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- Happy Holidays
- New Fiction (Adventure Fiction)
- Staff Biographies
- New Audiobooks/ DVDs/ Music CDs

#### HAPPY HOLIDAYS FROM THE STAFF OF THE LIBRARY

#### **Happy Holidays**

We will have special holiday hours for the last two weeks of December.

December 24th and 31st we are open from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

December 25th and January 1st the library will be closed for the holiday celebrations. Have a safe and happy holiday season.

Writer's Group: November was National Writing Month. This meeting we will share what we have been working on during the month of November. We are open to new members and welcoming to new members. We meet on Monday, December 10th at 6:30 p.m.

Cookbook Book Club: December Cookbook Book Club is serving cookies on Thursday, December 13th at 6:30 p.m. To participate bring cookies to share with the group, along with the book, magazine, or newspaper from which you got the recipe. Also bring an ingredient list, so that we can don't have any allergic accidents.

December Holidays: The following are a list of December Holidays.

- Hanukkah (December 2-
- Christmas (December 25th)
- Boxing Day (December
- Kwanza (December 26-January 1)
- Omisoka (December 31)

Whatever you celebrate this season, have a safe and happy holiday.



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### STAFF BIOGRAPHIES: MEET ODESSA COOLEY

I am no doubt the loudest librarian on staff here. My name is Odessa and I am the Youth Librarian. I have a love of working with children and encouraging them to read and release their creative and imaginative side.

Right after graduating from South Sioux City High School, I thought technology was my chosen career and went to college for computer programming. I discovered have a passion for technology, but I didn't want it to be my job. So, I needed to find a different path for my life.

I moved to Omaha and was a stay at home mother and volunteered with my sons' school. I really enjoyed that time I had to be with him while he was young. As he aged, I found that he didn't "need" me as much, so I returned to the work force. I went to work for a public school district in Omaha and fell in love with working with children. I knew that I had found a passion that I needed to follow. I stayed

with that job for the next four years, while I lived in Omaha.

I missed being in my "hometown" of South Sioux City and decided to move home. My family is all close to this city and I missed them while living in Omaha. I decided to take a move out of the public schools and applied for my current position. I have loved every minute of my career choice and have even started attending college again, but working on my library science degree.

In-between my teens' activities, my job, and my schooling I love to dig into my ancestry and follow the trails of history. I enjoy reading, but, I do not have a select genre that I stick to. In the warmer months you may find me in my flower garden loving my flowers to death. My grandmother says I have a "brown thumb" because my plants usually die. Scrapbooking, digital photography, baking, crafting and sewing are all other time fillers for me.

#### DECEMBER MOVIES



October Movies

Family Movies: We show movies each Monday at 4:00 p.m. and each Saturday at 1:00 p.m.

Early Man (Sat, Dec. 1st) Set at the dawn of time, when prehistoric creatures and woolly mammoths roamed the earth, this tells the story of Dug, along with sidekick Hognob as they unite his tribe against a mighty enemy Lord Nooth and his Bronze Age City to save their home.

The Santa Claus (Dec. 3rd &

8th) Scott, a busy toy company executive, and his son Charlie hear a noise on the roof on Christmas Eve. Scott goes out to investigate and accidentally kills Santa Claus. Because of "the Santa clause," Scott inherits the job of Santa.

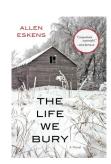
Doctor Seuss' How the Grinch Stole Christmas

(Dec. 10th & 15th) Why is the Grinch such a grouch? No one seems to know, until little Cindy Lou Who takes matters into her own hands and turns both

Whoville and the Grinch's world upside down, inside out, and funny side up in her search for the true meaning of Christmas.

Polar Express (Dec. 17th & 22nd) When a doubting young boy takes an extraordinary train ride to the North Pole, he embarks on a journey of self-discovery that shows him that the wonder of life never fades for those who believe.

### December Cover to Cover



The Life we Bury by
Allen Eskens

Cover to Cover book club meets on Monday, December 10th at 3:00 p.m. They will discuss The Life We Bury by Allen Eskens. In this book, College student Joe Talbert has the modest goal of completing a writing assignment for an English class. His task is to interview a stranger and write a brief biography of the person. With deadlines looming, loe heads to a nearby nursing home to find a willing subject. There he meets Carl Iverson,a dying Vietnam veteran -- and a convicted murderer, medically paroled to a nursing home, after spending thirty years in

prison for the crimes of rape and murder. Unable to reconcile Carl's valor in Vietnam with the despicable acts of the convict, Joe throws himself into uncovering the truth.

#### If you Like The Life We Bury

- Night Passage by Robert B.
   Parker
- The First Rule by Robert Crais
- Grave Secrets by Charlaine Harris
- The Bone Orchard by Paul Dorion

- Home by Tomi Morrison
- King and Maxwell by David Baldacci
- Winter's Bone by David Worrell
- Odd Child Out by Gilly Macmillian
- Student Body by Susan Rogers Cooper
- If We Were Villains by M.L. Rio
- Welcome to Braggsville by T. Geronimo Johnson
- Kill Me If You Can by James Patterson

### NEW AUDIOBOOKS/ DVD'S/ MUSIC CD'S



Cardboard and Christmas Lights by the Rough & Tumble

#### **Audiobooks**

- Cardboard and Christmas lights by the Rough & Tumble (MCD FOLK ROU) Music CDs
- Now That's What I Call Country 11 (MCD COUN NOW)
- Cardboard and Christmas Lights by the Rough and Tumble (MCD FOLK ROU)
- Pieces and Pieces by the Rough and Tumble (MCD FOLK ROU)

#### **DVDs**

- The Star (DVD CHI STA)
- The Disaster Artist (DVD DRA
- Murder on the Orient Express (DVD DRA MUR)
- Outlander Season 3 (DVD TV OUT)
- 13 Reasons Why Season 1 (DVD TV THI)
- Dog Training 101 (DVD 636.7 DOG)
- Sci-Phi: Science Fiction as Philosophy (DVD 791.436 SCI)

We Made Ourselves a Home when we did not Know by the Rough and Tumble (MCD FOLK ROU)

#### GIFTS AND DONATIONS

The Library accepts gifts of books and other materials with the understanding that the donated items will be added to the collection only if appropriate and needed. If they are not needed because of duplication, condition of donated materials, or dated information; the Library Director can place them into the used book sale materials.

Memorial gifts of books or money are also accepted with suitable bookplates placed in the book.

Specific memorial books can be ordered for the Library upon the request of a patron if the request meets the criteria established by the Library Board.

Items we can't accept are old encyclopedia sets, National Geographic magazines and water damaged materials.

The South Sioux City Public Library encourages and appreciates gifts and donations.

Tax forms will be at the library during the month of January. Tax forms are changing this year. The library provides you with tax forms, but library staff are not qualified to answer tax questions.

DONATE

Gifts and Donations

## Job and Career Accelerator

For job seekers in the Siouxland area help has arrived! Job & Career Accelerator, a comprehensive online job search system, is now available to help overwhelmed job seekers find employment. This innovative online resource provides job seekers everything they need to find their next job, all in one easy-to-use application. The online program is available to patrons of the **South Sioux City Public Library** at no charge with their library

South Sioux City Public Library or from any internetenabled computer by going to (http://

www.southsiouxcity.org/ library ) LearningExpress Job & Career Accelerator™ provides personalized, stepby-step assistance for job seekers at all experience and education levels-from exploring and matching suitable occupations from over 1,000 detailed occupation profiles to finding available card and can be accessed at the jobs in their area from a

database of over 5 million upto-date job postings. With Job & Career Accelerator, users can easily create professional resumes and cover letters, master interviewing and networking techniques, improve work related skills, and prepare for occupation related exams. In addition, it helps job seekers plan, tailor, and track multiple job searches at the same time while providing expert advice and tips every step. The end result is the most efficient and effective job search possible. To find out more about how you can access Job & Career Accelerator, call the South Sioux City Public Library 402-494-7545 or stop by and ask any of your neighborhood librarians for more information.

#### **NEWSLETTER TITLE**

#### NEBRASKA ACCESS DATABASES

Explora allows patrons to browse or search across multiple databases, including five of the databases listed below. Browse by broad topic area or search by a general interest, health, legal, biographical, or other topic for full text popular magazine and journal articles, and other resources.

**MasterFile:** Search popular magazines, journals, and other sources for info on a variety of topics.

**Consumer Health Complete:** Access full text information and videos on health and wellness.

Legal Information Reference Center: Find full text consumer legal information plus legal forms from all states

Small Business Reference Center: Learn how to start, finance, or manage a small business.

Psychology and Behavioral Science Collection: Search full text journal articles covering psychology, behavior, and more.

Science and Technology Collection: Search full text scholarly journals covering science and technology.

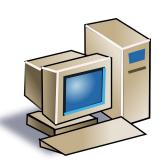
Login with your:

- NebraskAccess Password
- Nebraska Driver's License Number
- State Identification Number

You must be a Nebraska resident to access these resources. Login information is used to verify that you are a resident and is not used for identification purposes. NebraskAccess passwords change on April I and October I of each year. Please contact your local library for your current NebraskAccess password.



### MILITARY FAMILIES' COMPUTER



Military Family
Computer

Families of military personnel can contact their loved ones through the South Sioux City Public Library

The computer is equipped with a camera and voice over internet capabilities to allow military families to communicate with their loved ones who are serving in Iraq, Afghanistan, or other fields of service throughout the world. This computer is dedicated to this single purpose, as a service of the South Sioux City Public Library, the city of South Sioux City and generous donors who

want to help support our troops and their families back home.

Library Director said this of the donation:

"Part of the mission of the South Sioux City Public Library is to provide services for the community utilizing a variety of technologies. As a former veteran, I know from experience both the cost and the importance of communicating with family at home. We are happy to be able to provide this service to the

families of those who are serving in other parts of the world."

http://www.youtube.com/watch? v=ACdVjmlkII&list=UUXaMLWUx2J-REK9qD5aSREw&index=19

# Testing and Educational Reference Center

Testing & Education Reference Center is a start-to-finish resource with all the information and support materials needed to make informed, confident decisions to shape the rest of your life.

Over 300 practice tests and courses
Dozens of ebooks containing valuable study material and practice tests
Information on over 4,000 accredited schools
Scholarship search featuring \$8

billion in available scholarships Resume builder with over 1,000 brainstorming phrases to get you started

Career modules covering subjects from career change to salary negotiations.



### HOLIDAY FICTION

The following are some of the latest holiday fiction.

The Noel Diary by Richard Paul Evans (FIC EVA)

Christmas Cake Murder by Joanne Fluke (FIC FLU)

Raspberry Danish Murder by Joanne Fluke (FIC FLU)

People we Hate at a Wedding by Grant Ginder (FIC GIN)

A gift of Bones by Carolyn Haines (FIC HAI)

Winter Solstice by Elin Hilderbrand (FIC HIL)

Seven Days of Us by Francesca Hornak (FIC HOR)

Thomas Kinkade's Cape Light Christmas blessings by Katherine Spenser (FIC KIN)

Alaskan Holiday by Debbie Macomber (FIC MAC)

Do Not Become Alarmed by Malie Meloy (FIC MEL)

The Color of Fear by Marcia Muller (FIC MUL)

A Christmas Revelation by Anne Perry (FIC PER)

Chasing Christmas Eve by Jill Shavlis (PBK S)

Tangled up in Tinsel by Candis Terry (PBK T)

Sugar Pine Trail by RayAnne Thayne (FIC THA)

### AUDIO & E-BOOKS VIA OVERDRIVE

Audio and E-Books via OverDrive All library patrons are able to checkout digital audiobooks and e-books through our Nebraska OverDrive Libraries service. To checkout a book you have to have a valid library card with no fines. To access Nebraska OverDrive Library go to our website http://www.southsioxucity.org/library. You will then click on Databases. Then you will need to click on Download Audiobooks and E-books.

From here you can search by title

or browse titles to find books you would like to checkout.
Click on add to cart
Click on Proceed to Checkout
Select South Sioux City Public
Library

Enter your Library Card Number Click on Confirm Checkout

#### Popular on Overdrive

- 1. Release Me by J. Kenner
- Dakota Dawn by Lauraine Snelling
- 3. Crazy Rich Asians by Kevin Kwan
- 4. Natalie Birthday Wishes by Colleen Coble
- 5. Hearts of Darkness by Kira Brady
- 6. Beautiful Goodbye by Nancy Runstedler
- 7. The Forgotten by David Baldacci



### NEW NONFICTION

The Lagom Life: a Swedish Way of Living: Balance, Harmony, Beauty, Sufficiency by Elisabeth Carlsson (179.9 CAR)

Resistance is Futile!: How the Trump Hating Left Lost Its Collective Mind by Anne Coulter (320.51 COU)

Pants Drunk: the Finnish Path to Relaxation by Miska Rantanen (394.1 RAN) Taste of Home's Holidays and Celebrations Cookbook 2018 (641.5 TAS)

Project Fire: Cutting-edge Techniques and Sizzling Recipes from the Caveman Porterhouse to Salt Slab Brownie S'mores by Steven Raichlen (641.7 RAI)

Sew Luxe Leather: over 20 Stylish Leather Craft Accessories by Roxanna Claire Gethin (646 GET) The Advanced Photography Guide (771 ADV)

Giants: the Dwarves of Auschwitz: the Extraordinary Story of the Lilliput Troupe by Yehuda Koren (940.53 KOR)

Fear: Trump in the White House by Bob Woodward (973.932





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Where quality of life is a cardinal rule.

### STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS

Be Prepared by Vera Brosgol. We recently got in a new graphic novel called "Be Prepared" by Vera Brosgol.

It's about a young girl trying to find her place where she just doesn't fit in. She finds out there is a camp full of kids who share her family's culture and she is excited to finally feel "normal". To her surprise, it isn't as easy as she expects. Young Vera encounters wild animals, bullies. and worst of all, the "Hollywood" (the outhouse). This story is full of laughs and super relatable for anyone who has ever felt like they don't fit in (and those of us who prefer the indoors).— Michaela Frerichs

The Lives we Bury by Allen Eskins; Allen Eskens presents a fastpaced thriller in The Life We Bury. The novel is set in Minnesota and lowa, in which Joe, a nontraditional college student works at a bar as a bouncer, goes to class and takes care of his alcoholic mother and autistic brother. An assignment for writing class leads him to interview a convicted murderer and rapist and murderer in order to write his biography. The assignment leads him into a world of a Vietnam vet and that of a pedophile and killer.

The Kid by Ron Hansen; Ron Hansen writes a fast-paced, historical fiction, biography of Billy the Kid in The Kid. Hansen begins with the origins of his family in Ireland, their immigration to the United States, as well as his mother's battle to raise a family. The author follows Billy as he leaves home to raise try to

make a living on his own. The reader gets a look at his work life as cowboy in the Southwest and in Mexico. I found little nuggets that I had never considered, like when Jesse James went to New Mexico to recruit the Kid for his gang after the Northfield, Minnesota bank robbery. These things may be totally fictional, but it added color to the novel. Readers of westerns will love this book. Lovers of western history will love this too.

