

February 2026



February is Library Lovers Month, and we're feeling especially grateful for you—our library patrons! The Dalles Library has always been more than shelves and books; it's a place to connect, explore, and feel at home in your community. Whether you visit us every week or are just stopping by for the first time, we're so glad you're part of our library community.

This month, we invite you to come on over, slow down, and spend some time with us. Build new friendships and nurture old ones as you discover a great book, learn a craft, or try something completely new. Celebrate Valentine's Day with a Couples Swing Dance class, or dive inward with our Dream Study Group, Gifts from Our Subconscious, taught by Nancy Turner. If you're looking to spark your creativity, join a writing class, explore a hobby, or connect with others through one of our welcoming book clubs.

Families will find plenty to love this February as well. Bring the kids to meet the Portland Pilots Basketball team and get some fun pointers, or celebrate reading together at our Dr. Seuss Birthday Party. For our youngest readers, we offer storytimes for the littles every weekday morning at 10:30—a perfect way to start the day with stories, songs, and smiles.

Evenings and weekends are for family fun, too! Join us every Thursday at 6:00 for a rotating Family Activity Night, including Family Storytime Sweetshop and Coloring Cafe, Family STEAM Night, Family Craft Night and the beloved, Family Lego Pizza Night. You can also enjoy a live family performance the first Saturday of every month, making the library a place where all ages can learn, play, and grow together.

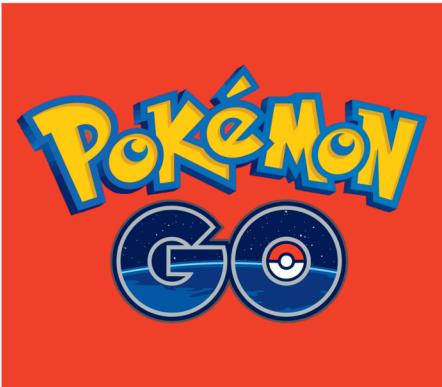
However you choose to spend your time here, know that the library is a place where everyone belongs. We can't wait to see you and share the love of libraries all month long.

Your friends at The Dalles Library



February is Library Lovers' Month

Fun For All Ages!



Pokémon GO! Club

● All Ages ● Kids ● Tweens ● Teens ● Adults

Tuesday, February 17th
4:00 - 5:30

Registration Required

Join other PokéMon enthusiasts on a walk through downtown The Dalles. We'll form a party and complete challenges, walk to hatch eggs, follow routes, and use our teamwork to take down 5-star raid bosses!

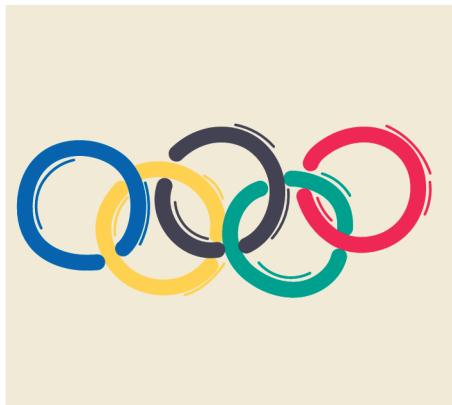


New Release Movie Matinee Join Us for a "Wicked Good" Time

● All Ages ● Kids ● Tweens ● Teens ● Adults

Wednesday, February 18th
4:00

Join us every month on the third Wednesday for a family-friendly movie matinee of a new release! Snacks are provided and everyone is welcome.



Winter 2026: Olympic Games

● All Ages

Fridays - February 6, 13, 20
5:00

Join us on Friday in the main part of the library for some quick games to honor the Winter Olympics. 30 min games that will test you- Get ready! "Faster, Higher, Stronger – Together"



Show & Share: Portland Pilots'

● All Ages

Saturday, February 14th 1:00

Come for a supersized version of the classic show-and-tell that kids love so much, and meet the Portland Pilots' Men's Basketball Team! They'll be teaching kids some cool basketball tricks, and showing off their skills! It's a great time to ask questions and get inspired!

Portland Pilots' Basketball Game

Ticket Required - Provided Free From the Library

Wednesday, February 18th 7:00

After an amazing visit with the Portland Pilots men's basketball team at the library's Show & Share event, pick up tickets to see a live game in Portland! Tickets reserved for children and their accompanying adult.

Thursday Night Family Fun!



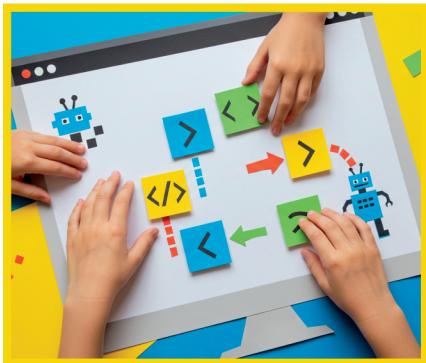
Family Storytime Sweet Shop and Coloring Cafe

● All Ages ● Kids ● Tweens ● Teens ● Adults

Every 1st Thursday
Thursday, February 5th
6:00



Step into our Sweet Shop for a candy coated family storytime! Listen to a fun story while coloring yummy-themed pages and nibbling on tasty desserts. Bring your imagination—and your sweet tooth for a treat-filled evening of stories, colors, and family fun!



Family STEAM Night

● All Ages ● Kids ● Tweens ● Teens ● Adults

Every 2nd Thursday
Thursday, February 12th
6:00

Our January activity will be constructing our own telescopes! Weather-permitting, we will all go outside and take a look at the moon and stars with our new tool.



Family Craft Night

● All Ages ● Kids ● Tweens ● Teens ● Adults

Every 3rd Thursday
Thursday, February 19th
6:00



Join us for some family fun in February as we make paper lanterns to celebrate the Lunar New Year!



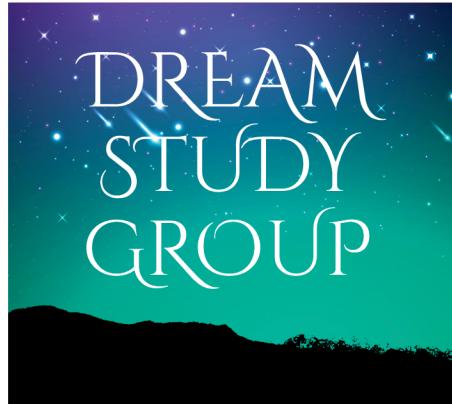
Family Lego Pizza Night

● All Ages ● Kids ● Tweens ● Teens ● Adults

Every Last Thursday
Thursday, February 26th
5:30

Join us for a fun-filled LEGO & Pizza Night. Enjoy delicious pizza while building, creating, and imagining together with LEGO bricks. This relaxed evening is perfect for all ages—bring your creativity and come ready for hands-on fun!

Adults



Dream Study Group **Gifts from Our Subconscious**

● Adults

**Mondays: February 2nd, 9th, 23rd and March 2nd
5:00-7:30**

Registration Required

Join Nancy Turner, M.Ed. for a thoughtful exploration of dreams as metaphorical messages from the subconscious offering insights and personal guidance to deepen self-awareness.



The Tea Nook

● Adults

Friday, February 27th
Last Friday of Every Month
5:00-5:45

Sip, savor, and socialize! Each month, we'll gather to explore new teas from around the world, learn fun tea facts, and enjoy tasty treats. Sometimes, we'll even get hands-on and learn how to make unique tea drinks—with recipe cards to take home! Whether you're a seasoned tea lover or just curious, come steep yourself in good company and great flavors.



Sound Meditation with Sam

● Adults

Friday, February 20th
4:30-5:30

Join us for a unique and peaceful experience as we celebrate the power of sound and stillness. In this serene library setting, you'll be gently led through a meditative journey designed to promote mental clarity, emotional healing, and deep relaxation. Whether you're new to sound baths or a seasoned meditator, this session offers a tranquil space to unwind, reflect, and rejuvenate.



Mah Jongg

● Teens ● Adults

Wednesday, February 25th
3:00 and 5:30

Registration Required

Celebrate the Chinese New Year with Mah Jongg! Join us for this fun, lively game as Corliss Marsh teaches the basics. No experience needed—just come ready to play and celebrate!



Shakespeare Class

Much Ado About...What, Exactly?

● Teens ● Adults

Every Friday in February

4:00 - 6:00

Registration Required

Over the course of six weeks, we'll start with a broad overview of Shakespearean English, iambic pentameter, and the many ways in which the bard's works can be performed, studied, and enjoyed before taking a deep dive on our focus play: Much Ado About Nothing.



Piece by Piece Puzzle Program

● Teens ● Adults

Every 2nd Monday of the Month

1:30 - 3:30

Piece by Piece is a relaxed, drop-in puzzle program where participants work together or individually to assemble jigsaw puzzles of all sizes. Whether you stay for a few minutes or the whole time, help build beautiful images piece by piece while enjoying a calm, social atmosphere at the library. All skill levels are welcome—just grab a piece and start puzzling! ☕ Coffee and light refreshments provided.



Couple's Swing Dance- Valentine's Day

● Adults

Saturday, February 14

3:30pm - 4:30

Registration Required

Calling all couples! Whether you're celebrating 50 years together or just starting out, join us for a fun, one-hour swing dance session with Don Slusher. Don will guide you through all the moves—no experience needed! Enjoy some light, tasty bites during the event - hors d'oeuvres provided.



Maker Monday-Open Makerspace

● Teens ● Adults

Monday, February 9th 5:30

Come explore what our space is all about, try out our supplies, and get hands-on with creative projects. Staff available to help you learn how to use the equipment in the room.

Maker Monday - DIY Book Light

● Teens ● Adults

Monday, February 23rd

Teens 3:30 - Adults 5:30



This magical DIY Book Lamp combines paper crafting and paper circuits using conductive tape to create a truly fascinating light.

KIDS



Wiggles & Giggles

Every Wednesday

10:30



Kids



SPECIAL VISIT with Bluey and Bingo!

Wednesday, February 25th

Bluey themed games, snacks and fun! Get your picture with Bluey and Bingo!

Little Learners Lab

STEAM for preschoolers
(Science Technology Engineering Art Math)

Little Learners Lab

Kids in STEAM

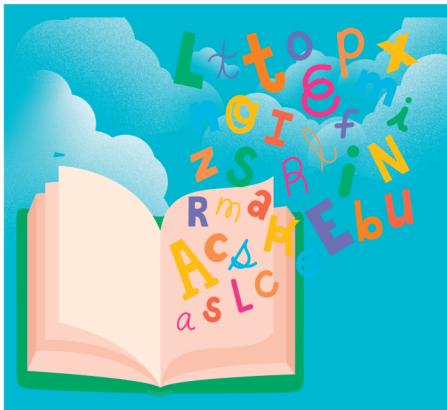


Kids

Every Tuesday

11:15

In this hands-on, play-based program, preschoolers are invited to build structures, make discoveries, ask big questions, and embrace the joy of a little mess. Together, through different STEAM activities, children will grow in curiosity, creativity, and confidence!



Literacy Launchpad

Helping young readers grow with confidence!



Kids

Every Tuesday

4:15

Literacy Launchpad is a literacy program designed for children who need a little extra help. Through playful movement exercises, lively songs, engaging games, and hands-on activities, kids will practice sight words, phonics, decoding skills, and reading aloud.



KidQuest

Adventure Awaits! (Ages 6 to 11)



Kids

Saturday, February 14th

3-4:30

In this program, we'll learn the rules of role-playing games, create our own characters, and dive into exciting adventures together. We'll use our creativity, and teamwork to keep the story going. Plus—there will be snacks!



Fun Fridays For Kids

Every Friday - 3:30

● Kids

Special Fun Friday - Sugar Rush
Friday, February 13th

Come craft your own wickedly sweet race car from candies, cookies, and other sweets. Put your delicious creation to the test, and let it race down the Sugar Rush Speedway ramp!



Snapdragon Yoga

Story-based yoga for preschoolers!

● Kids

2nd & 4th Saturdays
Saturday, February 14th & 28th
10:30 to 11:30

Embark on magical adventures through story-based yoga! Each session blends movement, imagination, and mindfulness as we explore enchanted lands and playful tales. We finish with a themed craft that brings the story to life.

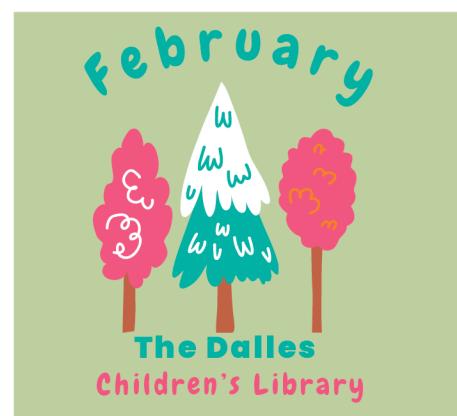


Wanted: Kid Librarian of the Month

● Kids

All day, February 1st through 7th

Be the next kid librarian of the month! Fill out a fancy application and join the magic of working at the library. This opportunity is open to children ages 7 to 11. Those chosen will have a special breakfast with their family and the children's librarian. Afterwards, they'll create their very own book display in the children's wing.



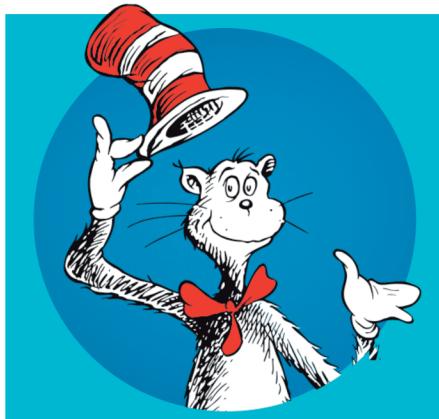
February in the Children's Library

Pint-Sized Play Dates: Beats 'n' Bites

● Kids

Families are invited to explore new self-guided activities inspired by the theme of "Bites 'n' Beats," where food and music come together. Activities change each week. Families can play at their own pace while discovering new, joyful experiences.

KIDS & TEENS

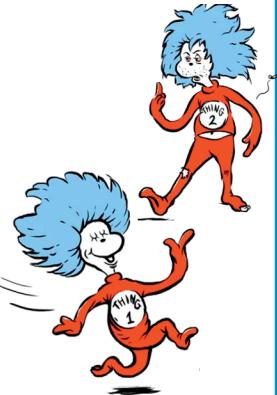


Dr. Seuss Birthday Party!

● All Ages ● Kids ● Tweens ● Teens ● Adults

**Saturday, February 28th
1:00-3:00**

Oh me, oh my, oh what a day—
A Seuss-tastic party is headed your way!
Join us for rhymes, for snacks, and for fun,
To celebrate a birthday packed with fun by the ton!
Come one, come all—both tall and small!
Put on your stripes or your favorite Seuss hue,
And share in the whimsy that's waiting for you!



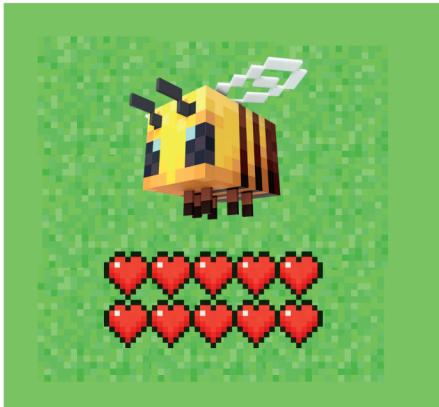
Mo Phillips First Saturday Performance Series

● All Ages

**Saturday, February 7th
11:00**

"A terribly unsophisticated way to have a great time."

When not teaching song writing in schools or shredding ukulele for the people, Mo is a dad. That's his favorite job, the rest is just gravy.



Minecraft Club

● Tweens ● Teens

**Wednesday, February 25th
3:00-5:00**

Registration Required

Come play Minecraft with other teens on the library's iPads and Minecraft server! Together, you'll complete fun challenges and show off your mining AND crafting expertise.



Open VR Gaming

● Teens

**Every First and Third Saturday
February 7 & 21
2:00-3:00**

Join us in the Teen Room for Open VR Gaming! We have 6 available headsets to spread out in the library and game on.



Wellness To-Go Kits for Teens

Last Tuesday Every Month

● Teens

Tuesday, February 24th
4:00

Pick up a kit packed with fun tools and tips to support your mental and physical health.



Obstacle Quest: Library Edition

● Teens

Tuesday, February 10th
3:30

Join us in the teen room to kick off an adventure around the library! Team up to complete various challenges around the entire library. Snacks provided and the winning team gets a prize.



Fun Fridays

● Teens

Every Friday
3:30

Every Friday we will be doing something fun! Ranging from crafting, to gaming, to trivia- we do it all. We may have prizes or cozy snacks to keep you happy all winter long. Just come and check it out!



Nerf War!!

● Teens

Saturday, February 21st
5:30
Registration Required- Ages 10 to 18

Run through the library, snipe friends (or foes!) from the balcony, or go stealth mode and hide among the stacks. Nerf guns at the ready—pizza is included!

Health & Wellness


**FACE &
CHAIR YOGA**
WITH SHANNON RED CLOUD
EVERY THURSDAY
10:15
THE DALLES LIBRARY


Yoga at The Library
Mondays at Noon
With Shannon Red Cloud


**TEA &
TRANQUILITY**
MEDITATION AND SELF-CARE CIRCLE
WITH EMILY MARTIN
EVERY SECOND AND FOURTH
TUESDAY AT 10:30

Arts & Crafts



Adult Art Club
Heart Picture Holder

● Adults

Wednesday, February 4th
1:00

Create a photo holder to showcase your love. All supplies provided. No sign up necessary.



DIY Book Window
Bookmark Holder

● Adults

Saturday, February 7th
& 21st, 2:30

Create your own interchangeable book nook bookmark holder for your shelves. You MUST attend the January 17th and February 7th sessions.



Coffee & Coloring

● Adults

Friday, February 6
12:00

Coffee, snacks and coloring books! Chat and create while sipping a delicious beverage.



Adult Art Club
Free Create

● Adults

Wednesday, February 11th, 18th and 25th, 1:00
Free Create using our supplies or bring your own project. Get feedback, share ideas or try something new. The first Wednesday of the month will be a guided program. The other Wednesdays you can bring your art or craft and get help, feed back from other crafters.



Embroidery with
Steph Evans
Steph's Choice

● Teens ● Adults

Saturday, February 21
10:00

Join us in person. The embroidery project will be Steph's Choice!



Acrylic Painting With
Yvonne Pepin-Wakefield

● Teens ● Adults

Thursday, February 15th
6:00

Registration Required

Learn new techniques or improve on your knowledge. Join us every third Thursday as Yvonne instructs us in acrylic painting.

January Take&Make Kits ● Teens ● Adults

All day - while supplies last

Rock Collection Addition

Saturday, February 28

Every 4th Saturday - Pick up a new rock to add to your collection!

Spice Club

Monday, February 2

Pick up a new spice and a featured recipe handpicked by our staff to inspire your next kitchen adventure!



Temporary Tattoo
Parlor

● Kids ● Tweens ● Teens

Monday, February 2nd
5:30 - 7:00

Stop by and pick out some fun temporary tattoos! You might leave with a dragon on your hand or a rainbow on your cheek—whatever you choose, it's sure to look awesome!

Book Clubs, Storytimes, Etc.

Book Clubs

Together Book Club

My Life as an Ice Cream Sandwich by Andrew Clements
Wednesday, February 11, 3:00

Sci-Fi Book Club

Recursion by Blake Crouch
Tuesday, February 24, 5:00

Rainbow Reads Book Club

Marsha by Tourmaline
Wednesday, February 4, 6:00

The Final Chapter Horror Book Club

Vampires of El Norte by Isabel Cañas
Wednesday, February 4, 6:00

Fantasy Book Club

Moon Called by Patricia Briggs
Wednesday, February 11, 6:00

Swoon Society

Choose Your Own Bodice Ripper
Wednesday, February 25, 6:00

Matter-of-Fact Book Club

Destiny of the Republic by Candice Millard
Tuesday, February 17, 6:00

Happiness Book Club

The Choice by Edith Eva Eger
Tuesday, February 3, 5:30

Third Thursday Book Club

A Girl of the Limberlost by Gene Stratton-Porter
Thursday, February 19, 4:00

Clean Reads Book Club

The Heart's Choice by Tracie Peterson
Tuesday, February 10, 6:00

Young Reader's Graphic Novel Club

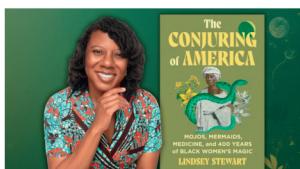
A Kids graphic book club
Saturday, February 21, 2:00

Virtual Author Talks

Adults



Swashbuckling Heroines and High Seas Adventures with Novelist Vanessa Riley



Mojos, Mermaids, Medicine, and 400 Years of Black Women's Magic with Dr. Lindsey Stewart

Thursday, February 5, 4:00pm–5:00pm

Thursday, February 12, 11:00am–12:00pm

Register at wascocountylibrary.com

COMPUTER ASSISTANCE

Wednesday, February 18
6:00 pm

Youth Writing Clubs

● Tweens ● Teens

Wednesday, February 4th
Tweens (9-12) 3:00-4:30
Teens (13-18) 4:30-6:00

Join a community of young writers! Share your work, learn how to give and receive feedback, explore new writing styles and prompts, and get inspired. Plus, enjoy snacks and good company while making new friends who love to write too!

Storytimes

Every Weekday
10:30

Monday
Buddies & Books

Tuesday
Baby Storytime

Wednesday
Giggles & Wiggles

Thursday
Playdough Storytime

Friday
Grow Along Storytime

Sensory-Friendly
Storytime
Tue, Feb 3, 5:30



● Kids
Tumi Tales with Tumi the Therapy Dog & Miss Kristen

Monday, January 5 3:30

Come read to Tumi the labradoodle!

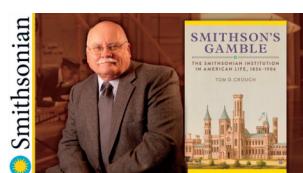
One-on-one reading helps kids gain confidence. Open to all kids from beginning readers to those looking to practice with a patient, furry listener.

Storytime at The Dalles Art Center

● Kids

Wed, Feb 25, 4:00

Settle in for colorful books, toe-tapping music, and hands-on crafts that spark creativity. Perfect for little artists and big imaginations—come read, sing, and make something magical with us!



Smithson's Gamble With Smithsonian Curator Emeritus Tom Crouch

Tuesday, February 24, 11:00am–12:00pm

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