tackles racial and gender discrimination in the 1960s. Portrayed by an all-star cast including Octavia Spencer and Kevin Costner, three black female mathematicians provide critical calculations that fuel NASA's space race over three decades. Refreshments and movie theater popcorn will be provided. Discussion to follow. (Adults: Cottonwood Room)



# High Altitude Gardening 101: Flower Seed Starting

#### Sunday, February 25 1–3pm

You don't have to wait until the last frost to get flower seeds started. Learn what different ornamental seeds need to sprout and how you can get a jump on growing a beautiful garden by planting flower seeds in the dead of winter. Presented by the Seed Library of Laramie County, a joint project of Laramie County Library System and Laramie County Master Gardeners. (Adults; Early Literacy Center)

#### **Book Discussion Group**

# Tuesday, February 28 6–7:30pm

February's read will be James McBride's quirky historical fiction novel *The Good Lord Bird* which depicts the events of "Bleeding Kansas" through the eyes of young narrator Henry Shackleford. Henry takes up with illustrious abolitionist John Brown and eventually finds himself swept up in the historical Harpers Ferry raid of 1859. Come to the library's 3rd floor to retrieve your copy of the book and join us for tea and scones on the last Tuesday of the month. (Adults; Windflower Room)

#### One-on-One Consultations: Small Business, Nonprofit, Job Seekers

#### February 1-28

#### **Library Hours**

Whether you are starting a business, helping a nonprofit, finding a new job, or exploring money management resources, Library 2 Business (L2B) can connect you with community experts and reliable resources. Go to **lclsonline.org/services/l2b/** or visit the 3rd floor Ask Here desk and sign up for a free and personalized consultation with the Business Services Coordinator. (Adults: 3rd Floor)

#### **Taxpayer Advocate Service: Problem Solving Day**

#### Thursday, February 2

#### 9am-4:30pm

The Taxpayer Advocate Service (TAS) will be available throughout the day to educate taxpayers on filing accurate tax returns, provide refund timing information, and inform taxpayers about self-help tools and resources for checking on refund statuses. TAS can also assist individuals and small businesses with tax issues they have not been able to resolve with the IRS. Take advantage of this free service and drop in any time during the event for personalized, step-by-step guidance. (Adults; Willow Room)

# **Genealogy Events**

# **German-American Genealogy: Researching Your German Immigrant Ancestors**

#### Saturday, February 18

#### 4-5:30pm

We will discuss the complicated history of Germany and Germanic regions of Europe, and the various waves of German immigration to the U.S. along with the many resources available for genealogy researchers both in the U.S. and in Europe. (Adults; Sunflower Room)

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## **Burns and Pine Bluffs Events**

#### Puzzle Piece Art Collaboration February 1-28 **Library Hours**

Puzzle away with our collaborative art project! Select a random puzzle piece and design to your heart's content with the provided art supplies. When done, add your creative piece to the puzzle. At the end of the month we will get to enjoy the finished puzzle art masterpiece.

(Grades K-12; Burns & Pine Bluffs Branch Libraries)

#### **February READO Challenge** February 1-28

#### **Library Hours**

Drop into the library to pick up a bingo reading challenge sheet and show how much you love to read. Complete the READO sheet and return it to the library to receive a cool prize!

(Pre-K-Grade 5; Burns & Pine Bluffs Branch Libraries)



## **Burns Events**

#### **Movies at the Library**

#### Fridays: February 3, 10, 17, 24 1-3pm

Come to the Burns Branch Library each Friday to watch a family-friendly film. Feel free to bring your favorite snacks; we'll provide the popcorn! (All Ages; Burns Branch Library)

#### Movies by week:

February 3: Aladdin (PG) February 10: Lady and the Tramp (G) February 17: Lyle, Lyle Crocodile (PG) February 24: The Bad Guys (PG)

#### **Make It Mondays**

#### Mondays: February 6, 13, 27 1-5pm

Make and take home a heart-shaped bird feeder to show kindness to our feathered friends! (All Ages; Burns Branch Library)

## **Pine Bluffs Events**

#### Read-Aloud to a Therapy Dog

#### Wednesday, February 1 3:30-4:30pm

In honor of World Read-Aloud Day, we invite you to have a furry good time with our friend Deborah Morrison and her therapy canine companion, Madison. Everyone loves to hear a story, even Madison, and here's your chance to practice reading aloud to her. This event is presented in alliance with Canines for Christ.

(Children & Families; Pine Bluffs Branch Library)

#### Fun for Kids!

#### Thursdays: February 2, 9, 16, 23 10-10:45am

Join us for an interactive storytime session to promote early literacy through books, songs, puppets, crafts, and much more! (Pre-K & Families; Pine Bluffs Branch Library)

#### Themes by week:

February 2: Snowmen February 9: Space February 16: Bath and Bedtime February 23: Family

#### **Friday Matinee**

#### Fridays: February 3, 10, 17, 24 1:30-3:30pm

Spend your Friday afternoons at the library to watch a family-friendly matinee. Each week will feature a different movie. Bring a favorite snack and enjoy the show! (Children & Families; Pine Bluffs Branch Library)

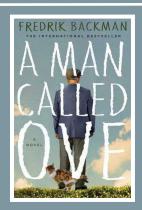
#### Movies by week:

February 3: The Bad Guys (PG) February 10: Aladdin (PG) February 17: Gnomeo and Juliet (G) February 24: Lyle, Lyle Crocodile (PG)

#### **Craftastic Tuesdays**

#### Tuesdays: February 7, 14, 21, 28 10am-6:30pm

Get crafty at the library! Make and take home a heart-shaped bird feeder to show kindness to our feathered friends! (All Ages; Pine Bluffs Branch Library)



#### Lunch Bunch Book Club and Movie Saturday, February 18

#### 12-1pm

Join us for an exciting discussion of A Man Called Ove by Fredrik Backman. Please bring a lunch for yourself to enjoy during our book hour. Then, catch a ride on the community bus to Kimball, NE to watch the 2pm matinee showing of *A Man Called Otto* (rated PG-13) starring Tom Hanks at the Goodhand Theater. For more information about the book or the matinee movie, please call the library at 307-245-3646 or visit with staff. (Adults; Pine Bluffs Branch Library)

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#### Cheyenne

2200 Pioneer Avenue Cheyenne, WY 82001-3610 307-634-3561 LaramieCountyLibrary.org

Hours:

Monday-Thursday 10am-9pm Friday, Saturday 10am-6pm Sunday 1pm-5pm

The Library Café Hours:

Monday—Thursday 7:45am–6pm Friday 7:45am–5pm Saturday 10am–4pm Sunday Closed

#### Burns

112 Main Street Burns, WY 82053 307-547-2249

LaramieCountyLibrary.org /branches/burns

Hours:

Monday 1pm-5pm

Tuesday 10am–12:30pm; 1pm–5pm Wednesday Closed

Thursday 10am-12:30pm; 1pm-7pm Friday 10am-12:30pm; 1pm-5pm

Saturday 9am–12pm Sunday Closed

#### **Pine Bluffs**

110 East 2nd Street Pine Bluffs, WY 82082 307-245-3646

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Hours:

Monday Closed
Tuesday 10am-12:30pm; 1pm-7pm
Wednesday-Thursday 10am-12:30pm; 1pm-5pm

Friday 1pm–5pm Saturday 9am–12pm Sunday Closed

#### **Bookmobile**

307-773-7228

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