





Season's Readings from Potter the Library Kitty

It is the most wonderful time of the year, when we count our blessings and give thanks for family, friends, and our community! Here at WCPL, we have many blessings to count! I wanted to check-in (book pun intended) with the library staff and find out some things for which they are thankful, ... here they are!

Time with family and friends

Health (Easy access to doctors and vets..."Purr"sonally, I have nine lives.)

Amazing Friends of the Library

Nature at its best (No bad weather, please)

Kindness of donor's and supporters

Sweet faces of children

Grants for books, technology, library programs

Interesting visitors to the library (We love sharing our library resources!)

Volunteers who give up their free time to help us

Inquisitive and open-minded people

New genealogy and local history collection available to the public

God's love and understanding

Our WCPL family would like to wish you and yours a very Happy Holidays! See you soon at WCPL! Remember, "Santa Paws" is watching!

Ghost Writer: Brenda Howard



GENEALOGY FAMILY HISTORY

The Washington County Public Library held a ribbon cutting ceremony Oct 22 for the new Genealogy & Local History Collection, which recognizes nearly 50 years of local history and family research. We appreciate this wonderful addition to the library's collection of local history and genealogy resource. This is a gift to the next generation that comes behind us. It's a legacy to be left to be enjoyed by other children. This collection has been a vital resource for people for out of state who are tracking family history. The genealogy and local



history collection was donated by the Edith Jordan Wilcox Estate and is in memory of Carrie Maud Jordan and Doris Jordan Brown and is in honor of Barbara Waddell. A big thanks to Ms. Brenda Howard, who has spent over a year of her time getting all of the collection cataloged. New micrographic computer equipment was funded through grants from ALA-TOM RC&D and Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA) Grant through the Alabama Public Library Service. A Genealogy Workshop conducted by Mrs. Barbara Waddell who taught family research and demonstrated Ancestry.com (Joe C. Granade Memorial subscription) followed the ribbon cutting. We encourage families to donate a copy of their genealogy records for inclusion in this new local history collection.



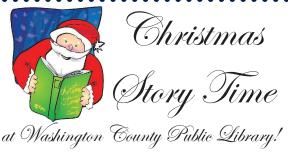
PUBLIC LIBRARY



Hello my name is

Terri Flowers

I'm so excited to be the new children's coordinator. I will also be teaching adult literacy as well as driving the Bookmobile. I'm an alumnus of WCHS, and have lived in Washington County my entire life. I attended Auburn University, and received a certificate to teach adult Literacy. I have taught literacy for 25 years in Clarke and Washington County. My husband, Terry and I have two sons, Zach, who is currently serving in the United States Air Force, and Quinton, a student at the University of South Alabama. I am looking forward to working with the people of our community. Come see me for storytime!



Christmas Stories and Carols

Friday, December 18th 5:30pm - 7:30pm







Wear your PJ's for cookies and cocoa!

Better be good!!!

Santa is expected!





We will have





at Washington County Public Library Wednesday, December 9th

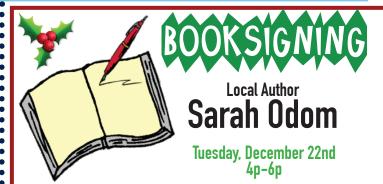








23rd Annual Art Auction & Dinner February 26th, 2016





WCPL will be closed on the following days:

December 24th & 25th December 31st January 1st





WCPL Staff Development Training

During closed days for a recent HVAC replacement, WCPL hosted staff members from the Mobile Public Library, who trained WCPL staff members on technology, e-readers, digital devices, web-based resources, 3-D printing and customer service! The Alabama Public Library Service also provided webinars on Free Online educational resources available through the State Library. Visit WCPL or check out our website wcpls.org to learn more about these educational resources!



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