

# *This Month* at The Urbana Free Library

Rendering of library expansion by Ray Lytle.

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## Give the Gift of Reading

Still trying to think of a holiday gift for an avid reader, music fan, or movie buff who would love to use the library, but who lives outside of The Urbana Free Library's taxing district? Your search is over! Purchase a non-resident card and give a family a gift that will bring hours of enjoyment and will keep on giving throughout the year.

Your gift will entitle all members of a household to library cards – great for families! Non-resident cards may be purchased for one year or four months. We also will provide you with a gift letter to present to the new library cardholders notifying them of your generous gift.

To learn more about how to purchase a gift non-resident card, contact Circulation Services at 367-4057 or stop by the circulation desk.

## Give the Gift of Local History

The Champaign County Historical Archives has a number of publications for sale that make excellent gifts. Among these titles are:

- ***The Combined 1893, 1913 and 1929 Atlases of Champaign County, Illinois.*** A hardbound reprint of all three scarce plat book atlases, complete with an every-name index by Archives volunteers and staff. Third edition. \$48.38.
- ***From Salt Fork to Chickamauga: Champaign County Soldiers in the Civil War.*** Robert Behrens's book has sufficient detail to allow you to trace the history of anyone who served in a Champaign County unit. \$48.38.
- ***Ivesdale, A Photographic Essay,*** by Raymond Bial. The first of this local author's books of photographs, and only a few left at \$12.90.
- ***Upon a Quiet Landscape: The Photographs of Frank Sadorus.*** Only a handful of copies remain of this widely reviewed book. \$19.35.
- Reprints of Alexander Bowman's 1858 map of Urbana and West Urbana and his 1863 map of Champaign County. \$6 each.

To purchase a copy of one or more of the above publications or for more information, stop by the service desk at the Champaign County Historical Archives or call 367-4025.

## This Month's Events

**Library Gallery** – Framed prints provided by Heartland Gallery.

**Exhibit Case** – The art of Robert Chapman provided by Amara Yoga & Arts.

- 1** (Tu) - **Champaign County Lincoln Exhibits Committee.** Meeting. Satterthwaite Conference Room. 4:30-6:00 p.m.
- 1** (Tu) - **Girl Talk.** Fun and educational opportunities for teen girls co-sponsored by the University of Illinois Extension. Lewis Auditorium. 6:00-7:30 p.m.
- 1** (Tu) - **Friends of The Urbana Free Library.** Monthly meeting. Satterthwaite Conference Room. 7:00-8:30 p.m.
- 8** (Tu) - **Champaign County Genealogical Society.** Monthly meeting. Lewis Auditorium. 7:00-8:45 p.m.
- 8** (Tu) - **Urbana Free Library Board of Trustees.** Monthly meeting. Jean Evans Archives Room. 7:30-9:00 p.m.
- 9** (We) - **Research Night at the Archives.** Jean Evans Archives Room. 6:00-8:45 p.m.
- 10** (Th) - **Champaign County Lincoln Bicentennial Commission.** Meeting. Satterthwaite Conference Room. 11:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m.
- 12** (Sa) - **Champaign County Historical Archives Workshop Series: Using African American Newspapers to Fill Gaps in the Historical Record.** For registration information, contact the Champaign County Historical Archives at 367-4025. Lewis Auditorium. 10:00 a.m.-Noon.
- 20** (Su) - **UFLive!** concert series. **New Orleans Jazz Machine.** Escape the winter blues with swinging sounds of New Orleans-style jazz. Busey-Mills Reading Room. 2:00-3:30 p.m.
- 24 - 25** (Th - Fr) - **Library closed for Christmas Holiday.**
- 31** (Th) - **Library closes at 6:00 p.m. for New Year's Eve.**

## January 2010

- 1** (Fr) - **Library closed for New Year's Day.**

For a complete schedule and description of programs for children, pick up a copy of our **Children's Events** monthly calendar. For a complete schedule of all current and upcoming events at The Urbana Free Library, visit [urbanafreelibrary.org](http://urbanafreelibrary.org) and view the library's online events calendar.

## Jolly Holiday Programs for Kids and Their Families



There's no place like The UFL for the holidays – especially for our youngest library fans and their families! This December we'll have several events sure to get everyone in the spirit. From holiday stories to crafts and programs that ring in the New Year, come join us!

### Candy Christmas Trees

**Saturday, December 5 • 11:00 - 11:45 a.m. • Lewis Auditorium**

Make a delicious candy Christmas tree to take home. We'll also listen to stories and sing songs. This program is for children of all ages and their families.

### Holiday Origami

**Saturday, December 5 • 2:00 - 3:00 p.m. • Lewis Auditorium**

Have some holiday fun as we magically create holiday creations with paper. This program features arts and crafts for children of all ages and their families.

### Toddler Story Time: Snow

**Wednesday, December 9 • 10:30 - 11:00 a.m. • Lewis Auditorium**

**Monday, December 28 • 6:30 - 7:00 p.m. • Lewis Auditorium**

Tug on your boots and tromp over to the library for stories, songs, and a simple craft—all about snow. This program is for children ages 2–4 accompanied by an adult.

### Holiday Second Saturday Story Time

**Saturday, December 12 • 11:00 - 11:30 a.m. • Megan's Reading Room**

Join us for holiday stories at this very special story time. This program is for children of all ages and their families.

### Noon Year's Eve!

**Thursday, December 31 • 11:30 - 12:30 p.m. • Lewis Auditorium**

Ring in the “noon” year at this fun-filled celebration just for kids! This program is for children of all ages and their families.

# UFLive! Presents the New Orleans Jazz Machine

Sunday, December 20  
2:00 - 3:30 p.m.  
Busey-Mills Reading Room

Escape the winter blues and lift your spirits with the sweet sounds of an amazing local Dixieland sextet, the **New Orleans Jazz Machine**. Led by clarinetist and local favorite Carl Johnson, your toes will be tapping in no time as you listen to the group's unique blend of swinging New Orleans-style jazz.

All UFLive! concerts take place on the third Sunday of most months and are made possible by the generous support of The Urbana Free Library Foundation.



## Santas, Scrooges, In-laws, and Outlaws:

### A Christmas Film Collection at The Urbana Free Library

As the holidays arrive, many people ask about the library's collection of Christmas films. In response to this annual request, the staff of Adult Services have put together a Christmas film list entitled **Santas, Scrooges, In-laws, and Outlaws: A Christmas Film Collection at The Urbana Free Library**.

The comprehensive film list is grouped by subjects, which include **Santa Stories** – films about Santa Claus, imagination, and the power of believing; **Scrooges** – films adapted from and inspired by *A Christmas Carol* by Charles Dickens; **'Tis the Season** – films about the importance of family, friends, and the holidays; and **Christmas Crime** – films about Christmas criminals and monsters who do their best to ruin the most wonderful time of the year.

You can pick up a copy of **Santas, Scrooges, In-laws, and Outlaws** in the film selection area on the first floor and via the library website at [urbanafreelibrary.org](http://urbanafreelibrary.org).

Here's a sampling of titles from the list:

#### **A Christmas Story**

Melinda Dillon, Darren McGavin, 1983  
Ralphie wants an air rifle, but everyone he asks tells him, "You'll shoot your eye out, kid!"  
DVD / CHR

#### **Holiday Affair**

Robert Mitchum, Janet Leigh, 1949  
A mom is drawn to a stranger she unintentionally caused to be fired, which upsets her suitor, but delights her son.  
DVD / HOL

#### **The Nightmare Before Christmas**

1993  
Jack Skellington's attempt to bring Christmas to Halloween Town fails.  
DVD / NIG

#### **White Christmas**

Bing Crosby, Danny Kaye, 1954  
A song-and-dance duo team up with a sister act to save the failing Vermont inn of their former commanding officer.  
DVD / WHI

#### LIBRARY TELEPHONE NUMBERS

Circulation Services (renewals) .....	367-4057
Adult & Teen Services .....	367-4405
Children's Services .....	367-4069
Champaign Co. Historical Archives .....	367-4025
Administrative Offices .....	367-4058
TTY for hearing-impaired .....	367-4405

#### WEBSITE & ONLINE CATALOG

[urbanafreelibrary.org](http://urbanafreelibrary.org)

#### LIBRARY HOURS

Monday - Thursday	9 a.m. - 9 p.m.
Friday - Saturday	9 a.m. - 6 p.m.
Sunday	1 p.m. - 5 p.m.

#### ARCHIVES (LOCAL HISTORY & GENEALOGY)

Monday - Saturday	9 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Sunday	1 p.m. - 5 p.m.





**The Urbana Free Library  
The Friends of The Urbana Free Library  
The Urbana Free Library Foundation**

210 West Green Street, Urbana, Illinois 61801

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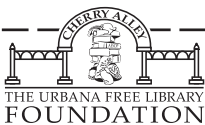
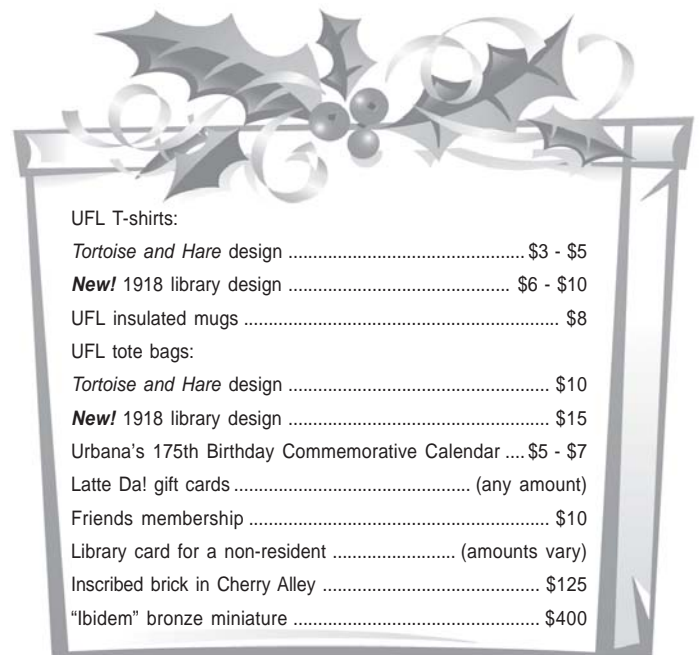
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## Give the Gift That Never Goes Out of Style

Do we have the perfect gift for The UFL fan or the book lover in your life! A new line of library T-shirts and tote bags, emblazoned with the classic façade of the 1918 library building. T-shirts are available in adult and children's sizes and in a variety of colors.

You'll find library gear for sale at the Latté Da! coffee shop – where you'll also find a delicious menu of traditional and seasonal drinks. And why not give someone a Latté Da! gift card? It's the perfect treat for anyone who loves The UFL and coffee, tea, or smoothies.

At Latté Da! you'll also find a selection of gently used books for sale from the Friends of The Urbana Free Library. Prices begin at \$2 – what a bargain!



**THE URBANA FREE LIBRARY FOUNDATION**

210 West Green Street • Urbana, Illinois 61801 • 217-367-4057 • [foundation@tufl.info](mailto:foundation@tufl.info)

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

### Brick Order:

Enclosed is my donation in the amount of:  \$ 125 per brick  
**SPECIAL 5 for 5 discount**  **\$ 500 for five bricks!**

**Brick Inscription:** Three lines centered with 13 characters per line, including spaces and punctuation. *The library reserves the right to approve inscriptions.*

### Sculpture Order:

Enclosed is my payment of \$400 for a cast bronze miniature of the new Cecilia Allen sculpture.



### Donations to the Arts at UFL:

Enclosed is my donation enclosed in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ for:

- Musical performances  Art  
 Landscaping  No preference

### Donations for Planned Giving:

I would like to receive information about remembering the Library in my will and/or other forms of planned giving.

**IMPORTANT:**  Check if you do NOT want your name/gift printed in Library or Foundation publications.

**Make checks payable to: The Urbana Free Library Foundation**

The Urbana Free Library Foundation is a tax-exempt 501(c)(3) organization. Your gift is tax deductible to the extent permitted by law. Additional forms are available in the library or on our website at [urbanafreelibrary.org/support\\_ufl/foundation](http://urbanafreelibrary.org/support_ufl/foundation)

# DECEMBER 2009

## Events for children and families at The Urbana Free Library

Most events take place in the Lewis Auditorium.  
Unless noted, registration is not required. All programs are free.

Children's Services 210 W. Green St., Urbana, Illinois 217.367.4069  
[urbanafreelibrary.org](http://urbanafreelibrary.org)  
Library Hours:  
Monday - Thursday: 9 a.m. - 9 p.m.  
Friday - Saturday: 9 a.m. - 6 p.m.  
Sunday: 1 p.m. - 5 p.m.

### BABIES' LAP TIME

Tuesdays, December 1, 8, 15, 22, and 29  
9:45 - 10:15 a.m.  
10:30 - 11:00 a.m.

#### Babies' Lap Time Moonlight Edition

Wednesday, December 2 and  
Monday, December 21  
6:30 - 7:00 p.m.

For children from birth to 2 years  
with an adult

This program of songs, books, and  
rhymes is for our youngest patrons.

### WEDNESDAY WII

Wednesday, December 2  
4:00 - 5:00 p.m.

For children in grades K through 5

Join the Wii generation and enjoy  
playing Mario Cart, Wii Sports, and  
more.



### PRESCHOOL STORY TIME

Thursdays, December 3, 10, 17,  
and 31  
9:45 - 10:15 a.m.

For preschool groups, children and  
their families

In this multimedia storytime, books,  
stories, songs, and more are all part  
of the fun!

### CANDY CHRISTMAS TREES

Saturday, December 5  
11:00 - 11:45 a.m.

For families

Get in the holiday spirit with stories  
and songs about Christmas trees.  
To add to the fun we will make a  
delicious candy Christmas tree,  
which you can take home.

### HOLIDAY ORIGAMI

Saturday, December 5  
2:00 - 3:00 p.m.

For families

Join us for holiday fun as we  
magically create Holiday origami.

### CHESS CLUB FOR KIDS

Saturdays, December 5, 12, and 19  
4:00 - 5:45 p.m.

For children who play chess or want  
to learn

Calling all kids! Would you like to  
learn chess, or are you a beginning  
or advanced chess player looking  
for an opportunity to improve your  
skills?

### TODDLER STORY TIME: SNOW

Wednesday, December 9  
10:30 - 11:00 a.m.

Monday, December 28  
6:30 - 7:00 p.m.

For children ages 2 - 4 with an adult

Put on your boots and your coat  
and tromp over for a storytime about  
snow-complete with books, songs,  
activities, and a simple craft.

### WRITE ON!

Thursday, December 10  
4:00 - 5:00 p.m.

For children in grade 3 and up  
Registration begins immediately

Sharpen your pencil and come to  
an afternoon workshop of creative  
writing with librarian Elaine Bearden.  
In November and December we  
will work with local comic creator  
James Krstulovich to create our own  
comics.

### HOLIDAY SECOND SATURDAY STORY TIME

Saturday, December 12  
11:00 - 11:30 a.m.

For families

Our December **Second Saturday  
Story Time** will have a special  
holiday theme. Come in for stories  
and songs.

### SPANISH STORY TIME

Saturday, December 12  
2:30 - 3:30 p.m.

For children of all ages, 7 and  
under with an adult

Hola! Join us for stories, songs,  
and activities in English and  
Spanish. This event is co-  
sponsored by the Center for  
Latin American & Caribbean  
Studies at the University of  
Illinois.

### MIDDLE EAST STORY TIME

Saturday, December 19  
2:00 - 3:00 p.m.

For families

Join Angela Williams from the  
Center for South Asian and Middle  
Eastern Studies for stories, music,  
and cultural activities that feature a  
selected region of the Middle East.

### NOON YEAR'S EVE!

Thursday, December 31  
11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

For families

Are you afraid you won't last till  
midnight to celebrate the New  
Year? Come celebrate with us  
at noon! We will count down the  
seconds until noon and ring in the  
New Year with stories, food, and  
fun!





### LIBRARY CLOSINGS

Closed all day:  
December 24 & 25

Close at 6 p.m. December 31  
Closed all day: January 1

# CHILDREN'S EVENTS

THE URBANA FREE LIBRARY  
 Children's Services • [urbanafreelibrary.org](http://urbanafreelibrary.org)  
**December 2009**

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		<b>1</b> Babies' Lap Time 9:45 - 10:15 a.m. 10:30 - 11:00 a.m.	<b>2</b> Wednesday Wii 4:00 - 5:00 p.m.  Babies' Lap Time: Moonlight Edition 6:30 - 7:00 p.m.	<b>3</b> Preschool Story Time 9:45 - 10:15 a.m.	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b> Candy Christmas Trees 11:00 - 11:45 a.m.  Holiday Origami 2:00 - 3:00 p.m.  Chess Club for Kids 4:00 - 5:45 p.m.
	<b>6</b>	<b>8</b> Babies' Lap Time 9:45 - 10:15 a.m. 10:30 - 11:00 a.m.	<b>9</b> Toddler Story Time: Snow 10:30 - 11:00 a.m.	<b>10</b> Preschool Story Time 9:45 - 10:15 a.m.  Write On! 4:00 - 5:00 p.m.	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b> Holiday Second Saturday Story Time 11:00 - 11:30 a.m. Spanish Story Time 2:30 - 3:30 p.m. Chess Club for Kids 4:00 - 5:45 p.m.
	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b> Babies' Lap Time 9:45 - 10:15 a.m. 10:30 - 11:00 a.m.	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b> Preschool Story Time 9:45 - 10:15 a.m.	<b>18</b>
<b>20</b>	<b>21</b> Babies' Lap Time: Moonlight Edition 6:30 - 7:00 p.m.	<b>22</b> Babies' Lap Time 9:45 - 10:15 a.m. 10:30 - 11:00 a.m.	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b> <b>LIBRARY CLOSED</b> Christmas Eve	<b>25</b> <b>LIBRARY CLOSED</b> Christmas Day	<b>26</b> 
<b>27</b>	<b>28</b> Toddler Story Time: Snow 6:30 - 7:00 p.m.	<b>29</b> Babies' Lap Time 9:45 - 10:15 a.m. 10:30 - 11:00 a.m.	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b> Preschool Story Time 9:45 - 10:15 a.m.  Noon Year's Eve! 11:30 - 12:30 p.m.		

\* registration required

For detailed information on these programs, see back.