

After Christmas, check out new choices

Fa la la la la, la la la la, it's Christmas! We get to take time and celebrate here at the library.

Today was the last day to get books before we close for the holidays. The library will be closed through Sunday. Remember we have numerous video disks and tapes with Christmas and holiday themes, as well as audio books.

And speaking of video disks, we have six new DVDs: "The Great Gatsby," by A&E Television Network; an academy award winning movie, "To Kill a Mockingbird," by Universal; a child's DVD, "Word World: Pirate Sheep," a PBS Kids Production; "Olivia Takes Ballet," by Nickelodeon; "Tigger & Pooh and Musical Too," by Disney; and "Handy Manny: Big Race," by Disney.

We have four new junior fiction items as well: "Runaway," by Meg Cabot; "The Sisters Club: Rule of Three," by Megan McDonald; "Incarceron," by Catherine Fisher; and "Entice," by Carrie Jones.

Three books from author Tamera Alexander have arrived as well, all award winners. The

Senior Center

Monday and Friday, Dec. 31, the Senior Progress Center will be closed. There will be no meals or bus services on those days.

Activities for the week: **Tuesday:** 10 a.m. exercise, 10:30 a.m. dart game. **Wednesday:** 10:30 a.m. pinocle game. **Thursday:** 10 a.m. exercise; snack day.

Menus for the week: **Tuesday:** Salisbury steak, mashed potatoes with gravy, seasoned carrots, bread, pears. **Wednesday:** chicken vegetable casserole, mandarin oranges, biscuit, cook's choice complement. **Thursday:** cheesy potato soup, pineapple cheese salad, crackers, cinnamon roll.

The Thomas County Nutrition Center invites anyone 60 and older and guests to lunch at the senior center. Home delivery is available, as is pick-up service. A contribution of \$3 per meal is suggested for seniors, \$5.25 for others.

Make reservations at (784) 460-2901 by noon the day before.



Melany Wilks

Library Links

first, "From a Distance," has won the 2009 Christy Award for Best Historical Romance. The second, "Beyond This Moment," won the 2010 Gayle Wilson Award for Inspirational-Single Title and the Holt Medallion for Long Inspirational, and was a finalist for the 2010 Christy. The third book, "Within My Heart," was published in 2010 so has not had the time to really rack up the awards.

"Within My Heart" is about Rachel, a young widow with two children struggling to keep her ranch in the difficult environment of the Colorado Rockies. A new local physician wants to help her when things get really tight, but she does not trust him or what physicians stand for. Then, a turn of events in town makes Rachel re-evaluate her beliefs. You will enjoy this book.

A science fiction book is "The

Skin Map," by Stephen R. Lawhead. In this, the first book of *A Bright Empires Novel* series, Kit Livingstone is suddenly transported back in time. He meets an old man who knows everything about him. Funny thing is, it's his great-grandfather.

Kit learns it is his job to help bring back together the vital pieces of a map left by Arthur Flinders-Petrie. There are others, however, who want to thwart him and change history. Kit must win this epic fight. Lawhead writes easily and this will be a captivating book for you to read.

A new western is "The Book of Murdock," by Spur Award-winning author Loren D. Estleman. Lawman Page Murdock decides the only way to infiltrate a small town in the Texas Panhandle is to become a minister. He dons robes and poses as a "brother" in the Church of Evangelical Truth. He finds navigating this pure trail a bit troubling when ladies from his past arrive. He also must prepare weekly sermons for his parishioners while toting a gun. He's no angel by any stretch, but you may find him better than the bandits.

A second western, "Whiskey

Kills: A Killstraight Story," is written by Johnny D. Boggs, another Spur Award winner. Metal Shirt, or Daniel Killstraight, is of Comanche heritage. He has been tasked by the law-enforcement white men over the reservation for the Kiowas, Comanches and Apaches to find out who is selling whiskey to the natives.

Metal Shirt cannot arrest a white man and has no legal authority off the reservation. This brings him into considerable danger. You will enjoy the intrigue.

Other new westerns include: "Trail's End," by Mack Curlee; "Ambush Creek," by Phil Dunlap; "Montana Dawn," by Stone Wallace; "Dusty Barnett," by James Clay; "Texas Standoff," by Elmer Kelton; and "Johnny Montana," by Michael Zimmer.

The Pioneer Memorial Library will have a different schedule next week after Christmas; our hours will be 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. during the school break, from Monday to Friday, Jan. 31.

We will be closed on Saturday, Jan. 1, to mark the New Year. Please plan to check out your items early. Have a very Merry Christmas! See you in the library!

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