**Kids of All Ages**

**Storytimes**

**Peoria Public Library**

**MONDAY January 15**

in honor of

**Martin Luther King, Jr. Day**

North Branch always closed Tuesdays

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**All locations of Peoria Public Library will be CLOSED**

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**Storytimes**

Tuesday, January 2, 9, 23 & 30 – Lincoln Branch
Terrific Tattletale Storytime – 10:00-10:30 a.m.
Ages 3 to 6.

Wednesday, January 3, 10, 17, 24 & 31
Lakeview Branch – 10:15-10:45 a.m.
Monday, January 8, 22 & 29
North Branch – 10:30-11:00 a.m.
Tiny Tots Storytime
Ages 12 to 23 months.

Wednesday, January 3, 10, 17, 24 & 31
North Branch
Brainy Baby Storytime – 1:30-2:00 p.m.
Develop your baby’s pre-literacy skills with this laplap program, designed to introduce children and their caregivers to books, songs, rhymes and finger plays that will help them understand new concepts and enhance their love of learning. Caregivers will be encouraged to engage their child through one-on-one interactions, making reading time fun. Age 0 to 23 months.

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**Visit us on the web at** [www.peoriapubliclibrary.org](http://www.peoriapubliclibrary.org)
**Storytimes**

*January – Main Library*

Crafts-to-Go – 9:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m.
In a hurry? Can’t stay and craft? Get your crafts to go. Kids ages 5 through 12 can pick up a craft packet at the 1st Floor Information Desk any time we’re open. Ask for a Craft-to-Go, take it home and the fun begins.

*January 5 – McClure Branch*

Winter Break Movies – 2:00-4:00 p.m.
Are you looking for something to do with the last week of Winter Break? Enjoy these winter-themed movies at the McClure Branch! We’ll provide the hot chocolate. Outside snacks are welcome, as long as they stay in the McClure Room.

- January 2: Snow Day
- January 3: Happy Feet 1
- January 4: Happy Feet 2
- January 5: Frozen

*Friday, January 5, 12, 19 & 26 – McClure Branch*

Friday Game Night – 4:00-5:00 p.m.
Looking for a place to stay warm and have some fun? Come to the library to play video, board, tabletop or card games, and more! Light snacks and drinks provided.

**Early Learners**

*January – All locations*

1,000 Books Before Kindergarten Read any 1,000 books to your child before they enter kindergarten and earn prizes for every 100 books they read. Sign up at any Peoria Public Library location. Details are given at the time of signup.

*Friday, January 19 – McClure Branch*

Toddler Play Zone – 10:15-11:15 a.m.
Join us for a special playgroup for toddlers to interact with other kids, play with educational toys, and read books with their parents. Ages 2 to 4.

**Grade School**

*January, January 8 – North Branch*

Storytime Lab – 1:30-2:00 p.m.
Join us for stories about early concepts in science, technology, engineering, art, and math followed by hands-on exploration! Ages 3 to 6.

*Saturday, January 27 – Lakeview Branch*

Sensory Storytime – 10:15-11:00 a.m.
Sensory Storytime features books, activities, and music designed to engage the senses, with part of each session reserved for sensory play and socialization for children with autism or other special needs. Geared for younger children, but children of all abilities, families, and siblings are encouraged to attend. Pillows and ear muffs are available.

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STEAM Explorations – 4:30-5:30 p.m.
Discover the Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Math topics that are all around us! This month we will be exploring forensic science. Ages 5 to 8.

*Monday, January 8 – Lincoln Branch*

Front & Center: Edible Science Experiments 4:30-5:30 p.m.
It’s fun to eat what you create! Join us as we do cool science experiments that you can eat! Ages 5 to 10.

*Wednesday, January 10 – North Branch*

STEAM Adventures – 4:30-5:30 p.m.
If you enjoy Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Mathematics, then this is your chance to dig a little deeper! This month we will be investigating DNA. Ages 9 to 12.

**Middle School / High School**

*Thursday, January 18 – North Branch*

Teen Craft: Sculpting – 4:00-4:45 p.m.
Get inspired by Sculpture Walk Peoria 2017! After a virtual tour of the pieces on display in the Warehouse District, we’ll sculpt our own masterpieces—on a much smaller scale. Ages 11 to 18.

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Winter Reading Challenges
Unearth hidden gems this winter as you complete these winter reading challenges! Complete the required challenges for your age group and return your reading log to any branch to choose your prize from the box of treasures. By turning in your log you’ll also be entered to win a $10 gift card (one winner from each branch) and the library-wide grand prize: a Kindle Fire HD tablet.

*January – Lakeview Branch & McClure Branch*

Around the Library Reading Challenge
Pick up a challenge sheet at the Information Desk and read your way through the non-fiction side of the library! Read a book from each part of the Dewey Decimal System and be entered to win a $10 gift card to Barnes and Noble! One winner from three different age ranges. Open to readers of all ages.

*January – North Branch*

Trivia Master Challenge
Life is full of mysteries, and the library has the answers! Each week, there’s a new question and a new chance to win. Find the answer to a riddle in a library book, enter to win a prize, and become a Trivia Master! Children of all ages.

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**WINTER READING**

Sunday, December 31 through Monday, January 1 for the New Year’s Holiday

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