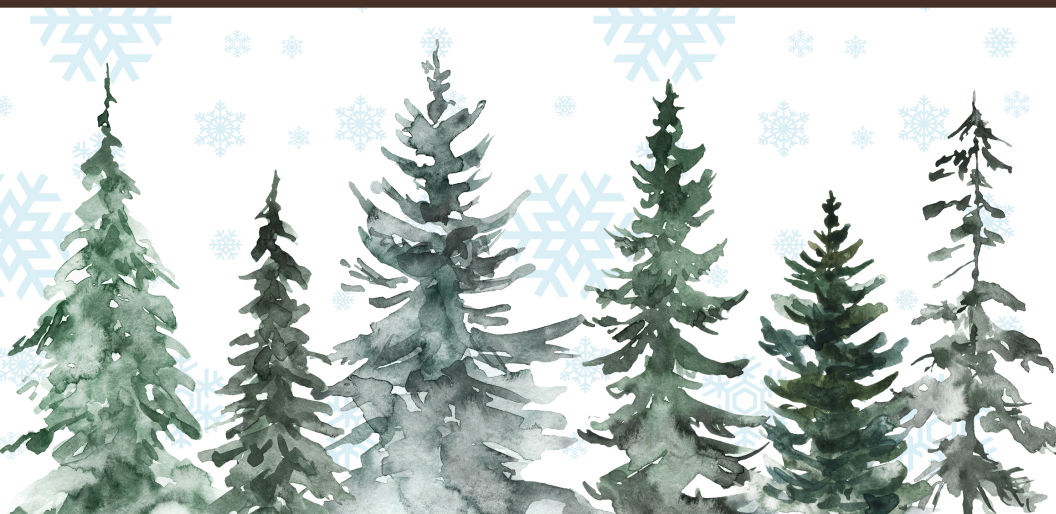


# December & January Newsletter

TWO HARBORS PUBLIC LIBRARY



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**Mondays, 9:30 am – 5:00 pm**

**Tuesdays, 11:30 am – 7:00 pm**

**Wednesdays, 9:30 am – 5:00 pm**

**Thursdays, 11:30 am – 7:00 pm**

**Fridays, 9:30 am – 5:00 pm**

# Reoccurring Weekly Events

## Storytime

**10:30-11:00 am, Wednesdays**

For Children and their Caregivers, Children's Area  
Enjoy a few stories and a craft or activity.

## The Teacher Is In: Adult Education Office Hours

**9:30 am-12:00 pm, Wednesdays**

For Adults, Library Meeting Room

Visit with Deann about completing your GED, gaining basic computer skills, increasing reading, writing, and math abilities, improving your English language skills, preparing for college, and more.

## Game Day for Adults with Community Partners

**1:00-3:00 pm, Wednesdays**

For Adults, Library Meeting Room

Chess, cribbage, cards, and more! Adults are invited to a drop-in game afternoon. Light refreshments will be provided. We are excited to present this series in collaboration with Community Partners.

# December Take and Makes

## Felt Mitten and Heart Pocket Take & Create Kits

Starting December 2nd! *This program, sponsored by Arrowhead Library System, was funded in part or in whole with money from Minnesota's Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund.*

## Macrame Take & Make Kits

Starting December 9th! *This program is sponsored by the Friends of the Two Harbors Public Library.*

Pick them both up at the Library Front Desk while supplies last!

# Support the Friends!

Czech It Out! Castle Danger Brewery is donating proceeds from their small batch dark Czech lager to the Friends of the Two Harbors Public Library. Get this taproom exclusive while it is still available!

## December 2-6

**ATLAS (At The Library After School)**

**Thursday, December 5, 3:45-4:30 pm**

**For Middle-Schoolers, Two Harbors High School Library**

Join us to chill and hang out! We'll have free snacks, a homework focus area, and a themed day which changes every week. We'll rotate STEAM, art, games, and comic activities. This week's theme is STEAM.

**Gunflint Falling: Blowdown in the Boundary Waters**

**Author Talk by Cary J. Griffith**

**Friday, December 6, 10:00 am-11:00 am**

**For Ages 10 and up, Library Meeting Room**

Minnesota author Cary J. Griffith will be visiting area libraries for presentations focusing on his latest book, *Gunflint Falling: Blowdown in the Boundary Waters*. *Gunflint Falling* tells the story of this devastating storm from the perspectives of those who were on the ground before, during, and after the catastrophic event—from first-time visitors to the north woods to returning paddlers to Forest Service Rangers. *This program, sponsored by Arrowhead Library System, was funded in part or in whole with money from Minnesota's Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund (ACFH).*

# December 9-13

## **Morning Book Circle**

**Monday, December 9, 11:00 am-12:00 pm**

**For Adults, Library Meeting Room**

Discussing: *On Writing* by Stephen King

Join us the second Monday of each month. Limited copies are available at the front desk.

## **Digitize Family Memories with Scan for Keeps**

**Tuesday, December 10, 12:00-4:00pm**

**For Adults, Library Meeting Room**

Do you have a favorite recipe in your grandma's handwriting, or a picture you want to share with future generations? Professional scanning equipment will be available to scan in your personal documents and store securely and electronically. The first 25 participants will receive a free journal and flash drive to record and store family memories. This program is a part of the Lake County Big Read and funded through the Victory Fund.

## **ATLAS (At The Library After School)**

**Thursday, December 12, 3:45-4:30 pm**

**For Middle-Schoolers, Two Harbors High School Library**

Join us to chill and hang out! We'll have free snacks, a homework focus area, and a themed day which changes every week. We'll rotate STEAM, art, games, and comic activities. This week's theme is art.

## **December 9-13**

### **Draw a Neighbor: Community Portraits**

**Friday, December 13, 12:00-1:30 pm**

**For All Ages, Library Meeting Room**

Learn more about the art of portraits, a fellow community member, and yourself at this laid back portrait drawing event. Completed portraits are invited to be displayed at the library for January 2025. Limited spots available and all supplies provided. Sign up at the library's front desk. *This program, presented in collaboration with Community Partners, is a part of the Lake County Big Read and funded through the Victory Fund.*

## **December 16-20**

### **Books and Brews**

**Tuesday, December 17, 6:00-8:00 pm**

**For Adults, Castle Danger Brewery Taproom**

Book lovers will gather the third Tuesday of the month in the taproom and discuss what we're reading. Castle Danger will give you \$1 off your first drink if you show them your book on Books and Brews night.

### **ATLAS (At The Library After School)**

**Thursday, December 19, 3:45-4:30 pm**

**For Middle-Schoolers, Two Harbors High School Library**

Join us to chill and hang out! We'll have free snacks, a homework focus area, and a themed day which changes every week. We'll rotate STEAM, art, games, and comic activities. This week's theme is games.

## **December 16-20**

### **Community Creations - Wreath Making**

**Thursday, December 19, 4:30-6:00 pm**

**For All Ages, Library Meeting Room**

Please join Naturalist Mic in the library meeting room for some winter wreath making! All supplies are provided, but feel free to bring additional materials. One wreath per youth/adult pair. Materials available for 10 wreaths.

### **Short and Sweet Book Club**

**Thursday, December 19, 6:00-6:45 pm**

**For Adults, Library Meeting Room**

*I Know What You Think of Me*, by Tim Kreider

Join us every third Thursday of the month. We'll have copies at the front desk of a new and free-to-take reading.

### **Minnesota's Unusual Critters Trivia Show**

**Friday, December 20, 1:30-2:30 pm**

**For Ages 2-13, Library Meeting Room**

Ever wanted to know what it was like to be a guest on a game show? Join the host, State Park Naturalist Mic, on the trivia show, Minnesota's Unusual Critters. You will have fun answering seemingly simple questions like, "which of these animals has a pink tail" for small prizes. The answers may surprise you! Bring a friend, and all youth must be accompanied by an adult.

## **December 23-27**

The library will be closed December 24 and December 25 for Christmas Eve and Christmas Day.

# Winter Reading Program

It's time for the 2025 Winter Reading Program!

Sign up on Beanstack or grab a paper log from the front desk. This year we are doing Bingo and you keep track of minutes and activities. Anything you read from January 1 to February 28 counts. You can earn a prize when you get your first Bingo and a blackout Bingo. And if you get a blackout you are also entered into a prize drawing for a special Two Harbors Public Library hat!



## December 30-January 3

The library will be close early at 4:00 pm December 31 New Year's Eve and will be closed January 1 for New Year's Day.

**ATLAS (At The Library After School)**

**Thursday, January 2, 3:45-4:30 pm**

**For Middle-Schoolers, Two Harbors High School Library**

Join us to chill and hang out! We'll have free snacks, a homework focus area, and a themed day which changes every week. We'll rotate STEAM, art, games, and comic activities.

This week's theme is STEAM.

## **December 30-January 3**

### **Dennis Warner in Concert**

**Friday, January 3, 2:00-3:00 pm**

**For All Ages, Library Meeting Room**

Singer-Songwriter Dennis Warner draws on his wealth of stage experience in creating a warm, welcoming and intimate concert. Accompanying his vocals on six or twelve-string guitar, Dennis' concert is a blend of serious, thought-provoking songs with lighter, up-tempo material. *This program, sponsored by Arrowhead Library System, was funded in part or in whole with money from Minnesota's Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund (ACFH).*

## **January 6-10**

### **Create Your Dream 2025: Vision Board Crafting**

**Tuesday, January 7, 5:00-6:30pm**

**For Teens and Adults, Library Meeting Room**

A vision board is a collage of images, quotes, and more to visually affirm your goals and help you focus on a positive year ahead. All supplies (and snacks!) provided for this drop-in craft program. Stay as long or as little as you like. *This program is generously sponsored by the Friends of the Two Harbors Public Library.*

### **ATLAS (At The Library After School)**

**Thursday, January 9, 3:45-4:30 pm**

**For Middle-Schoolers, Two Harbors High School Library**

Join us to chill and hang out! We'll have free snacks, a homework focus area, and a themed day which changes every week. We'll rotate STEAM, art, games, and comic activities. This week's theme is art.



# January 6-10

## **Haiku Workshop with Sandra Hisakuni**

**Friday, January 10, 1:00-2:30 pm**

**For All Ages, Library Meeting Room**

Join us for a poetry reading, Q & A, and Haiku workshop with 2024 Moonbeam Award Silver Medalist Sandra Hisakuni. Recommended for ages 8 and up. Event attendees can expect to learn the basics of Haiku and get a free journal to encourage their writing! *This program is sponsored by the Friends of the Two Harbors Public Library.*

# January 13-17

## **Morning Book Circle**

**Monday, January 13, 11:00 am-12:00 pm**

**For Adults, Library Meeting Room**

Discussing: *Swift River* by Essie Chambers

Join us the second Monday of each month. Limited copies are available at the front desk.

## **ATLAS (At The Library After School)**

**Thursday, January 16, 3:45-4:30 pm**

**For Middle-Schoolers, Two Harbors High School Library**

Join us to chill and hang out! We'll have free snacks, a homework focus area, and a themed day which changes every week. We'll rotate STEAM, art, games, and comic activities. This week's theme is games.

# January 13-17

## **Short and Sweet Book Club**

**Thursday, January 16, 6:00-6:45 pm**

**For Adults, Library Meeting Room**

*The Fourth State of Matter*, by Jo Ann Beard

Join us every third Thursday of the month. We'll have copies at the front desk of a new and free-to-take reading.

## **Lake Superior and the Fishes of the Big Water**

**Friday, January 17, 1:30-2:30 pm**

**For Ages 2-13, Library Meeting Room**

Join us as we learn about Lake Superior and the fishes of Big Water with State Park Naturalist, Mic. Children under the age of 8 must be accompanied by an adult.

# January 20-24

The library will be closed Monday, January 20 for Martin Luther King Jr. Day.

## **Books and Brews**

**Tuesday, January 21, 6:00-8:00 pm**

**For Adults, Castle Danger Brewery Taproom**

Book lovers will gather the third Tuesday of the month in the taproom and discuss what we're reading. Castle Danger will give you \$1 off your first drink if you show them your book on Books and Brews night.

# January 20-24

**ATLAS (At The Library After School)**

**Thursday, January 23, 3:45-4:30 pm**

**For Middle-Schoolers, Two Harbors High School Library**

Join us to chill and hang out! We'll have free snacks, a homework focus area, and a themed day which changes every week. We'll rotate STEAM, art, games, and comic activities. This week's theme is comics.

**Friends of the Library Quarterly Meeting**

**Thursday, January 23, 5:30-7:00 pm**

**For Adults, Library Meeting Room**

Learn more about the Friends of the Two Harbors Public Library at the quarterly meeting.

**Teen Advisory Group**

**Friday, January 24, 2:00-2:30 pm**

**For Teens ages 12-18, Library Meeting Room**

Calling all teens! Help design library programs, earn volunteer hours, and make your voice heard.

# January 28-31

**Dogman Party**

**Tuesday, January 28, 4:00-5:00 pm**

**For Youth, Library Meeting Room**

Join us to celebrate the comic *Dogman*. We will have activities and snacks. *This program is sponsored by the Friends of the Two Harbors Public Library.*

# January 28-31

## **Superior National Forest 101 with Northwoods Volunteer Connection**

**Tuesday, January 28, 5:30-6:30 pm**

**For All Ages, Library Meeting Room**

Learn fun facts and ways to engage with the Superior National Forest. The majority of the 3+ million acre forest is multiple-use, including both logging and recreational activities such as camping, boating, and fishing. This program is presented by Jo Swanson, Executive Director of the Northwoods Volunteer Connection.

## **ATLAS (At The Library After School)**

**Thursday, January 30, 3:45-4:30 pm**

**For Middle-Schoolers, Two Harbors High School Library**

Join us to chill and hang out! We'll have free snacks, a homework focus area, and a themed day which changes every week. We'll rotate STEAM, art, games, and comic activities. This week's theme is a special activity.

## **Community Creations**

**Thursday, January 30, 4:00-6:00 pm**

**For Adults, Library Meeting Room**

Join Naturalist Mic to unwind and create art using ethically harvested natural items such as pinecones, feathers, and more! Materials provided.