

## **Buncombe County Public Libraries**

### **PROGRAMS – December 2019**

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#### **Pet Food Drive for Meals on Wheels**

*December through February*

*Swannanoa Library - 101 W. Charleston Ave. - Swannanoa*

*(828) 250-6486*

Did you know that there are over 120 seniors with Meals on Wheels whose pets need food too? We take the months from November through February to give thanks and love for those pets who give home-bound seniors and others the love and attention they need.

Please consider giving--cat food and food for smaller dogs is especially needed, although anything from toys to litter and blankets are always appreciated too!

#### **Itch to Stitch**

*Monday, December 2 at 10:00 AM*

*Monday, December 16 at 10:00 AM*

*Monday, December 30 at 10:00 AM*

*Weaverville Library - 41 N. Main St. - Weaverville*

*(828) 250-6482*

Bring your current needle project and work while socializing with other like-minded crafters

#### **Fiber Arts Exhibit at the Fairview Library**

*Begins December 1*

*Fairview Library - 1 Taylor Rd. - Fairview*

*(828) 250-6484*

Beginning Saturday, November 2nd, Fairview Fiber Artists Julie Bagamary, Paula Entin, and Laura Gaskin will have their work on display at the library through the end of December. The exhibit is free and open to the public anytime the Library is open.

#### **Free Tai Chi Class at Pack Library**

*Monday, December 2 at 1:30 PM*

*Pack Memorial Library - 67 Haywood St. - Asheville*

*978-798-0048*

Join us for a free Tai Chi class at Pack Library on Mondays and Thursdays in December. This class is tailored to veterans, but open to anyone who is interested in learning this ancient exercise. Tai Chi will help you:

- Build strength, balance, and coordination to prevent falls
- Relieve stress, anxiety, and depression for well being
- Connect with other veterans

Tai Chi is taught by Dr. Adam Potts, PT. Adam is a former US Marine who served 2 tours in Iraq. He is now a Doctor of Physical Therapy and Tai Chi Instructor. This event is free, but you do need to register. Please visit the library web page and use the link on the calendar for this program to sign up.

#### **Book Club: *The Stolen Marriage* by Diane Chamberlain**

*Tuesday, December 3 at 7:00 PM*

*Enka-Candler Library - 1404 Sandhill Rd. - Candler*

*(828) 250-4758*

We will be discussing "The Stolen Marriage" by Diane Chamberlain

### **Book Club: Short Stories**

*Tuesday, December 3 at 7:00 PM*

*Weaverville Library - 41 N. Main St. - Weaverville*

*(828) 250-6482*

In December we will read an assortment of short stories handpicked by the attendees. Packets will be available at the Weaverville Library beginning Nov. 6th.

### **Rafael Guastavino Exhibit & Docent Tour of Basilica**

*December 3, 5, 10, 11, 12 & 17 at 1:15 PM*

*Pack Memorial Library - 67 Haywood St. - Asheville*

*(828) 250-4718*

In partnership with Pack Memorial Library, the NC Room, the Guastavino Alliance, and the Basilica of St. Lawrence, we're hosting a Guastavino architectural exhibit (artifact and photos courtesy of Christmount Assembly in Black Mountain) and offering 6 free docent tour of the Basilica.

Tours are free and will last approximately 45 minutes. Meet in the NC Room at Pack Memorial at 1:15 and a volunteer will walk group over to the Basilica at 1:30.

This event is free, but you do need to register. Please visit the library web page and use the link on the calendar for this program to sign up.

### **Baby Gym**

*Tuesdays in December at 11:30 AM*

*Fairview Library - 1 Taylor Rd. - Fairview*

*(828) 250-6484*

Join us for Baby Gym just after Baby Storytime at 11. This is a free play time for little ones ages 0-18 months. We will have baby & toddler sized toys, climbing structures, tunnels, and more!

### **Winter Baby Gym**

*Tuesdays in December at 11:00 AM*

*Pack Memorial Library - 67 Haywood St. - Asheville*

*(828) 250-4700*

Join us for this free play time at Pack Library right after Baby Story time on Tuesdays.

### **EcoEXPLORE - Ornithology**

*Tuesday, December 3 at 4:00 PM*

*North Asheville Library - 1030 Merrimon Ave. - Asheville*

*(828) 250-4752*

Scientists need YOUR help in studying animals everywhere, including your own backyard!

Join us for an introduction to ornithology, the study of birds. You'll learn all about our feathery friends and go on a short birding walk! You can also join our crew of ecoEXPLORERS — kids who submit observations of plants and animals for scientists to study and earn prizes while they do it.

Find out how you can earn your Ornithology Field Badge and a free pass to The Great Backyard Bird Count Day on February 16th. For ages 5 to 13 but all ages are welcome to attend.

### **Voter ID Presentation**

*Tuesday, December 3 at 6:00 PM*

*Skyland/South Buncombe Library - 260 Overlook Rd. - Asheville*

*(828) 250-6488*

Election Services will hold an educational seminar about voter photo identification requirements. Beginning in 2020, voters will be required to provide photo identification before they vote. This includes both in-person and by-mail voting, with some exceptions. The seminar is free and open to the public. We will also be providing free voter IDs as requested.

### **LEGO Builders**

*Wednesday, December 4 at 4:00 PM*

*Pack Memorial Library - 67 Haywood St. - Asheville*

*(828) 250-4700*

Join us for LEGO building fun! Ages 5 & up.

### **Afternoon Book Club: *A Gentleman in Moscow* by Amor Towles**

*Wednesday, December 4 at 3:00 PM*

*Weaverville Library - 41 N. Main St. - Weaverville*

*(828) 250-6482*

### **BINGO**

*Wednesday, December 4 at 11:00 AM*

*Pack Memorial Library - 67 Haywood St. - Asheville*

*(828) 250-4700*

Come meet new people and participate in our BINGO game for all ages! Prizes are donated from the Friends of the Library. Coffee and morning snacks are provided. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Free to play!

### **Fairview Library Dungeons & Dragons Club**

*Wednesday, December 4 at 4:00 PM*

*Fairview Library - 1 Taylor Rd. - Fairview*

*(828) 250-6484*

Epic adventure awaits with the Fairview Library Dungeons & Dragons Club! Join us the first Wednesday of every month from 4pm to 5:30. Supplies and snacks provided. Open to players grades 6 - 12.

SPACE IS LIMITED! Only the first 6 players to register will have a seat at the table. This event is free, but you do need to register. Please visit the library web page and use the link on the calendar for this program to sign up.

### **Community Garden Meeting**

*Wednesday, December 4 at 6:00 PM*

*Leicester Library - 1561 Alexander Rd. - Leicester*

*(828) 250-6480*

We are starting a community garden at the library and we need your help! Come learn more about the

garden's design and find out how to get involved. Membership to the Leicester Library Community Garden Committee is free.

### **Whence These Special Places?**

*Thursday, December 5 at 6:00 PM*

*North Asheville Library - 1030 Merrimon Ave. - Asheville*

*(828) 250-4752*

Join local author Bill Jacobs for a discussion of his new book, "Whence These Special Places?," a look at the geologic origins of Western North Carolina's unique landscape, as well as of individual mountains and waterfalls.

Inspired by the areas around Cashiers, Highlands, and Panthertown Valley, Jacobs will explore the geologic processes that have produced many of the mountains and waterfalls we recognize today! Just as in his book, Jacobs will present his findings using language and concepts easily understood by non-scientists with numerous photographs and illustrations.

In addition to an overview of regional geology, he will provide insights into the process of writing, designing and publishing "Whence These Special Places?" (A discussion he jokingly subtitled, "Things I Didn't Think of When I Decided to Write a Book!"). For more information about the book and its author, check out [www.greatrockpress.com](http://www.greatrockpress.com)

### **Book Club - *Where the Crawdads Sing* by Delia Owens**

*Thursday, December 5 at 6:30 PM*

*East Asheville Library - 902 Tunnel Road, Asheville 28805*

*(828) 250-4738*

Discuss this month's book club pick, *Where the Crawdads Sing*, by Delia Owens, with other book lovers.

### **Creative Writing Group for Children's Books**

*Thursday, December 5 at 1:00 PM*

*Leicester Library - 1561 Alexander Rd. - Leicester*

*(828) 250-6480*

The Leicester Library Creative Writing Group is open to adults who want to write children's books. Meetings will include writing exercises and group discussions. We'll focus on writing picture, early-reader, and chapter books for kids. Participants are welcome but not required to bring up to 500 words of original writing to share.

### **Pajama Story Time**

*Thursdays in December at 6:00 PM*

*Pack Memorial Library - 67 Haywood St. - Asheville*

*(828) 250-4720*

A cozy evening story time designed for children ages 3-6, but all ages are welcome. Come in your pajamas if you wanna!

### **LEGO Builders' Club**

*Friday, December 6 at 4:00 PM*

*Enka-Candler Library - 1404 Sandhill Rd. - Candler*

*(828) 250-4758*

LEGO fun for kids age 5 and up.

## **LEGO Builders**

*Friday, December 6 at 3:30 PM*

*Fairview Library - 1 Taylor Rd. - Fairview*

*(828) 250-6484*

LEGO fun for kids age 5-12.

## **Read with J.R. the Therapy Dog!**

*Friday, December 6 at 2:30 PM*

*Skyland/South Buncombe Library - 260 Overlook Rd. - Asheville*

*(828) 250-6488*

The Skyland Library will host J.R. the Therapy Dog on the 1st Friday of each month. Kids are invited to stop by between 2:30-3:30 pm to practice their reading skills with a gentle, patient and adorable canine friend. J.R. is a certified therapy dog and he can't wait to meet you!

## **LEGO Builders**

*Saturday, December 7 at 10:00 AM*

*Oakley/South Asheville Library - 749 Fairview Rd. - Asheville*

*(828) 250-4754*

LEGO fun for kids age 5 and up.

## **Fill a Box for Five Bucks Book Sale**

*Saturday, December 7 at 10:00 AM*

*Weaverville Library - 41 N. Main St. - Weaverville*

*(828) 250-6482*

The Friends of the Weaverville Library want to move out all the 2019 book donations to make room for the 2020 donations. So fill up a box and pay only \$5.00. How many books can you fit in a box?

## **Mixed Level Pilates Mat Class with Cisco Pilates**

*Saturday, December 7 at 11:00 AM*

*Pack Memorial Library - 67 Haywood St. - Asheville*

*(828) 250-4718*

Learn the fundamentals of Pilates, or for those who are already experienced, deepen your practice in this mixed level class. Pilates is a whole body workout where we find strength, stretch, and control. Alexis will target the level of class to who is there, so everyone is equally challenged. Pilates is for every BODY...no matter your age, gender, or physical ability.

Bring your own mat (a thick mat is better if you have one), a small towel, and a water bottle. The library has a few mats available to borrow. This event is free, but you do need to register. Please visit the library web page and use the link on the calendar for this program to sign up.

## **Cookie Exchange**

*Saturday, December 7 at 11:00 AM*

*Leicester Library - 1561 Alexander Rd. - Leicester*

*(828) 250-6480*

The library just got a whole lot sweeter! Join us for a Cookie Exchange, sponsored by the Friends of Leicester Library. We'll have a festive morning with a really delicious outcome: a variety of cookies for you to take back home!

Participants are required to disclose their cookie recipe before the exchange and registration is limited. Register with your recipe by Tuesday December 3 at noon.

### **NaNoWriMo Closing Party**

*Saturday, December 7 at 2:00 AM*

*Pack Memorial Library - 67 Haywood St. - Asheville*

*(828) 250-4700*

You wrote for NaNoWriMo, now you ain't gotta write No Mo! The Buncombe County Public Library system is celebrating the end of National Novel Writing Month with a party for any writer in Asheville who participated in the month long writing challenge.

NaNoWriMo NoMo will be held at Pack Library on Saturday December 7 at 2 pm in Lord Auditorium. Anyone who attempted the National Novel Writing Month challenge during the month, whether they completed 50,000 words or not, is welcome to attend. Writers did not have to attend any of the Buncombe County Public Libraries "Come Write In" events to attend the party.

The party will have food, literary themed games and opportunities to meet other writers, as well as a "micro mic" that will give each writer a chance to read one paragraph from their novel to the group. Attendees will have a chance to mingle and enter to win raffle baskets with prizes from local companies like Dynamite Coffee, Malaprops, and more, as well as some official NaNoWriMo swag. For more information, contact Anna Booraem [anna.booraem@buncombecounty.org](mailto:anna.booraem@buncombecounty.org). For more information on National Novel Writing Month visit [www.nanowrimo.org](http://www.nanowrimo.org).

### **The Rhythmic Arts Project of AVL at Pack**

*Monday, December 9 at 3:00 PM*

*Wednesday, December 11 at 6:00 PM*

*Pack Memorial Library - 67 Haywood St. - Asheville*

*(828) 250-4718*

We're very excited to have the The Rhythmic Arts Project of Asheville to collaborate with in efforts to make the library an all-inclusive and fun learning environment! TRAP of Asheville is an educational curriculum that utilizes drums and percussion to educate and empower people with developmental disabilities.

TRAP is here for two free sessions in December! The program is open to adults and teens, as well as their parent or caretaker. This event is free, but you do need to register. Please visit the library web page and use the link on the calendar for this program to sign up. If you are interested in attending both classes, please sign up for each one separately so we know how many drums to provide. We'll see you there!

### **Lego Club**

*Monday, December 9 at 4:00 PM*

*Monday, December 23 at 4:00 PM*

*Weaverville Library - 41 N. Main St. - Weaverville*

*(828) 250-6482*

Come and build with us! For age 5 and up.

### **Storyteller Andy Offutt Irwin Sins Holiday Stories**

*Monday, December 9 at 7:00 PM*

*Weaverville Library - 41 N. Main St. - Weaverville*

*(828) 250-6482*

Storyteller and musician Andy Offutt Irwin will perform a holiday concert at the Weaverville Library on Monday, December 9th at 7pm. A featured performer for several years at the National Storytelling Festival, Andy will bring funny and sweet stories to celebrate the season. FREE tickets are available beginning Tuesday, November 19th. Sponsored by the Friends of the Weaverville Library. For more information call the Library at 250-6482.

### **Spinning Yarns Knitting and Crochet Group**

*Tuesday, December 10 at 6:00 PM*

*Skyland/South Buncombe Library - 260 Overlook Rd. - Asheville*

*(828) 250-6488*

Beginners can learn a basic pattern. Those with experience are welcome to work on a project and share your knowledge. Supplies will be available for beginners. Come "spin some yarn" at the library!

### **Librarian Led Book Club: *Less* by Andrew Sean**

*Tuesday, December 10 at 7:00 PM*

*Pack Memorial Library - 67 Haywood St. - Asheville*

*(828) 250-4700*

In the month of December our book club will be discussing Pulitzer Prize winning "*Less*" by Andrew Sean Greer. Books are available for pick up at the front desk of Pack Memorial Library. You can also get it digitally through our Linda app or through [ncdigital.overdrive.com](http://ncdigital.overdrive.com). New members are always welcome!

### **Book Club: *The Island of the Sea Women* by Lisa See**

*Tuesday, December 10 at 1:00 PM*

*Leicester Library - 1561 Alexander Rd. - Leicester*

*(828) 250-6480*

This month we're reading *The Island of Sea Women* by Lisa See. The Leicester Library Book Discussion Group meets the second Tuesday of each month at 1 pm.

### **Read to Olivia the Therapy Dog**

*Tuesday, December 10 at 4:00 PM*

*Tuesday, December 17 at 4:00 PM*

*Weaverville Library - 41 N. Main St. - Weaverville*

*(828) 250-6482*

Sign up for your 15 minutes!

### **3 Films from 1999: *Pleasantville***

*Tuesday, December 10 at 6:00 PM*

*Fairview Library - 1 Taylor Rd. - Fairview*

*(828) 250-6484*

Help us celebrate the Fairview Public Library's 20th anniversary with three films from 1999.

Our final film of the year finds two troubled teens (Tobey Maguire and Reese Witherspoon) mysteriously trapped in the idyllic setting of a 1950s television sitcom. We follow as the people of Pleasantville - the seemingly perfect town the TV show is set in - are changed in unexpected ways. Personal freedoms and cultural repressions are explored and cast off as the citizens of the once predictable hamlet begin to experience life with a bit more color.

All screenings are free and will be hosted by North Carolina Film Critics Association member James Rosario (THEDAILYORCA.COM), who will introduce each film and lead a discussion after. Free popcorn provided by Grail Moviehouse. Rated PG-13. 124 minutes

EVENT REGISTRATION IS NOT REQUIRED, however, registration helps us collect important data about our programming and attendance numbers. Registered attendees will also get email updates and reminders about the films we'll be watching. Please visit the library web page and use the link on the calendar for this program to sign up.

### **Intro to Ornithology (that means BIRDS)**

*Tuesday, December 10 at 4:00 PM*

*Swannanoa Library - 101 W. Charleston Ave. - Swannanoa*

*(828) 250-6486*

Scientists need YOUR help studying animals...even in your own back yard! Join us as the WNC Arboretum teaches the study of ornithology (birds) and shows you how you can be a citizen scientist with EcoExplore.net.

### **Creative Writing Group**

*Wednesday, December 22 at 4:00 PM*

*Skyland/South Buncombe Library - 260 Overlook Rd. - Asheville*

*(828) 250-6488*

Our focus is creating a supportive and fun environment for writers through writing exercises and discussions. You are welcome but not required to bring a 300-500 word piece of original writing to share. Open to adults and teens 15 and older.

### **Read With Hunter the Therapy Dog**

*Wednesday, December 11 at 4:00 PM*

*Black Mountain Library - 105 N. Dougherty St. - Black Mountain*

*828-250-4756*

Is your child a shy reader? Drop in between 4:00-5:00 for a session to read with Hunter the Therapy Dog. He's the best listener in town!

### **Giving Tree Book Wrapping Volunteer Event**

*Wednesday, December 11 at 2:00 PM*

*Fairview Library - 1 Taylor Rd. - Fairview*

*(828) 250-6484*

If you are interested in volunteering with the Friends of the Library to gift wrap the books from our Holiday Giving Tree, join us on Wednesday, December 11th at 2pm. Hot cocoa and holiday cheer provided. Contact Jaime McDowell at the Library for more information.

### **Memoir Program: Author Jennifer McGaha and *Flat Broke With Two Goats***

*Thursday, December 12 at 7:00 PM*

*West Asheville Library - 942 Haywood Rd. - Asheville*

*(828) 250-4750*

Our "My Story: Memoir Program" continues at the West Asheville Library with a talk by local author Jennifer McGaha, featuring her memoir *Flat Broke With Two Goats*. This program is free and everyone is invited.

### **Mixed Level Pilates Class**

*Friday, December 13 at 12:30 PM*



*Fairview Library - 1 Taylor Rd. - Fairview*

*(828) 250-6484*

Learn the fundamentals of Pilates, or for those who are already experienced, deepen your practice in this mixed level class. This free class will target the level of class to who is there, so everyone is equally challenged. Pilates is a whole body workout where you find strength, stretch, and control. Expect to do a lot of abdominal strengthening, as well as hips, upper back, arms, and legs. Pilates is for every BODY...no matter your age, gender, or physical ability. We will make it work for you! Bring your own mat (a thick mat is better if you have one), and a small towel.

Alexis Miller is a certified Classical Pilates instructor and owner of Cisco Pilates. Alexis began studying Pilates in 2002 at Connecticut College, and continued her practice at the Pilates Center of San Francisco, and Metropolitan Pilates in Seattle before moving to Asheville. More information can be found at [www.ciscopilates.com](http://www.ciscopilates.com). This class is offered free of charge thanks to the Friends of Fairview Library.

### **Swannanoa Winterfest**

*Saturday, December 14 at 4:00 PM*

*Swannanoa Library - 101 W. Charleston Ave. - Swannanoa*

*(828) 250-6486*

Join us for the 1st annual Swannanoa Winterfest at Grovemont Park by the library. Celebrate the holiday season with friends. Caroling, hot drinks, tasty foods, unique gifts, crafts, fire and light all combining in a warm, fun afternoon and evening. We'll even see Olaf the Snowman peeking in! Free admission: bring the whole family!

Charities benefited including Meals on Wheels Pet Food Drive (bring a can or bag of dog or cat food (small dog kibble please!)), Bounty and Soul, and the Black Mountain Home for Children. Plus our Friends book sale will be open and ready to for you to bring home some great reading for those relaxing winter days to come.

### **Nonfiction Book Club: *Just Mercy* by Bryan Stevenson**

*Saturday, December 14 at 11:00 AM*

*Skyland/South Buncombe Library - 260 Overlook Rd. - Asheville*

*(828) 250-6488*

Join us to discuss this month's selection *Just Mercy* by Bryan Stevenson. Come explore the world with us through nonfiction!

### **Book Club: *News of the World* by Paulette Jiles**

*Saturday, December 14 at 3:00 PM*

*West Asheville Library - 942 Haywood Rd. - Asheville*

*(828) 250-4750*

### **Family Movie Afternoon: *The Grinch***

*Saturday, December 14 at 2:00 PM*

*Fairview Library - 1 Taylor Rd. - Fairview*

*(828) 250-6484*

Benedict Cumberbatch as The Grinch? Yes, please! Your holiday season isn't complete unless you've spent time with this beloved curmudgeon.

Watch as the Grinch attempts to undermine the annual Christmas celebration at Whoville with the help of his loyal dog and reindeer. He disguises himself as Santa Claus and tries to steal all the presents, but his cover is threatened by an earnest young girl.

What will happen in this exciting, suspenseful, and, quite possibly, joyful holiday caper? Join us on Saturday, December 14th at 2pm to find out! This film is free and everyone is invited. Rated: PG Run Time: 90 minutes

### **Dungeons & Dragons for Teens**

*Saturday, December 14 at 1:00 PM*

*Pack Memorial Library - 67 Haywood St. - Asheville*

*(828) 250-4700*

Join us for Dungeons & Dragons on the second Saturday of the month from 1-4pm, and last Wednesday of the month from 4-6pm. For ages 12 and up. This event is free, but registration is required. Please call the library to register at 250-4720.

### **Jazz Hour at Pack**

*Monday, December 16 at 6:00 PM*

*Pack Memorial Library - 67 Haywood St. - Asheville*

*(828) 250-4718*

Our free Jazz Hour is back for the fall season! Please join us in our auditorium to listen to an hour of jazz from Steinway pianist and composer Michael Jefry Stevens and his musician friends. Each performance is different and will take place on the third Monday evenings of each month. This program is free and everyone is invited.

### **Evening Book Club: *The Bad-Ass Librarians of Timbuktu* by Joshua Hammer**

*Tuesday, December 17 at 7:00 PM*

*Fairview Library - 1 Taylor Rd. - Fairview*

*(828) 250-6484*

Fairview Evening Book Club will be reading 'The Bad-Ass Librarians of Timbuktu' by Joshua Hammer for the month of December and discussing it on Tuesday, December 17th at 7pm.

No sign up or registration is required to join book club, and new members are always welcome. Book Club meets the third Tuesday of the month at 7pm September-May.

### **Social Justice Book Club: *How to Be Less Stupid About Race* by Crystal Flemming**

*Tuesday, December 17 at 7:00 PM*

*Leicester Library - 1561 Alexander Rd. - Leicester*

*(828) 250-6480*

Build relationships and build your understanding of social justice in this new reading group sponsored by the Leicester Library! Monthly meetings will alternate between the Leicester Library and Firestorm. On December 17, we'll discuss *How To Be Less Stupid About Race* by Crystal Fleming at the Leicester Library.

You may check out the book from any BCPL branch, or purchase a copy at a discount from Firestorm. Meetings will alternate monthly between the Leicester Library and Firestorm. Future titles will be selected with guidance from the host librarian and book club participants.

### **Book Club: *News of the World* by Paulette Jiles**

*Tuesday, December 17 at 2:00 PM*

*West Asheville Library - 942 Haywood Rd. - Asheville*

(828) 250-4750

**History Book Club: *Mozart's Sister* by Rita Charbonnier**

Wednesday, December 18 at 3:00 PM

Enka-Candler Library - 1404 Sandhill Rd. - Candler

(828) 250-4758

Our History Book Club will be discussing *Mozart's Sister* by Rita Charbonnier

**Book Club: *Flat Broke With Two Goats* by Jennifer McGaha.**

Wednesday, December 18 at 7:00 PM

West Asheville Library - 942 Haywood Rd. - Asheville

(828) 250-4750

Book Discussion of *Flat Broke With Two Goats* by Jennifer McGaha. Part of the My Story memoir program.

**Uke Jam**

Wednesday, December 18 at 3:30 PM

Weaverville Library - 41 N. Main St. - Weaverville

(828) 250-6482

Groove to the smooth sounds of the ukulele. Come and play or just spectate. This event is free and all ukulele enthusiasts are invited.

**Reading with JR The Therapy Dog**

Friday, December 20 at 4:00 PM

North Asheville Library - 1030 Merrimon Ave. - Asheville

(828) 250-4752

Come practice your reading with J.R., certified therapy dog and amazing listener. Kid readers up to age 12 can sign up for 15 minute sessions. Stop by the library to register or call 828-250-4752.

**Book-to-Movie Program: *The Cider House Rules***

Friday, December 20 at 3:00 PM

West Asheville Library - 942 Haywood Rd. - Asheville

(828) 250-4750

The Friends of the West Asheville Library is proud to present *The Cider House Rules*.

A compassionate young man, raised in an orphanage and trained to be a doctor there, decides to leave to see the world. Starring Tobey Maguire, Michael Caine, Charlize Theron, Delroy Lindo, and Paul Rudd, this film is directed by Lasse Hallstrom and based on the novel by John Irving, who also wrote the screenplay.

This free movie is rated PG-13 and approximately 2 hours long.

***The Muppet Christmas Carol* Movie Screening**

Saturday, December 21 at 1:00 PM

Pack Memorial Library - 67 Haywood St. - Asheville

(828) 250-4700

It's that time of the year...for our annual screening of "The Muppet Christmas Carol" is held in our auditorium!

We'll have treats and beverages. Bring your sleeping bag, blanket, or pillow if you want to sit or lie down in the front to watch. Chairs will be out as well. Program is free, all ages are welcome.

## **Leicester LEGO Builders**

*Friday, December 27 at 4:00 PM*

*Leicester Library - 1561 Alexander Rd. - Leicester*

*(828) 250-6480*

Meet builders & exhibit your Lego skills. Drop in, or stay the whole time. Ages 5 & up.

## **Reading with JR The Therapy Dog**

*Friday, December 27 at 4:00 PM*

*Enka-Candler Library - 1404 Sandhill Rd. - Candler*

*(828) 250-4758*

Kids are invited to stop by between 4 & 5 pm on the 4th Friday of each month to practice their reading skills with a gentle, patient and adorable canine friend. J.R. is a certified therapy dog and he can't wait to meet the readers of the Enka-Candler community! No advance registration is required for the ENKA program.