Roseburg Public Library's Winter Reading Program Kris Wiley for The News-Review

Roseburg Public Library's Winter Reading Program is a great time to read for joy.

The program begins December 1, continues through December 31 and is open to all ages. A Roseburg Public Library card is not required to participate. Instructions and forms are located on the library's website at www.roseburgpubliclibrary.org. They also are available at the library.

The youth program consists of a bingo card that encourages children and teens to explore various sections of the library's collection. Participants will receive one new, free book when they return their bingo card between Thursday, Dec. 26 and Saturday, Jan. 11.

Grab-and-go craft kits will be available every Tuesday in December (with the exception of Dec. 24) beginning at 10 a.m. Kits are seasonally themed and vary in difficulty but generally are aimed toward ages 5 to 12.

In-person storytimes and special events for youth are scheduled throughout the month. Visit the library website's Events Calendar or the library's Facebook page at www.facebook.com/roseburglibrary for details.

Adults also are invited to work on a bingo card. Each square includes a prompt for various types of books. The goal is to encourage readers to discover new genres and authors.

Participants who log at least one book on their bingo card will be eligible to choose a free book to keep. Cards must be returned between Thursday, Dec. 26 and Saturday, Jan. 11.

New for adults this year: A grab-and-go holiday craft kit will be available on Tuesday, Dec. 10 at 10 a.m. while supplies last. The kit will include two blank gift tags that can be decorated with buttons and stickers, which will be provided along with ideas for inspiration. Thanks to Library Commission member Shirley Lindell for suggesting this project.

Happy winter reading!

Friends of the Library Book Sale

The Friends of the Roseburg Public Library book sale is Thursday, Dec. 5 through Saturday, Dec. 7.

The sale will feature better books with most items priced at \$1; payment is by cash or check only. The inventory includes items in great condition with no library withdrawals.

New books published in the past three years and special art books with be sold for \$5. Colorful, handcrafted book bags are available for \$5. More than 2,000 DVDs will be available for 50 cents each. Music CDs and books on CD will be 50 cents, and mass market paperbacks will be 25 cents. Saturday is half-price day.

During the sale, the free clearance event will continue inside the library at the Friends Book Store.

Sale hours are 9 a.m.-8 p.m. Thursday, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Friday and 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Saturday.

Anyone interested in helping with the sale should contact the library at library@roseburgor.gov or 541-492-7050.

Donations of gently used books always are welcome and may be dropped off during library hours.

Next week's library events

Tuesday, December 3, 10 a.m. – Kids grab-and-go craft kits while supplies last

Wednesday, December 4, 10:15 a.m. – Storytime with Aurora

Wednesday, December 4, 3-4:30 p.m. – Teen program

Thursday, December 5, 9 a.m.-8 p.m. – Friends book sale

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Thursday, December 5, 4-5 p.m. – Artist exploration for K-5th graders

Thursday, December 5, 6:30 p.m. – Letters from Dachau: A Father's Witness of War, a Daughter's Dream of Peace presented by Clarice Wilsey

Friday, December 6, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. – Friends book sale

Saturday, December 7, 9 a.m.-2 p.m. – Friends book sale