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UPCOMING EVENTS

Tuesday, December 6

Angel Decorations Craft 3:30pm Kids Movie Night THE SMURFS 6pm

Wednesday, December 7

Story Time 10:15am
Mr. Harley Music Time 10:30am
Lego Fun 3:30pm
Bailey Yoga Night 6pm

Tuesday, December 13

Make a Tree Craft 3:30pm
Ben Thomas Speaking Event 6:30pm

Wednesday, December 14

Story Time 10:15am Lego Fun 3:30pm

Tuesday, December 20

Holiday Decorations Craft 3:30pm

Wednesday, December 21

Story Time 10:15am Mr. Harley Music Time 10:30am Lego Fun 3:30pm Bailey Title Waves 6pm

Tuesday, December 27

Snowmen Crafts 3:30pm

Wednesday, December 28

Story Time 10:15am Lego Fun 3:30pm

Saturday, December 31

Kids Classic Movie Afternoon 1pm Pocahontas

NEWS

-We are excited to announce a new Film Series, From the Book, that will run January-April and will feature the year's best "from the book" movies. The series will kick off January 31 at 5:30pm with The Help!

FEATURED EVENT:

Ben Thomas Dec 13 @ 6:30pm

WEE READ Reviews for the young and the young at heart. by Ann Darby

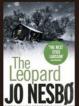


Swirl by Swirl: Spirals in Nature Written by Joyce Sidman Illustrations by Beth Krommes

There are hundreds of instances where spirals occur in the natural world. The Misses Sidman and Krommes's text and illustrations show us some beautiful and interesting examples:

Snakes and other animals underground that curl tightly against the cold weather. Spring ferns opening warm and green. The protective spiral shells of many sea creatures and land snails. Monkey tails used to grip and hold on. Spiders' spiral webs used to catch a meal. Plants, tornadoes and waves on the ocean are spirals too. If you take a look around you'll see that spirals are everywhere. Happy Holidays - give someone the gift of reading this season.

NOTABLE BOOKS COMING IN DECEMBER









The Leopard Jo Nesbo

The Devil's Elixir Raymond Khoury

RAYMOND

77 Shadow Street Dean Koontz

The Angel Makers Jessica Gregson

...from the desk of Shane Billings

When I was a senior in high school, I took AP English with Mrs. Taylor, one of the best teachers I've ever had. We read a lot of classics that year, everything from Jane Austen and Charles Dickens to Gabriel Garcia Marquez and Flannery O'Connor. It wasn't until May, however, that we tackled a novel called To the Lighthouse by Virginia Woolf. At that time, I knew only the basics about Woolf: that she was considered one of the greatest writers of the 20th Century, and had committed suicide. I took home To the Lighthouse on a Monday night, started reading after dinner, and didn't put the book down until close to eleven o'clock. I believe it was the first book I ever read in one sitting. I was captured by the stream of consciousness style that she and James Joyce are renowned for, because it allowed me a glimpse into the minds of an upper-class family on an island retreat, lives that could not have been more different from my own. Woolf's use of language is mesmerizing: she

use of language is mesmerizing; she captures the passage of time in a beautifully poetic manner. The novel's final act, when James makes his journey to the lighthouse as Lily Briscoe paints her masterpiece, is emotionally stirring. Moving people is one of the marks of a brilliant writer, and Woolf ranks among the greats. I marched into class the next day and told Mrs. Taylor that To The Lighthouse was the best book I'd ever read. She looked at me and said, "Well, I chose it with you in mind, dear." That meant a lot to me, and I'll forever be thankful to her for introducing me to a woman who remains one of my most treasured authors all these years later.



DECEMBER DVDS AT BAILEY:

Friends with Benefits, The Smurfs, The Help, The Debt, Rise of the Planet of the Apes, Kung Fu Panda 2, Warrior, Midnight in Paris, Dolphin Tale, Margin Call







