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Story City Hours:

Monday	10 am—8 pm
Tuesday	10 am—8 pm
Wednesday	10 am—5 pm
Thursday	10 am—8 pm
Friday	10 am—5 pm
Saturday	10 am—5 pm
Sunday	1 pm—5 pm

Gilbert Hours:

Tuesdays	3—7:30 pm
Wednesdays	10 am—2 pm
Thursdays	3—7:30 pm
Saturday	10—12 pm



Bertha Bartlett Public Library

BBPL By-lines

NOTICE OF HOLIDAY HOURS:

**THE BERTHA BARTLETT PUBLIC LIBRARY WILL BE CLOSED ON
DECEMBER 24 AND 25. THE LIBRARY WILL CLOSE AT 5 PM ON
DECEMBER 31 AND WILL BE CLOSED ON JANUARY 1.**

**THE GILBERT LIBRARY WILL BE CLOSED ON
DECEMBER 25 AND JANUARY 1.**

Holiday Cheer at the Library During the Holidays

We know the weeks between Thanksgiving and New Year's Day can be full of good people, good food and goodwill. They can also be stressful, as we rush to buy gifts, deck the halls and spend as much time with family as possible.

Luckily, the library offers a little oasis from the hurry-hurry of the holidays, a place where you can quiet corner and a comfortable chair to unwind and let some of the festive frenzy pass you by, a place where you can browse with nary a dime in your pocket, a place to reconnect with others in peaceful conversation, a place to sit with your child or grandchild in your lap and be dazzled again by a tale of the season.

Here are just a few ways you can take advantage of the library during the holiday season:
Get holiday advice. Not only can you check out cookbooks and your favorite holiday DVDs at the library, you can find any number of DIY gift manuals. Pull the family together to create one-of-a-kind gifts to share with loved ones. Check out some holiday music to craft and bake by while you are here.

Catch the holiday spirit. We have a number of holiday-themed programs for the kids this month from storytimes to early-out programs to our homeschool hour.

Help a family in need. Because the holidays are a season of giving, consider stopping into the library to pay your fines—and give an extra \$1 or \$5 to help another family with their fines.

The holidays should be a time of joy, but they are often hectic and expensive. Using your library during the holidays can be a great way to get some gift advice, save some money, and help those in need. Take advantage of all your library has to offer this season, and have a happy holiday!



Fast Facts from Bertha B

Monthly Statistics from October 2018

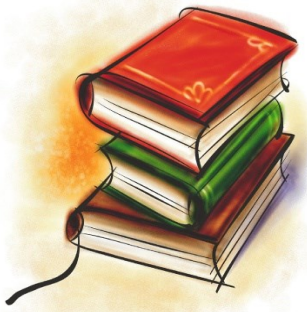
Items Checked Out	4,238
Patron Visits	246
eBooks	336
Downloadable Audio	288
Reference Questions	131
New Library Cards	10

REMINDER: Take care of your library materials! Please keep them away from pets, liquids and extreme temperatures.



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Happenings



The 6th Annual Extreme Gingerbread House Challenge for Tweens & Teens!

Wednesday, December 12, 2 pm

Think you have the skills to build the best gingerbread house in town? Put your talent to the test at our 6th Annual Gingerbread House Challenge for Tweens & Teens! Decorate your houses in teams of 2 or 3; creations will be on display at the library until after New Year's Eve.



Kids Of Our Library (KOOL)

Early-Out Fun for
K-4th Grades

December 12, 2 to 3 pm



**Hot Chocolate Science
Make an Ornament!**



**HOMESCHOOLERS
CONCATENATE:**

December 14 at 1 pm

FOAMING SNOW!

KOOL Makers Club

Weekly After-School Fun
for K-4th Grades

Tuesdays, 3:45-4:30



KOOL Maker's Club is an after-school program for kids in kindergarten through 4th grades. We'll explore STEM and makerspace activities and learn more about the library.

Storytime meets weekly in both Story City and Gilbert.
preschool Storytime in Story City on Fridays, 10:30 am
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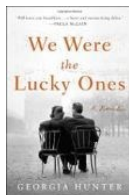


Bartlett Book Club

Monday, December 17, 2-3 pm
Kinne Wing

We Were the Lucky Ones

By Georgia Hunter



Timberland Book Club

1st Thursday, 2 pm

Timberland Village Conference Room

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Fridays, 10 am, BBPL Kinne Wing

